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PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to assessing brewery charges based on the size of brewery operations and the amount of wastewater discharge.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Krekorian - Blumenfield - Martinez):

INSTRUCT the Board of Public Works and the Bureau of Sanitation to review its permit charges for breweries and report with changes to more appropriately assess charges based on the size of the brewery operations and the amount of wastewater discharge.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on October 18, 2017, your Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee considered a Motion (Krekorian - Blumenfield - Martinez) relative to assessing brewery charges based on the size of brewery operations and the amount of wastewater discharge. The Motion states that a local craft brewer producing less than 15,000 barrels of beer is charged the same as a large brewer that produces over 6,000,000 barrels. The wide disparity between the volume of water used at a large brewery and that of a microbrewery means that the one size fits all permit charges that are assessed by the Bureau of Sanitation may not be appropriate for a smaller brewery operation. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation contained in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT
MARTINEZ:	YES
RYU:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES

ME