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PUBLIC WORKS & GANG REDUCTION

**MOTION**

Downtown Los Angeles is a vibrant and attractive twenty-four hour place to live, work and play. It is home to the City's central business district, a variety of residential communities and a sprawling entertainment and sports complex. Visitors to Downtown LA are attracted to the numerous restaurants, entertainment activities and special events taking place there.

Special events, particularly those that promote pedestrian activity, tourism and public celebrations, have contributed to the recent boom in economic, social and civic activity Downtown. However, this increased activity has led to a greater challenge in coordinating all of these events. For example, many events such as long-distance runs, festivals and other celebrations, have the potential to disrupt traffic and impede necessary access if they are not properly communicated and executed.

Currently, the Department of Transportation is reviewing and updating the Public Way Reservation System (PWRS) to enable enhanced permitting integration, coordination, notification and conflict identification of all events that occur in the public right-of-way (ROW). In order to complement the Department of Transportation's efforts in enhancing the interdepartmental coordination and integration of events that occur in the ROW, it is necessary to also examine the Bureau of Street Service's (BSS) Special Events approval process.

In areas with a high frequency of events, it may be valuable to involve Neighborhood Councils or other community stakeholders in this coordination and planning.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the Board of Public Works report on how the BSS Special Events approval process for events proposed in Downtown Los Angeles considers Neighborhood Council and other stakeholder input.

**I FURTHER MOVE** that effective immediately, all City departments be required to notify any affected Council District immediately upon the commencement of any discussions and/or upon receipt of any information of potential special events within the District.

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