



February 3, 2016

Honorable Los Angeles City Council
c/o: Office of the City Clerk
200 N. Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, California 90012

Reference: Council File #14-0600-S223

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Dear Honorable Councilmembers:

Los Angeles Zoo
5333 Zoo Drive
Los Angeles
California 90027
323/644-4200
Fax 323/662-9786
<http://www.lazoo.org>

SUMMARY:

Request to extend current Zoo concessions contract, set to expire February 11, 2016, to August 31, 2016.

Eric Garcetti
Mayor

BACKGROUND:

On September 23, 2014, the City Council instructed the Zoo Department to report back in 30 days in regard to a concessions contract and the Zoo's staffing and funding needs required to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for concessions. On December 12, 2014 the Zoo Department submitted this report to Arts, Parks, Health, Aging and River Committee. At the February 1, 2016 Arts, Parks and Rivers Committee meeting this item was heard and the City Attorney's Office was asked to prepare an amendment to the 1987 Operating Agreement between the Los Angeles Zoo and the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association relating to the 1980 Concession Agreement extending the current concessions contract, due to expire February 11, 2016 to August 31, 2016. The Committee agreed this would be an appropriate amount of time to review the current agreement and determine future course of action.

David E. Ryu
Council Member
4th District

Zoo Commissioners

Karen B. Winnick
President

Bernardo Silva
Vice President

Yasmine Johnson

Tyler Kelley

Marc Mitchell

Richard Lichtenstein
ex officio member

CONCLUSION:

That the City Council approved the attached Amendment, as prepared by the City Attorney's Office, to the 1997 Operating Agreement between the Los Angeles Zoo and the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association relating to the 1980 Concession Agreement extending the current concessions contract, due to expire February 11, 2016 to August 31, 2016.

John R. Lewis
Zoo Director

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. LEWIS
Zoo Director

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