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REPORT NO. R 2 0 - 0 2 0 9

REPORT RE:

DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 104.19 OF ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER X
OF THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING FEES AND FINES
ASSOCIATED WITH COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATIONS

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

Council File Nos. 20-0782, 20-0446-S1, 20-0420, 20-0777, 17-0653, and 20-0785

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to the request of the City Council, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance amends Article 4, Chapter X of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to modify fees based on the June 15, 2020, fee study prepared by the Department of Cannabis Regulation, which may be changed at various stages of the licensing process.

Fee Notice Requirements

Prior to adopting a new fee or increasing an existing fee, the City Council must conduct a public hearing concerning the matter, as required by Government Code Section 66016. Notice of the time and place of the meeting at which the hearing will be held, including a general description of the matter to be considered, must be published in accordance with Government Code Section 6062a. Those sections of State law require that prior to adoption of a new or increased fee a public hearing be held and notice of that hearing be published in a newspapers with two publications at least five

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days apart over a ten-day period. The notice period begins the first day of publication, and there must be at least five days intervening between the first and the second publications, not counting the dates of publication.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Cannabis Regulation, the Department of Building and Safety, the Department of City Planning, and the Los Angeles Police Department, with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Taylor C. Wagniere at (213) 978-7439. She or another member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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