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## REPORT RE:

REVISED BALLOT RESOLUTIONS AND ELECTION ORDINANCE REGARDING A PROPSED SPECIAL TAX PROPOSITION ON VARIOUS CANNABIS-RELATED ACTIVITIES FOR THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018, BALLOT

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. 18-1800-S2

## Honorable Members:

On June 15, 2018, this Office transmitted the ballot resolutions and election ordinance necessary to place a measure on the November 6, 2018 ballot authorizing special taxes on various cannabis-related activities.

On June 20, 2018, the Rules Committee considered the matter and recommended specific changes to the draft ballot resolutions and election ordinance. We have prepared and now transmit the enclosed revised draft resolutions and ordinance consistent with the recommendations of the Rules Committee. The revised ballot resolutions add provisions increasing the proposed special tax on commercial cannabis activity to 2% if the gross receipts of all persons subject to the tax reaches \$1.5 billion in any calendar year, as verified by the Office of Finance. The revised resolutions also move back the effective date of the new taxes to July 1, 2019. The revised resolutions and ordinance also amend the ballot title for the measure consistent with the changes above and to include an estimate of the potential revenues from the new taxes of approximately \$30 million annually.

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## Council Rule 38 Referral

Pursuant to Council Rule 38, we have discussed these revisions with staff of the City Administrative Officer and Office of Finance, and requested that comments, if any, be directed to Council at the time this matter is considered.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Harit Trivedi at (213) 978-7193. A member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Transmittal