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EXEMPTION, PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a procedure for appeals to the Council from environmental determinations by certain nonelected decisionmakers.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. DETERMINE that the project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(2) and (3) as it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; and, that this project is covered by CEQA's common sense exemption, which provides that, where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA (Guideline section 15061(b) (3)).
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated May 6, 2019, adding Article 4 to Chapter XIX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish a procedure pursuant to Section 21151(c) of the California Public Resources Code for appeals to the Council from environmental determinations by certain nonelected decisionmakers.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on June 19, 2019, your Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee considered a City Attorney report and Ordinance relative to establishing a procedure for appeals to the Council from environmental determinations by certain nonelected decisionmakers. An opportunity for public comment was held. After further discussion of the matter, the Committee moved to approve the Ordinance as presented by the City Attorney, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RYU:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
O'FARRELL	ABSENT
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

ME 6/19/19