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Council File No.

November 21, 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-S101, at its meeting held November 14, 2014.



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SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 14-0002-S101

COUNCIL DISTRICT _____

COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE November 14, 2014

RE: ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S POSITION REGARDING LEGISLATION OR REGULATORY ACTION THAT RECOGNIZES THE CITY'S SOLAR INCENTIVE PROGRAM, OR SIMILAR SOLAR NETMETERING PROGRAMS, AS PORTFOLIO CONTENT CATEGORY 1 ELIGIBLE UNDER THE STATE'S RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD COMPLIANCE RULES

LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT NOV 24 2014
[10 Day Charter requirement as per Charter Section 231(h)]

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

DATE OF MAYOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL NOV 21 2014

Herb Wasson
MAYOR

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RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to establishing the City's position regarding the City's Solar Incentive Program (SIP) and Portfolio Content Category 1 eligibility.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Fuentes - Blumenfield), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for legislation/regulatory action that recognizes the City's SIP, or similar solar net-metering programs, as Portfolio Content Category 1 eligible under the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard compliance rules, thereby promoting local solar development and improving the environmental health and welfare of the City and region.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its special meeting of November 12, 2014, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered Resolution (Fuentes - Blumenfield) and a CLA report relative to establishing the City's position regarding legislation or regulatory action that recognizes the City's SIP, or similar solar net-metering programs, as Portfolio Content Category 1 eligible under the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard compliance rules. The CLA report, attached to the Council file, provides additional background information and a summary of the Resolution.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolution. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE



MEMBER VOTE
WESSON: YES
HUIZAR: YES
LABONGE: ABSENT

ADOPTED

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

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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 government 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, on July 11, 2014, the California Energy Commission (CEC) held a workshop on *Amending the CEC's Enforcement Procedures for the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) for Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities (POUs)*; and

WHEREAS, the workshop explored whether power generation from a solar net-metering system, or other RPS facility owned or procured by a POU, should qualify as "Portfolio Content Category 1" under the state's RPS compliance rules; and

WHEREAS, the state's RPS rules provides for three compliance "Portfolio Content Categories" with "Portfolio Content Category 1" being the most advantageous for regulated utilities since it provides the highest compliance credit; and

WHEREAS, the DWP's Solar Incentive Program (SIP), which is a solar net-metering program, provides incentives for residential and commercial customers to install solar photovoltaic systems on their facilities; and

WHEREAS, the DWP offers a premium to SIP participants, in addition to standard incentives, in order to claim the electricity generation and the associated renewable energy credits (RECs) to help the Department meet compliance goals; and

WHEREAS, the SIP has enabled the successful installation of over 112 MWs of electricity generation capacity throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, under the state's current RPS compliance rules, the SIP and similar net-metering programs fall within "Portfolio Content Category 3" which provides the lowest compliance credit; and

WHEREAS, the "Portfolio Content Category 3" designation severely diminishes the value of these systems and limits the expansion of effective and thriving solar net-metering programs; and

WHEREAS, the DWP has advised the CEC to consider qualifying the SIP and similar programs as "Portfolio Content Category 1" eligible in order for the City to effectively meet its RPS compliance goals; and

WHEREAS, a "Portfolio Content Category 1" designation for SIP would also promote local solar development and increase local renewable energy that reduces greenhouse gases;

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 2015-2016 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for legislation or regulatory action that recognizes the City's Solar Incentive Program (SIP), or similar solar net-metering programs, as "Portfolio Content Category 1" eligible under the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard compliance rules, thereby promoting local solar development and improving the environmental health and welfare of the City and region.

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

PRESENTED BY: *[Signature]*
FELIPE FUENTES
Council member, 7th District

SECONDED BY: *[Signature]*

TO THE MAYOR FORTHWITH

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