

MOTION

On May 20, 2015, the Economic Development Committee unanimously recommended approval of a Motion (Price-Wesson-LaBonge), Council File No. 15-0613, to encourage the location in South Los Angeles of a state-of-the-art Major League Soccer (MLS) stadium and ancillary facilities for the Los Angeles Football Club (LAFC) (the Project). The LAFC is located in Exposition Park on the site of the former Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena in South Los Angeles.

In implementing the direction of the Motion that each responsible City department shall work individually and collectively as appropriate to assist LAFC in consideration of all necessary actions to implement the Project, it has been determined that Council initiation of actions related to the Coliseum District Specific Plan (Specific Plan) and Coliseum and Soccer Stadium Sign District (Sign District) is necessary for the City to consider modifications to the Project's proposed signage

On May 6, 2016, the Council approved an amendment to the Coliseum District Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 184289) and approved the Coliseum and Soccer Stadium Sign District (Ordinance No. 184290) to enable the development of the Project (Council File No. 15-1541) along with a supporting signage program. The Project is a transformative investment in South Los Angeles that brings long- needed jobs and community serving facilities like restaurants and meeting spaces to Exposition Park in addition to the soccer stadium, which will result in an overall development of up to approximately 641,000 square feet.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Planning Department, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to prepare and present the land use ordinances needed relative to the construction of the Los Angeles Football Club Stadium (Council File 15-0613), including the following additional instructions:

1. Instruct the Planning Department, and request the City Attorney, to initiate all necessary updates and amendments to the Coliseum District Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 184289) and Coliseum and Soccer Stadium Sign District (Ordinance No. 184290), to permit the addition of digital freeway signs as is appropriate for a Major League Soccer stadium and include locations that are not contiguous with the stadium site, and are visible when approaching freeway off-ramps to access the stadium.
2. Instruct the Planning Department, and request the City Attorney, to process and coordinate review of any needed updates and amendments to the Coliseum District Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 184289), and Coliseum and Soccer Stadium Sign District (Ordinance No. 184290), for the digital freeway signs upon submittal of the project application.
3. Instruct the Planning Department, and request the City Attorney, upon the Los Angeles Football Club's submittal to the Planning Department, of a project description and deposit of funds for processing the digital freeway signs, to work with LAFC to prepare the necessary land use documents, including amendments to the Coliseum District Specific Plan and the Coliseum and Soccer Stadium Sign District, and assign staffing as needed to process the land use documents and obtain public review prior to the Council's future consideration.
4. Instruct the Planning Department, and request the City Attorney, to coordinate review and process the project application and all necessary land use and environmental documents in an expedited manner.

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