

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to creating a process for granting legal status to currently existing unapproved dwelling units in multiple-family buildings.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. REQUEST that the City Attorney prepare and present an ordinance substantially in conformity with the draft ordinance accompanying the City Planning Commission report to Council dated March 4, 2016 relative to amending Section 14.00 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) for the purpose of creating a new process for granting legal status to unapproved dwelling units in existing multiple-family buildings when certain affordability criteria are met, as amended to include an Urgency Clause.
2. REQUEST that the City Attorney report relative to the legality of modifying Subdivision 10(i)4 of the draft ordinance to replace should with shall.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Department of City Planning reports that this action will not impact the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For, if amended: Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council  
Westside Neighborhood Council  
Foothill Trails Neighborhood Council

**(The Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated March 4, 2016, the Department of City Planning presents a draft ordinance amending LAMC Section 14.00 to create a new process for granting legal status to unapproved dwelling units in existing multiple-family buildings when certain affordability criteria are met. According to the Planning Department, there is no development, change in land use, intensity or density proposed as part of this ordinance. The City Planning Commission approved the draft ordinance at its meeting held February 25, 2016.

At its meeting held April 6, 2016, the Housing Committee considered this matter. At this time, Councilmember Fuentes stated that the proposed ordinance will create an administrative process to bring in compliance existing unapproved dwelling units at a reduced cost to owners and tenants. In return, the property owner will be required to designate the unit, or one other unit on the property, as affordable. Committee members expressed support for the draft ordinance, recommending Council approval as amended to incorporate an urgency clause in the final ordinance. Committee further recommended that Council request the City Attorney to report relative to the legality of modifying Subdivision 10(i)4 of the draft ordinance to replace should with shall.

Respectfully Submitted,



HOUSING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CEDILLO:	YES
FUENTES:	YES
HUIZAR:	YES
PRICE:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES

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