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REPORT NO. **R17-0306**

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**REPORT RE:**

**DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 161.601, 161.602.2 AND 161.603 OF  
THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO AMEND THE SYSTEMATIC CODE  
ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM TO CLARIFY HOUSING INSPECTION PROCEDURES**

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

Council File No. 17-0695

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. This ordinance amends Sections 161.601, 161.602.2 and 161.603 of Article 1, Chapter XVI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to clarify periodic and complaint inspection procedures under the Systematic Code Enforcement Program (SCEP).

#### Background

The Housing + Community Investment Department (HCID) submitted a report to the Mayor on June 9, 2017, concerning proposed amendments to the SCEP ordinance to clarify inspection procedures. On June 15, 2017, the Mayor transmitted the HCID report to the Housing Committee. On June 28, 2017, after public comment, the Housing Committee approved HCID's report and proposed amendments. On June 28, 2017, the City Council adopted the Housing Committee's report, recommendations and proposed ordinance amendments, and requested this Office to prepare a draft ordinance. This

Office now transmits the draft ordinance incorporating all the changes requested by HCID and approved by the City Council.

CEQA Findings

Regarding a finding pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), HCID has recommended that City Council find that the adoption of this ordinance is exempt from the provisions of CEQA under Article 18, Section 15060(c)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 2(m) of the City CEQA Guidelines.

Council Rule 38 Referral

Pursuant to Council Rule 38, a copy of the draft ordinance was sent to HCID, which approved the proposed language.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Deborah Breithaupt at (213) 978-7965. She or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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