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The Honorable City Council City of Los Angeles City Hall, Room 303 Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Honorable Council Members:

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION TO CHARTER SECTION 1001(d) (4) **SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT (CF# 18-0665)**

The Department of City Planning (DCP) respectfully requests that one Principal City Planner, Class Code 7946, be exempted from civil service in accordance with the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 1001(d)(4). The requested exemption was approved by the Board of Civil Service Commissioners on June 28, 2018. This item was previously heard at the Personnel and Animal Welfare Committee on August 1, 2018 and instruction was given to the Department to provide funding information for this position.

In the Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget, the Department received position authority for one Principal City Planner to oversee the Performance Management Unit. This Principal City Planner will also oversee components of the Department's Community Plan Updates, the Transit Neighborhood Planning program, all Neighborhood Planning initiatives, and policy and plan updates related to Specific Plans. This position will oversee the Transit Oriented District (TOD) program to ensure compliance with the grant agreements and grant reporting requirements. In addition, the Principal City planner will coordinate with City staff and manage the consultant team, DCP staff, and grant funded TOD programs.

Funding for this position will be provided by the General Fund and will be reimbursed by the TOD grant for the Principal City Planner's time spent performing grant-related duties.

This action requested is in accordance with Charter Section 1001(d)(4).

RECOMMENDATION

The Director of Planning requests that the City Council:

The Honorable City Council Charter Section 1001 (d) Exemption Page 2

Approve the exemption of one Principal City Planner from the civil service process in the Department of City Planning to support the Metro Transit Oriented District Grant.

Please do not hesitate to contact Ly Lam at 978-1206 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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