File No. <u>17-0940</u>

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the City's ability and authority to regulate and inspect below-ground storage facilities for natural gas and other hazardous materials.

Recommendation for Council action:

ESTABLISH an interagency task force to include the California Department of Conservation, the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR), the Office of Petroleum and Natural Gas Administration and Safety, and other regulatory agencies to do the following:

- a. Review safety studies, risk analysis and technical assessments conducted at the Aliso Canyon site to determine which recommendations could be applied to the Playa Del Rey or any site which could potentially have the same issues, in an effort to protect public safety and the environment.
- b. Coordinate regulatory oversight and inspections to ensure the City is fully engaged and informed of current and developing natural storage safety issues locally and statewide.
- c. Conduct an analysis of gas storage regulatory issues within the City and State and work towards development of local or statewide legislative solutions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD). Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on December 3, 2019, the Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice Committee considered a LAFD report dated August 21, 2019, relative to the ability and authority the City has to regulate and inspect below-ground storage facilities for natural gas and other hazardous materials, such as the Aliso Canyon and Playa del Rey sites; and, to establish an interagency task-force to improve regulatory coordination.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation contained in the subject LAFD report, as detailed above. This matter is now transmitted to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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MARTINEZ: YES KORETZ: YES KREKORIAN: YES CEDILLO: ABSENT O'FARRELL: YES

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