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REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)

REPORT RE:

PENDING LITIGATION

THE WEST VALLEY CHRISTIAN CENTER v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES USCD CASE NO. 2:17-CV-2275 DSF (Ex) (COUNCIL DISTRICT 12)

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

Honorable Members:

This Office recommends that discussions with, and advice from, legal counsel regarding the above-referenced pending litigation be scheduled and held in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Government Code Section 54956.9(g) requires you to state publicly, prior to the closed session, what subdivision of this section authorizes the closed meeting and that the closed session is being held to confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding pending litigation.

Plaintiff's lawsuit alleges the City violated the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act and related rights under the United States Constitution by delaying approval of a conditional use permit and issuance of a subsequent building The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Page 2

permit for a church at 10650 De Soto Avenue in Chatsworth without proper justifications.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Steve Blau at 213-978-8235. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL N. FEVER, City Attorney

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