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**REPORT RE:**

**DRAFT ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 22.819 TO THE LOS ANGELES  
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO ENABLE A CITY BOARD OR COMMISSION TO GIVE  
ENHANCED CONSIDERATION TO A NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL'S POSITION ON  
A PENDING ITEM FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS**

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

Council File Nos. 15-0389 and 15-0524

Honorable Members:

This Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. This draft ordinance adds Section 22.819 to the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to provide enhanced consideration of a Neighborhood Council's position on an item pending before a City Board or Commission.

Background and Summary of Ordinance Provisions

On September 21, 2015, City Council requested that this Office prepare an ordinance that sets aside separate time at any City Board or Commission meeting for Neighborhood Councils to provide feedback and ongoing dialogue regarding the Neighborhood Council's official position on a pending item. This Office also was requested to include a provision in the ordinance to provide a mechanism giving the meeting chair the option to allow a Neighborhood Council representative to "have a seat

at the table.” City Council requested that the time for this dialogue should occur early on the Board or Commission’s agenda. This proposed ordinance fulfills City Council’s request and creates an agenda item at City Board or Commission meetings for Neighborhood Council input.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment requesting that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Darren R. Martinez at (213) 978-8197. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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