

HOUSING

MOTION

The State's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program, funded with Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), capitalized with what are commonly known as cap-and-trade dollars, has invested approximately \$330 million in the City of Los Angeles. To date, AHSC funding has supported 28 developments comprised of 2,668 affordable housing units and several greenhouse gas emission-reducing transit infrastructure projects throughout the City. The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) oversees the AHSC Program, which is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The SGC and HCD are considering changes to Round 6 of the AHSC Program.

On September 16, 2020, HCD released the *AHSC Program Round 6 Draft Guidelines* and opened a public comment period through October 16, 2020. It is anticipated that the final guidelines will be approved in November 2020, applications would be due by February 2021, and awards announced by June 2021. The proposed guideline revisions would affect the scoring and certain requirements for eligible projects.

It is critical that the Housing and Community Investment Department review the proposed changes and recommend City comments to ensure that the City and its co-applicant developers are competitive enough to secure a fair share of resources to help address the City's affordable housing and infrastructure needs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Council instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department to review the proposed changes to the *AHSC Program Round 6 Draft Guidelines*, and report, if necessary, with any City comments on these guidelines, prior to the public comment deadline.

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