

AD HOC ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a debt relief and forgiveness program for low-income ratepayers who have fallen behind on their bills.

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

INSTRUCT the Department of Water and Power to report with a proposal for a debt relief and forgiveness program for low-income ratepayers who have fallen behind on their bills, including as a result of COVID-19. This program should include bill stabilization efforts for low-income ratepayers to also prevent new debt from being accumulated by ensuring the amount of their utility bill remains at an affordable level based on a percentage of monthly income.

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 its special meeting on September 2, 2020 the Ad Hoc on Covid-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment Committee considered Motion (Martinez - Price) relative to a debt relief and forgiveness program for low-income ratepayers who have fallen behind on their bills. The Motion attached to the Council file, includes some background on the matter.


After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approved the recommendation as reflected above. This matter is now forwarded to the City Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

AD HOC ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
MARTINEZ:	YES
WESSON:	YES
PRICE:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES

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