

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Your **TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM** Committee

reports as follows:

ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed Olympic North Hotels Project Subvention Agreement to support development of the hotel project.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. DETERMINE that the Olympic North Hotels Project is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to City CEQA Guidelines, Article II, Section 2(i), because it is an activity for which the underlying project has previously been evaluated for environmental significance per Council File 09-3070 and therefore will not result in a direct reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.
2. DETERMINE that, in the alternative, the information contained in the previously certified Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and adopted addenda (Council File 09-3070) have been reviewed and considered and adequately describe the potential impacts of the project, and that no additional environmental review is necessary under CEQA Guidelines 15162.
3. APPROVE the Subvention Agreement between the City of Los Angeles and 901 West Olympic Boulevard Limited Partnership concerning the Olympic North Hotels Project, and authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement.
4. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer, with the consent of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) and the City Attorney, to negotiate and execute additional non-material changes to the Agreement as necessary.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CLA reports that the Olympic North Hotels Project is estimated to generate present value net new public revenues of \$44 million net present value (NPV) in various General Fund revenues over 25 years. The Olympic North Hotels Project would retain up to a present value \$21.9 million NPV in Transient Occupancy Tax, a General Fund revenue source, for up to 25 years.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a special meeting held on June 12, 2012, your Trade, Commerce and Tourism Committee considered an Administrative Exemption and CLA report relative to the proposed Olympic North Hotels Project Subvention Agreement to support development of the hotel project.

During the discussion of this item, a representative from the CLA provided a thorough overview of the item and responded to related questions from the Committee members. CLA staff also requested that recommendations 1 and 2 correctly reference Council File 09-3070. An opportunity for public comment was held. After a brief discussion, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation contained in the report.

This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

TRADE, COMMERCE, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
LABONGE:	YES
ROSENDAHL:	NO
BUSCAINO:	YES

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