CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, NEGATIVE DECLARATION, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT, and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a process for temporary use of motels and hotels for supportive and transitional housing.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- FIND based on the whole of the administrative record, that the proposed Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies.v
- 2. FIND pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(b), after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, including the Negative Declaration, No. ENV-2017-3410-ND, and all comments received, there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment; the Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the City; and, ADOPT the Negative Declaration.
- 3. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission dated December 19, 2017, and the additional findings submitted by the Department of City Planning, attached to the Council file, as the Findings of Council.
- 4. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE dated March 22, 2018, amending Sections 12.03, 14.00 and 151.02 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish a process to allow temporary use of motels and hotels for supportive and transitional housing for persons experiencing homelessness or those at risk for homelessness.
- 5. NOT PRESENT and ORDER FILED the Ordinance dated February 22, 2018.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For:

Atwater Village Neighborhood Council Los Feliz Neighborhood Council Mid City West Community Council Northridge East Neighborhood Council

For if amended: Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council West Hills Neighborhood Council

URGENCY CLAUSE - 12 VOTES REQUIRED ON SECOND READING

(Homelessness and Poverty Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Summary:

At its meeting on March 6, 2016, the PLUM Committee considered a City Attorney report and draft Ordinance relative to establishing a process to allow temporary use of motels and hotels for supportive and transitional housing for homelessness. During the discussion of this matter, Department of City Planning staff presented responses to questions from members, including a written submission by Councilmember Nury Martinez. Among other issues, members inquired about how the Ordinance would relate to properties involved in nuisance abatement proceedings, and staff clarified that any nuisance abatement conditions imposed on a motel run with the land and must be adhered to, even if the motel is converting to supportive or transitional housing. The Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety confirmed that it would use administrative procedures to ensure that the respective Council office is notified whenever there is an application for a conversion under the Ordinance. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that the City Attorney report and draft Ordinance be approved as amended. This matter is now submitted to Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER: VOTE
HUIZAR YES
HARRIS-DAWSON YES
ENGLANDER YES
BLUMENFIELD YES
PRICE YES

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