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Council File No.

April 9, 2014

To All Interested Parties:

Chief Legislative Analyst

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under
Council File No. 14-0002-S13, at its meeting held April 1, 2014.

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SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 14-0002-S13

COUNCIL DISTRICT _____

COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE April 1, 2014

RE: CITY'S POSITION TO SUPPORT RAISING THE PUBLIC SERVICE CAP FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT APR 14 2014
[10 Day Charter requirement as per Charter Section 231(h)]

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - FOR MAYOR USE ONLY

APPROVED
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*DISAPPROVED

*Transmit objections in writing pursuant to Charter Section 231 (h)

DATE OF MAYOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL 4/8/14

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RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the City's position to support raising the public service cap for Community Development Block Grant funds.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Resolution (Price - Fuentes, et al.), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying revised RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2013-14 Federal Legislative Program SPONSORSHIP and/or SUPPORT of legislation and/or any administrative action that would raise the public service cap for Community Development Block Grant funds.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst. The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its regular meeting of March 21, 2014, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a CLA report and Resolution relative to the City's position to support raising the public service cap for Community Development Block Grant funds. The CLA report, attached to the Council file, provides a summary and background information. Further, the CLA report includes a revised Resolution with updated information that also clarifies the City's position on this matter. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying revised Resolution. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE



MEMBER **VOTE**
WESSON: YES
HUIZAR: ABSENT
LABONGE: YES

ADOPTED

APR 01 2014

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the poverty rate in Los Angeles is higher than any other major American City; and

WHEREAS, several poverty programs in Los Angeles are funded through the Consolidated Plan, which includes Community Development Block Grants (CDBG); and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles is limited in the amount of public service activities it can provide with CDBG funds due to a 15 percent public service cap; and

WHEREAS, other large cities, such as Seattle, Baltimore, and Chicago have a higher public service cap and are able to spend a larger percentage of CDBG funds on public service activities; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles has for several years funded Community Based Development Organizations (CBDO) with CDBG funds through the Consolidated Plan, including FamilySource Centers, Summer Night Lights, and Clean and Green programs; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Urban Development Department recently issued a letter to inform City of Los Angeles that it was not interpreting CBDO guidelines correctly, and CBDO activities would need to be funded under the public service category which is already at its limit; and

WHEREAS, residents of the City rely on these CBDOs and the CDBG money to receive many public services, and any cuts to these programs will be detrimental to the non-profits and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, an increase to the public service cap for Los Angeles' CDBG would ensure that vital services are not lost;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-2014 Federal Legislative Program SPONSORSHIP and/or SUPPORT of legislation and/or any administrative action that would raise the public service cap Community Development Block Grant funds.

I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING
RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
AT ITS REGULAR MEETING ON APR 01 2014
BY A MAJORITY OF ALL ITS MEMBERS.



HOLLY L. WOLCOTT
INTERIM CITY CLERK
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