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#### REPORT RE:

DRAFT ORDINANCE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF 15 QUITCLAIM DEEDS FOR LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER (LADWP) DISTRIBUTION EASEMENTS

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

#### 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 would approve Resolution No. 017-138, dated January 17, 2017, to quitclaim 15 distribution easements.

#### Background

On January 17, 2017, the Board of Water and Power Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 017-138 authorizing execution of quitclaim deeds for 15 LADWP distribution easements located within various areas of the City of Los Angeles. The LADWP has determined that the 15 distribution easements are no longer required for use by LADWP. The requestors of the quitclaim deeds shall have paid the processing fee of \$6,420.00 before the quitclaim deeds will be delivered.

## **Charter Requirements**

This draft ordinance is transmitted for your approval pursuant to Charter Section 675, after approval by the Board of Water and Power Commissioners of the Department of Water and Power.

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## **CEQA Findings**

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), it has been determined that this transaction is exempt from further requirements under the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines, Article III, Class 5(4), Categorical Exemption.

### Recommendation

The City Administrative Officer (CAO) analyzed and recommends approval of this transaction. The Board of Water and Power Commissioners also recommends approval. A copy of the CAO report and the Board Resolution are included in the Council File.

## Council Rule 38 Referral

The Board of Water and Power Commissioners recommends approval of the draft ordinance authorizing this transaction.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Timothy J. Chung at (213) 367-4518. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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