

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing the City's Existing Building Energy and Water Efficiency Program.

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

1. FIND that the draft Ordinance is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15307, to maintain natural resources; CEQA Guidelines Section 15308, to protect the environment; and CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(a) and (c) for Emergency Projects.
2. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE dated October 27, 2016, amending Division 4 of Article 8, Chapter IX, and adding Division 97 to Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish the City of Los Angeles Existing Building Energy and Water Efficiency (EBEWE) Program, requiring buildings, including existing buildings, to undergo energy and water efficiency audits, retro-commissioning and annual benchmarking of energy and water consumption.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that there is no General Fund impact. The fees for the EBEWE Program are set at full cost recovery. Therefore, any cost incurred by the Department of Building and Safety to administer EBEWE Program will be offset by fees collected. The recommendation in the CAO report dated October 4, 2016, is consistent with the City's Financial Policies as on-going expenditures will be fully supported by on-going revenues.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**(Energy and Environment Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on December 6, 2016, the PLUM Committee considered a Existing Buildings Energy and Water Efficiency Program Ordinance. Staff from the City Administrative Officer office commented on the Ordinance. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the Ordinance. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HUIZAR	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	ABSENT
CEDILLO	YES
ENGLANDER	YES
PRICE	YES

**-NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS-**