

MOTION

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The World Health Organization (WHO) has identified COVID-19 as an infectious disease caused by a recently-discovered coronavirus. Governments around the world, including the City of Los Angeles, have implemented various measures to prevent and delay as many new COVID- 19 cases as possible, such as social distancing.

These measures are intended to safeguard the public health. However, the resulting impacts to the economic livelihood of City residents can be considerable. Many City residents are experiencing the closure of their workplaces. These employees often do not have the option of telecommuting to work, and the loss of income can hinder them from purchasing household goods and paying for monthly housing costs.

The City should do everything possible to assist residents who are experiencing economic hardships as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. To have the greatest impact possible, such assistance should include rent payment assistance and access to funds to pay for essential goods. The City provides various services to assist individuals with housing and workforce development. Given the current state of emergency, it is incumbent that we explore the feasibility of funding and implementing a Rental Assistance and Personal Loan Program in Los Angeles.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the Housing and Community Investment Department, Economic and Workforce Development Department, and Chief Legislative Analyst, be instructed to finance, develop, and implement a Rental Assistance and Personal Loan Program as a result of the COVID-19 emergency declaration.

PRESENTED BY: De C R

David E. Ryu  
Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY: Monica Rodriguez

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**AMENDING MOTION**

I HEREBY MOVE that Council AMEND the Motion 72K (Ryu – Rodriguez) to STRIKE the moving clause and INSTRUCT the departments listed in the Motion to report back immediately on the resources necessary, available funding sources, and a plan to implement a rental assistance and personal loan program for residents impacted by COVID-19, consistent with the intent of the Motion.

PRESENTED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
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SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
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Councilmember, 6<sup>th</sup> District

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