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In an ongoing effort to improve the development experience for City departments and applicants, the City has embarked upon developing a system called BuildLA. BuildLA is envisioned as a single online portal designed to seamlessly manage the various steps involved in the development process. Elements of this system will include a workflow management platform where each City department involved in a project updates and tracks its respective tasks and approvals.

The Department of Building and Safety (DBS) is the project manager of the BuildLA system. In furtherance of its buildout, DBS has recently implemented its "E-Plan Check" system and is working towards creating electronic processes for other application types. Additionally, the Department of City Planning (DCP) is currently developing universal cashiering to facilitate online payment and universal customer and project identification numbers to streamline the application process.

As the City of Los Angeles faces a shortage of housing, and as state and city laws are changing to facilitate development, it is important that the City Council has an up to date understanding of the implementation of BuildLA.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Building and Safety with the assistance of the Department of City Planning, Department of Water and Power, the Bureau of Engineering, the Department of Transportation, and the Los Angeles Fire Department, and any other relevant departments, report with an overview and status update of BuildLA. This report should include how various departments are participating in the platform, what tools are currently available to users, and what future tools will be added to the system to make it easier for applicants to track their applications. This report should also include a timeline for the complete implementation of BuildLA as envisioned as a universal online portal for development projects.

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