File No. 16-0233

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the immediate halt/suspension of processing liens to the City Council.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Wesson - Bonin - Blumenfield - Ryu):

- 1. INSTRUCT the LADBS to establish a new lien public hearing process for nuisance abatement and code enforcement activities provided by LADBS, wherein the Council designates another hearing body; and thereafter the hearing body provides written recommendations to the Council.
- 2. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present Ordinances in 60 days, to amend pertinent Sections of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to transfer the public hearing requirement from the City Council to the Los Angeles Board of Building and Safety Commissioners.
- 3. INSTRUCT the LADBS, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to prepare policies and procedures for conducting public hearings under the new lien hearing process.
- INSTRUCT the LADBS, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to prepare a budget proposal reflecting anticipated costs to be incurred by the LADBS under the new process.
- 5. REFER the item to the Budget and Finance Committee with instructions to report on the anticipated costs incurred by the proposed new program, and to report on the structure of associated fees and late fees.
- 6. INSTRUCT the LADBS to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO; and, REQUEST the Controller to implement these instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The LADBS reports that if the new lien procedures as discussed are approved, including the use of certified mail for all lien correspondences, the impact to the General Fund this fiscal year would be approximately \$1.3 million. Additional impact relative to the hearing process will be addressed through the regular budget process.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on September 6, 2016 (continued from June 21, 2016), the PLUM Committee considered Motion (Wesson - Bonin - Blumenfield - Ryu) and a report from LADBS relative to the halt/suspension of processing LADBS liens to City Council. Staff from the LADBS provided information to the Committee on the process and included recommendations for reform to the current process. After an opportunity for public comment the Committee recommended that Council approve the recommendations in the Motion, and in the LADBS report. This matter is now submitted to the Council for it's consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER:	VOTE:
HUIZAR	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
CEDILLO	YES
ENGLANDER	YES
FUENTES	ABSENT

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