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REPORT RE:

DRAFT ORDINANCE DISSOLVING COMMUNITY TAXING DISTRICT NO. 2 AND REPEALING AUTHORIZATION TO LEVY SPECIAL TAXES WITHIN COMMUNITY TAXING DISTRICT NO. 2 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A HOTEL AND PARKING STRUCTURE WITHIN THE GRAND AVENUE PROJECT

The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Room 395, City Hall 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to the request of the City Council, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance dissolves Community Taxing District No. 2 (CTD No. 2) and repeals the authority to levy any Special Taxes within CTD No. 2.

Background

On December 5, 2008, the City Council adopted an Ordinance of Formation (Ordinance No. 180402), which established City of Los Angeles Community Taxing District No. 2, to pay for a portion of the costs of constructing a hotel and parking structure and related facilities within the Grand Avenue Project under the Special Tax improvement Ordinance of the City of Los Angeles, Chapter 10 of Division 6 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

On December 13, 2016, Council approved various agreements related to the development of the Grand Avenue Project, including the Grand Avenue Hotel Incentive

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Agreement (HDIA). The HDIA has been fully executed and provides for the City to fund the previously approved financial assistance as a yearly conditional obligation payable through a trust fund rather than through CTD No. 2.

On April 19, 2017, Council adopted an ordinance establishing the Grand Avenue Hotel Project Trust Fund for the receipts and disbursement of appropriations to fund hotel development inventive payments to be made by the City in relation to the Grand Avenue Hotel Development Project. The Council also directed the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance to repeal CTD No. 2.

The enclosed draft ordinance dissolves CTD No. 2 as directed. Additionally, although no Special Taxes have been assessed or collected, the draft ordinance repeals the authority to levy the Special Taxes within CTD No. 2.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Chief Legislative Analyst, the City Administrative Officer and the Economic and Workforce Development Department, and their comments have been incorporated.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Senior Assistant City Attorney Noreen Vincent at (213)978-7730 or Deputy City Attorney Miguel Dager at (213)978-7740. They or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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