MOTION

The City of Los Angeles is currently undertaking a variety of initiatives designed to improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities within the City. Pertaining to the construction of affordable housing developments, the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID) is requiring developer's to affirm via a Regulatory Agreement that (a) the housing project will comply with both federal and State Americans with Disabilities Act standards, the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and the California Building Codes, (b) the sponsors will not discriminate in its programs, services or activities on the basis of disability or on the basis of a person's relationship to, or association with, a person who has a disability, and (c) the sponsors will provide reasonable accommodation upon request to ensure equal access and effective communication to its programs, services and activities.

As part of the regulatory framework, HCID will monitor the initial production and ongoing occupancy of the Accessible Housing Units and the Accessible Housing Development by applying ADA standards to ensure full compliance with the Accessibility Requirements, among other monitoring and administrative functions. This work represents additional costs that should be recovered by the department through the implementation of an ADA Regulatory Agreement fee (or fees).

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department to prepare a fee study, to be validated by the City Administrative Officer, and with the requested assistance of the City Attorney, pertaining to 100 percent cost recovery of the work required by the department to ensure compliance under ADA Regulatory actions.

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