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## PROPOSED DRAFT ORDINANCE FOR THE 2015 SEASON DETERMINING THAT CERTAIN WEEDS, RUBBISH, REFUSE AND DIRT ARE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND ORDERING THE ABATEMENT OF THESE NUISANCES

The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Room 395 City Hall 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 15-0007

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance would satisfy the requirements of Government Code Sections 39500 through 39588, authorizing the City to abate certain public nuisances consisting of weeds, rubbish, refuse and dirt.

On January 7, 2015, the Council adopted Ordinance No. 183350, declaring its intention to abate the above-referenced types of nuisances from the properties referred to in the "2015 L.A. City Ordinance of Intention Listing" (Listing). The ordinance required posting of the Listing for at least ten days at two specified public locations, and fixed the date of March 18, 2015, for the City Council to hear any objections to the proposed abatement of these nuisances. The Listing has been so posted continuously since passage of the ordinance.

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The effect of the enclosed draft ordinance, if adopted, would be to authorize the abatement of public nuisances consisting of weeds, rubbish, refuse and dirt on certain streets, sidewalks, parkways and on, or in front of, the properties included in the Listing, except for those matters in which the Council may allow objections at its meeting of March 18, 2015.

## Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Board of Public Works for their review and comment. On February 18, 2015, the Board of Public Works conducted a public hearing to receive protests or complaints concerning the City's intention to abate these nuisances from the properties included in the Listing, and recommended that the City Council adopt a final ordinance to accomplish the work.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant City Attorney Edward M. Jordan at (213) 978-8199. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

By

Very truly yours,

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