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February 4, 2015

To All Interested Parties:

**Chief Legislative Analyst** 

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File No. <u>15-0002</u>, at its meeting held <u>January 28, 2015</u>.

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### SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 15-0002	COUNCIL DISTRICT	
COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE January 28, 2015		
RE: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CITY'S 2015-16 STATE A	AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS	
LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT FEB 0 9 2015  [10 Day Charter requirement as per Charter Section 231(h)]		
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RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTIONS relative to recommendations for the City's 2015-16 State and Federal Legislative Programs.

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

- ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS recommending legislative positions to include in the City's 2015-16 State Legislative Program as submitted by the Department of Transportation a) Delegate Initial Reviews of Parking Citations to (Contracted) Processing Agency; b) Vulnerable Roadway Users; c) Installment Payment for Parking Violations; d) Prohibit Superior Court appeals of parking citations if there was no administrative hearing decision; e) Prohibit Small Claims Court jurisdiction over parking citation disputes; f) Parking Regulations - Scofflaws/Unpaid Parking Citations; and g) Inoperable Parking Meters - Repeal of Assembly Bill (AB) 61 (Gatto).
- 2. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS to include in the City's 2015-2016 Federal Legislative Program positions as submitted by the Economic and Workforce Development Department to SPONSOR and/or SUPPORT a) the Modernizing American Manufacturing Bonds Act or similar legislation to modernize Industrial Development Bonds including an expanded definition of manufacturing and an increase in bond and capital expenditure limitations; b) the continuation of the EB-5 Visa Program beyond September 2015; and, c) legislation to establish within the US Department of Treasury a Youth Jobs Fund, with adequate funding appropriation to support summer youth programs.
- 3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS to include in the City's 2015-2016 State Legislative Program positions as submitted by the Economic and Workforce Development Department to SPONSOR and/or SUPPORT a) the establishment of Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities and/or any similar legislation to provide financing and implementation tools to address blighting conditions within the City of Los Angeles; and, b) a California New Markets Tax Credit program that is allocated to local clearing houses similar to the federal program.
- 4. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS to include in the City's 2015-2016 State Legislative Program positions as submitted by the Department of Recreation and Parks to SPONSOR and/or SUPPORT legislation or administrative action that would a) Provide funding for safe neighborhood parks, rivers and coastal protection for the creation, maintenance, restoration and protection of parks and recreation facilities; and b) Amend the State Quimby Act to address the administration and use of interest income generated from in-lieu fees and allow local jurisdictions to adopt policies regarding interest income expenditures.
- 5. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2015-2016 Federal Legislative Program as submitted by the Housing and Community Investment Department SUPPORT for legislation or administrative action to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent and expand the minimum tax credit rate for the low-income housing tax credit program.

6. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS to include in the City's 2015-2016 State Legislative Program as submitted by the Housing and Community Investment Department SUPPORT for legislation or administrative action that would a) Create a permanent source of funding for affordable housing; and b) Provide legislative clarification that would allow the mandate of rent restrictions on inclusionary units.

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 January 23, 2015, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered CLA reports and Resolutions relative to recommendations for the City's 2015-16 State and Federal Legislative Programs as submitted by the Departments of Transportation, Economic and Workforce Development, Recreation and Parks, and Housing and Community Investment. The CLA reports and Resolutions, attached to the Council file, provide additional background information. After consideration and providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolutions. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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**MEMBER** 

VOTE

WESSON:

YES

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**ABSENT** 

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YES

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### **MOTION**

I HEREBY MOVE that Council AMEND the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Report relative to recommendations for the City's 2015-16 State and Federal Legislative Programs (Item No. 26, Council file No. 15-0002) as follows:

REMOVE Recommendation No. 1(g), Inoperable Parking Meters – Repeal of Assembly Bill 61 (Gatto); and, REFER it back to the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee for further consideration.

PRESENTED BY

BOB BLUMENFIELD Councilmember, 3rd District

SECONDED BY

MIKE BONIN Councilmember, 11th District

January 28, 2015

CF 15-0002

**ADOPTED** 

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#### MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Report relative to recommendations for the 2015-2016 Federal and State Legislative Programs, Item 26 on today's Council Continuation Agenda (CF 15-0002), BE AMENDED to instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department to further report on policy issues associated with amendments to SB 628 (Beall) which authorized the creation of Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts, including any proposed legislative policies for consideration in the City's 2015-2016 State Legislative Program.

PRESENTED BY

GILBERT CEDILLO Councilmember, 1st District

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**ADOPTED** 

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WHEREAS, any 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 California Vehicle Code (CVC) is ambiguous as to an issuing agency's ability to delegate initial reviews of contested parking citations to a private contractor (CVC 40200.5 and 40215(a)); and

WHEREAS, the City has outsourced initial reviews of parking citations for approximately three decades; and

WHEREAS, in September 2014, the City was successfully sued regarding delegation of certain activities in the initial review phase of the citation contestation process; and

WHEREAS, if the Court lifts its Stay of Judgement or the CVC is not amended, the fiscal impact to the City will be significant;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would realign/clarify California Vehicle Code (CVC) Sections 40200.5 and 40215(a) to explicitly allow the delegation of the initial reviews of contested parking citations to a private contractor.

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WHEREAS, there is a lack of safety on the roadway for bicyclists, pedestrians and the disabled due to high volumes of fast moving motor vehicle traffic; and

WHEREAS, many motorists believe that bicyclists and other individuals using the roadway other than in a vehicle should yield to cars or move out of the way; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to extend greater protections to users of the roadways who are more vulnerable to severe injury and death in the event of a traffic collision;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would provide a definition of vulnerable roadway users and require motorists to take specific steps to ensure that they are protected.

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WHEREAS, the California Vehicle Code (CVC) currently provides for an Installment Payment Plan (IPP) for payment of parking citations only after conclusion of an appeal through an administrative hearing; and

WHEREAS, this requirement results in individuals who seek an IPP to proceed through the administrative hearing process, inconveniencing the public and creating administrative costs for the City; and

WHEREAS, to address this issue, the CVC should be amended to allow parking agencies to opt into a program that allows a parking violation recipient to enter into an IPP at any state of contesting a violation, or, in lieu of contesting the violation; and

WHEREAS, extending the option of an IPP at the front end of the citation process, or at any point in the appeal process, may decrease the number of unpaid parking violations and consequences associated with them based on more easily providing the ability to pay over time; and

WHEREAS, the proposal would also reduce the number of citation hearings because many hearings currently occur in order to receive IPP approval, thus saving the City administrative costs;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would amend the California Vehicle Code Section 40215(c)(7) to allow a contestant or recipient of a parking violation to enter into an installment payment plan at any stage of contesting the violation, or, in lieu of contesting the violation.

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WHEREAS, the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Sections 40215 and 40230 provide for three reviews when a parking citation is disputed; an initial review by City employees, an administrative review by a hearing examiner and a de novo review in Superior Court; and

WHEREAS, some individuals attempt to circumvent this process by filing cases purporting to contest their citations prematurely in Superior Court without first exhausting prescribed administrative procedures; and

WHEREAS, the City has been able to prevail in such situations, but only after drafting and filing briefs with the Superior Court, which is a costly and inefficient use of the City's scarce transportation resources; and

WHEREAS, the CVC should be amended to expressly and clearly prohibit court filings including appeals of parking citations, or original actions, unless and until there has been a decision in an administrative hearing;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would amend the California Vehicle Code Section 40230 clearly prohibiting the Superior Court from hearing parking citation appeals unless both an initial review and an administrative hearing have already been conducted.

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WHEREAS, the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Sections 40215 and 40230 state that parking citations are disputed by an initial review and administrative hearing within the local jurisdiction issuing the citation, which may be followed by a single appeal to the Superior Court, and no further review; and

WHEREAS, some individuals attempt to circumvent this process by filing cases purporting to contest their citations in Small Claims Court: and

WHEREAS, opposing these actions can be excessively burdensome and costly to local jurisdictions and ignoring them can result in unjustified dismissal of citations; and

WHEREAS, Small Claims Court commissioners or judges are often unfamiliar with parking citations and may not be aware of the jurisdictional issues nor the differences between a legitimate appeal and a wrongful small claims filing;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would amend California Vehicle Code Sections 40215 and 40230 and Code of Civil Procedure Section 116.226 by expressly prohibiting jurisdiction of Small Claims Court over parking citation disputes.

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WHEREAS, the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 22651 provides for the seizure of a vehicle if it has five or more unpaid parking violations that have gone into penalty; and

WHEREAS, a vehicle that is subject to seizure for unpaid parking tickets is commonly referred to as being in scofflaw status; and

WHEREAS, the current requirement of five unpaid citations is overly lenient and discourages compliance with parking regulations; and

WHEREAS, revising the threshold from five unpaid citations to three unpaid citations would encourage those with parking fines to pay the outstanding amounts and allow cities to increase citizen compliance with parking regulations;

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program SUPPORT or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would amend the California Vehicle Code to reduce the threshold required to seize a vehicle from five unpaid parking citations to three unpaid parking citations.

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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 manufacturing sector is an important sector of the economy and a key source of employment in the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, federal Industrial Development Bonds have provided an important source of finance to manufacturing businesses looking to expand or invest in existing infrastructure and have proven to be an essential economic development tool for the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the manufacturing sector has evolved over time to include intangible products in industries such as biotechnology, energy generation, software, design and formula development, and intellectual property as well as traditional tangible products; and

WHEREAS, federal regulations for Industrial Development Bond financing have not kept pace with inflation or changes in the products produced or in the facilities required by the modern manufacturing sector; and

WHEREAS, the "Modernizing American Manufacturing Bonds Act," previously introduced as H.R. 5319 (Hultgren), would have expanded the definition of manufacturing to include both tangible and intangible manufacturing production, modify restrictions on manufacturing facilities, increase the maximum bond size limitation from \$10 million to \$30 million, and increase the capital expenditure limitation from \$20 million to \$40 million; and

WHEREAS, the "Modernizing American Manufacturing Bonds Act," would have accounted for inflation and address changes within the manufacturing sector to allow for greater reinvestment in the manufacturing sector in the City of Los Angeles;

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 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT and/or SPONSORSHIP of the Modernizing American Manufacturing Bonds Act or similar legislation to update Industrial Development Bonds including an expanded definition of manufacturing and an increase in bond and capital expenditure limitations.

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WHEREAS, in 1990, Congress created the EB-5 Visa Program to benefit the U.S. economy by attracting investments from qualified foreign investors, including incentives for investment in defined areas of high unemployment; and

WHEREAS, the EB-5 program provides a method of obtaining a visa for foreign nationals who invest \$1,000,000 or at least \$500,000 in a "Targeted Employment Area" of high unemployment; and

WHEREAS, the EB-5 program has proven beneficial to the City of Los Angeles by stimulating economic development activity and employment, and providing new commercial enterprises in the highest unemployment areas of the city; and

WHEREAS, the EB-5 program expires in September 2015; and

WHEREAS, with the recent loss of both the California State Enterprise and the Federal Empowerment Zone programs, which had offered businesses significant tax credits to operate in some of the most economically challenged and highest unemployment in the city, the continuation of the EB-5 incentive program is vital to the Los Angeles economy; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the EB-5 program would provide for continued foreign investment in economic development projects within the City of Los Angeles, including in areas of high unemployment;

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 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT and/or SPONSORSHIP of legislation to extend the EB-5 program beyond September 2015.

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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 teen unemployment rates in the City of Los Angeles are as high as 35 percent in some of the poorest communities and the high-school drop-out rate averages 50 percent across the city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles and its Youth Workforce Development System administered by the City's Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) has operated summer youth employment programs for well over 20 consecutive years and has a well-established, competitively procured Youth Workforce Delivery System that is ready to accept funds for such summer youth employment programs and implement summer youth employment programs immediately; and

WHEREAS, the summer youth employment programs provided jobs for 10,935 low-income teens and young adults in the summer of 2014; and

WHEREAS, no federal or state funding has been provided to support low-income youth and young adults employment for the summer of 2015; and

WHEREAS, legislation should target award allocations and competitive grants to local entities for work-based training and other work-related and educational strategies and activities of demonstrated effectiveness to provide unemployed, low-income young adults and low-income youths with skills that will lead to employment; and

WHEREAS, legislation should require activities to be subject to Federal Labor Standards and nondiscrimination protections; and

WHEREAS, the identification of funds to support summer youth employment for low-income youth will support the City's efforts to recover high school drop-outs and return them to school while connecting them to meaningful work experience;

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 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT and/or SPONSORSHIP of legislation to establish within the U.S. Department of Treasury a Youth Jobs Fund, with adequate funding appropriation to support summer youth programs.

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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, in 1948 the California State Legislature authorized the formation of community redevelopment agencies as a tool to revitalize blighted communities; and

WHEREAS, in the summer of 2011 the California State Legislature enacted measure AB1X 26, which dissolved redevelopment agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles was left without the financing and other tools necessary to address persistent blighting conditions present in the most disadvantaged communities of the city; and

WHEREAS, proposed state legislation would allow for the creation of Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities within defined community revitalization and investment areas in order to provide financing tools for investments in infrastructure, affordable housing, and economic revitalization; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities, or a similar structure would provide the City of Los Angeles with additional financing and implementation tools to address conditions of blight within certain communities;

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 and/or SPONSORSHIP of legislation to create Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities and/or any other similar legislation to provide financing and implementation tools to address blighting conditions within the City of Los Angeles.

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WHEREAS, since 2000, the Federal New Markets Tax Credits program has assisted state efforts for local economic development, including job creation by providing matching funds for small businesses and business-related real estate ventures in low-income areas; and

WHEREAS, a State of California New Markets Tax Credit program to match the federal program would help attract national pools of investment capital into California communities; and

WHEREAS, the New Markets Tax Credit model is a proven economic development tool in states that have created statewide programs; and

WHEREAS, between 2001 and 2012, eleven states that established state matching programs leveraged an average of \$13.00 in combined federal and private monies for every \$1.00 allocated by the state to fund the tax credit; and

WHEREAS, local clearing houses such as the Los Angeles Development Fund have been effective in administering the federal New Markets tax credit; and

WHEREAS, existing State of California tax credit program allocations that are processed through the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (Go-Biz) have favored companies and developments in Northern California, and Go-Biz lacks sufficient local/ regional knowledge to determine which projects would be most impactful; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a State of California New Markets Tax Credit program will provide new competitive income streams for commercial and service-oriented development projects in the City's low-income communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles supported previous legislation (AB 1399) to establish a state New Markets Tax Credit;

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 and/or SPONSORSHIP of legislation to establish a California New Markets Tax Credit program that is allocated to local clearing houses similar to the federal program.

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WHEREAS, the State Quimby Act, adopted in 1965, permits local jurisdictions to require that land be dedicated for park or recreation use or a fee paid in lieu of dedicated land (or a combination of both) as a condition before approval of a tentative map or parcel map; and

WHEREAS, the State Quimby Act requires that both the dedicated land and/or fees are only to be used for new development or rehabilitation of existing park and recreation facilities and shall bear a reasonable relationship to the use of the park and recreation facilities by the future residents of the subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the State Quimby Act does not address the administration and use of interest income generated from in-lieu Quimby fees collected by local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a policy regarding these funds has hindered the Department of Recreation and Parks' ability to allocate and expend Quimby fee interest income on park acquisitions and capital improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the State Quimby Act that would allow a local park agency or a local jurisdiction's legislative body to adopt policies regarding Quimby interest income expenditures would benefit Los Angeles residents by providing additional funding for the creation of new open green space throughout the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles, hereby include in its 2015-2016 State Legislative Program SPONSORSHIP and/or SUPPORT for legislation or administrative action that would amend the State Quimby Act to allow a local park agency, or jurisdiction's legislative body, to adopt policies regarding the expenditure of interest income generated from inlieu fees collected pursuant to the 1965 State Quimby Act.

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WHEREAS, there is a need for more open green space throughout California and especially in park-poor and low-income areas; and

WHEREAS, State funding for the development of new parks and recreation facilities and maintenance, preservation and protection of existing parks and recreation facilities continues to be reduced; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated funding source, such as a bond, to provide consistent financial support for new and existing parks and facilities is necessary and will further the health and enjoyment of Los Angeles residents; and

WHEREAS, funding could be used to restore, preserve and protect regional parks; protection rivers, lakes, streams, and watersheds; protect and restore the Los Angeles River; protect beaches, bays coastal and ocean resources; and fund urban forestry and urban greening projects; and

WHEREAS, the support of the sale of bonds to fund safe neighborhood parks, rivers and coastal protection would benefit the residents of Los Angeles and provide local iurisdictions the necessary resources to raise the quality of life in each city and the State of California as a whole.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles, hereby include in its 2015-2016 State Legislative Program SPONSORSHIP and/or SUPPORT for legislation or administrative action that would allow the State to issue bonds to fund safe neighborhood parks, rivers and coastal protection for the creation, maintenance, restoration and protection of parks and recreation facilities.

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WHEREAS, the Tax Reform Act of 1986 created the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), which is used to incentivize the development of affordable rental housing for low-income households; and

WHEREAS, the tax credit is designed to subsidize either 30 percent or 70 percent of the low-income unit costs; and

WHEREAS, Congress originally set the tax credit rate at four percent (for the 30 percent subsidy) and nine percent (for the 70 percent subsidy) in the first year of the law, with the out-year credit rates determined by a floating rate based on federal borrowing costs; and

WHEREAS, to ensure a stable tax credit, in 2008 Congress set the annual rate on the 70 percent subsidy at a flat nine percent for properties placed in service by the end of 2013 and further extended the nine percent credit to apply to credit allocations made before January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, legislation that would end the option of the floating LIHTC tax credit and make permanent the temporary nine percent minimum tax credit and create a new four percent minimum tax credit for the 30 percent subsidy would eliminate the financial risk of the floating rate system and create stability and predictability in the affordable housing community; and

WHEREAS, this action will serve as a significant financing source for constructing additional affordable housing in the City;

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 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for legislation or administrative action that would eliminate the floating rate used by the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program and make permanent a nine percent and four percent minimum rate.

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WHEREAS, of the 3.7 million people living in Los Angeles' housing units, 2.2 million (or 60 percent) are living in rental units, with the majority of the renters (59 percent) classified as rent burdened as they are paying more than 30 percent of their income on rent; and

WHEREAS, the City needs an adequate supply of affordable housing that does not burden families and erode their capability to pay for medical costs, transportation, groceries and other necessities; and

WHEREAS, with the elimination of redevelopment agencies and the depletion of Prop 1C and the Neighborhood Stabilization Program, and cuts to the federal Community Development Block Grant and the HOME program, the City has lost significant sources of affordable housing funding; and

WHEREAS, SB 391 (DeSaulnier), which would have yielded an average of \$500 million per year for affordable housing by imposing a \$75 recordation fee on most real-estate documents, failed to pass the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, funds would have been used for the purpose of supporting the development, acquisition, rehabilitation, and preservation of housing affordable to low- and moderate-income households, including, but not limited to, emergency shelters; transitional and permanent rental housing, including necessary service and operating subsidies; foreclosure mitigation; and homeownership opportunities; and

WHEREAS, due to the lack of affordable housing resources, the City of Los Angeles should support similar legislation that would create a State permanent source for affordable housing;

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 of legislation or administrative action which would establish a recordation fee on real-estate documents, excluding documents related to the sale of property, as a permanent source of funding for affordable housing, and to include cities in the development of the funding allocation formula to ensure equitable distribution of funds.

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WHEREAS, inclusionary housing ordinances require developers to retain a certain percentage of housing units in a new development as affordable to lower income households; and

WHEREAS, the case *Palmer v. City of Los Angeles* (2009) prevented local governments from mandating rent restrictions on inclusionary units in new rental housing developments, as such restrictions were preempted by the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act, which gives landowners the right to set the initial rent level at the start of a tenancy; and

WHEREAS, with limited land and financial resources, the option to create an inclusionary housing program is critical for developing and distributing affordable housing throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, based on the acute need for affordable housing, the City should support legislation that would supersede *Palmer v. City of Los Angeles* and reaffirm the authority of local jurisdictions to enact and enforce inclusionary housing ordinances;

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 administrative action that would authorize the legislative body of any city or county to establish, as a condition of development, inclusionary housing requirements which may require the provision of residential units affordable to, and occupied by, owners or tenants whose household incomes do not exceed the limits for lower income, very low income, or extremely low income households.

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