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Budget and Finance Committee
c/o Erika Pulst
City Clerk, Room 395
City Hall
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilmember Krekorian:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to comment on the 2017-18 Proposed Budget for the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO).

The CAO recognizes the challenges facing the City as we look forward to a year when it will be more important than ever to identify opportunities to provide cost effective and innovative services. We maintain support of the Citywide goals of responsible financial management and fiscal discipline. I take much pride in knowing that my Office played a critical role in the development of the Mayor's 2017-18 Proposed Budget.

This budget highlights the continued importance of supporting and expediting Citywide efforts to implement the City's Comprehensive Homeless Strategy and adds regular authority for the two positions dedicated to this effort. Through the continuation of resolution authority positions, this budget continues to support strategic assessment of the size and scope of the City workforce and to support economic development opportunities through development proposals of City-owned and former Community Redevelopment Agency-owned properties.

This budget also adds resources to support critical new initiatives. One new position is authorized to support the Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing, and Facilities Bond Issue program (Proposition HHH). This budget also authorizes a new special funded position to provide additional coordination with the Department of Building and Safety regarding development reform efforts.

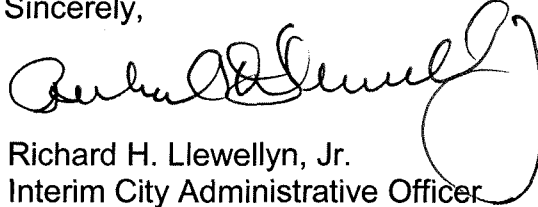
Finally, this budget brings to a close the administrative support provided by the CAO to the Office of Public Accountability (OPA). OPA was previously budgeted within the CAO for administrative purposes. However, effective July 1, 2017 the OPA will be an independent department with administrative support provided by the City Clerk.



Reductions will be absorbed to the best of our abilities.

The CAO recognizes the challenges facing the City, and we look forward to facing those challenges with the City Council and Mayor as we continue our solid track record of making timely and sound financial and operational decisions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard H. Llewellyn, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

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Interim City Administrative Officer

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