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Title
FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS / INTERIM CONTROL ORDINANCE / WEST-ADAMS-BALDWIN HILLS-LEIMERT, SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES

Subject
Motion - The proliferation and concentration of fast food restaurants in certain areas of the City brings with it many social, economic, environmental and other concerns which merit closer review by the City. The unique community issues raised by this sector of commercial activity has been recognized in many cities throughout the nation. Port Jefferson, New York has an ordinance which bars formula fast food restaurants from the village's historic commercial and waterfront districts. The ordinance strictly defines "formula fast food establishment" as, among other things, one which has standardized menus, ingredients, food preparation, decor, external facade and/or uniforms. A tax in Chicago aims to reduce littering and to defray the city's cost for sanitation workers to clean up litter. There is an extra 0.5 percent charged for take-out foods from local restaurants, increasing the restaurant tax from 9.75 percent to 10.25 percent. The higher price for take-out foods encourages diners to stay indoors, and as a result, to put food wrappings and waste in provided receptacles. These are but two examples of communities which have implemented measures legitimately addressing problems associated with the fast food industry. In Los Angeles not only do we suffer from the increased waste which is generated from these establishments, but arguably the profuse over concentration of fast-food businesses in low-income areas, particularly along the Southeast Los Angeles commercial corridors, intensifies socio-economic problems in the neighborhoods, and creates serious public health problems through poor nutrition for children, magnets for juvenile delinquency, and a proportionally much higher cost for food. As such, the City should enforce all land use regulatory controls to regulate the further overconcentration of fast food restaurants along all commercial corridors in Southeast Los Angeles. THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Planning Department, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to prepare and process an Interim Control Ordinance (ICO), to prohibit all new fast food restaurants from opening on all Major Highway Class I, Major Highway Class II and Secondary Streets designated in the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert, South Los Angeles and Southeast Los Angeles Community Plans. FURTHER MOVE that the ICO include an Urgency Clause making it effective upon publication. FURTHER MOVE that the ICO shall run for one year with two six month extensions by City Council Resolution, or until the adoption of the appropriate land use regulatory controls have been prepared by the Planning Department, adopted by the City Council and become effective, whichever occurs first. FURTHER MOVE that the Planning Department prepare and present the ICO for the review and consideration of the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee.

Last Change Date
08/07/2008

Council District
8,9

Mover
JAN PERRY

Second
BERNARD PARKS

Archive History

5-25-07 - This day's Council session
5-25-07 - Ref to Planning and Land Use Management Committee
5-25-07 - File to Planning and Land Use Management Committee Clerk
6-14-07 - Set for Planning and Land Use Management Committee on June 19, 2007

6-19-07 - Planning and Land Use Management Committee Disposition - Schedule in Council to refer to Planning Department
6-19-07 - Communication submitted in committee by Councilmember Perry, dated June 19, 2007, relative to establishing an Interim Control Ordinance to prohibit any new fast food restaurants from opening on commercial corridors within the West-Adams Baldwin Hills-Leimert, South Los Angeles and Southeast Los Angeles Community Planning areas - to Planning and Land Use Management Committee Clerk.
7-3-07 - Council Action - Planning and Land Use Management report ADOPTED to INSTRUCT the Planning Department, with the assistance of the City Attorney and Council District Nine, to prepare and process an ICO, to prohibit all new fast food restaurants from opening on all Major Highway Class I, Major Highway Class II and Secondary streets designated in the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert, South Los Angeles and Southeast Los Angeles Community Plans; that the ICO include an Urgency Clause making it effective upon publication; that the ICO shall run for one year with two six month extensions by City Council Resolution, or until the adoption of the appropriate land use regulatory controls have been prepared by the Planning Department, adopted by the City Council and become effective, whichever occurs first; and that the Planning Department prepare and present the ICO for the review and consideration of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee within 60 days.
7-23-07 - File to Planning and Land Use Management Committee Clerk OK
7-23-07 - File in files
11-29-07 - For ref - Communication from the Los Angeles City Planning Commission, dated November 29, 2007, relative to:
CASE NO. CPC 2007-3827-ICO
ENV No. 2007-3828-CE
Location: Various
Plan Area: South Los Angeles, Southeast Los Angeles; West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert
Request(s): Interim Control Ordinance
Applicant: City of Los Angeles
11-30-07 - Ref to Planning and Land Use Management Committee
11-30-07 - File to Planning and Land Use Management Committee Clerk
12-7-07 - Set for Planning and Land Use Management Committee on December 11, 2007
12-11-07 - Planning and Land Use Management Committee Disposition - City Attorney to draft Ordinance
12-21-07 - Communication from the City Clerk, dated December 17, 2007, relative to a request for the City Attorney to report back to PLUM - is attached to Council file.
7-15-08 - For ref - Communication from the City Attorney R08-0243, dated July 15, 2008, and a draft ordinance relative to the establishing temporary regulations for the issuance of all permits related to the establishment of new fast food restaurants on commercial or industrial zoned properties located on streets designated as Major Highway Class I, Major Highway Class II and Secondary Highway in the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan Area and portions of the South Los Angeles and Southeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area.
7-16-08 - Ref to Planning and Land Use Management Committee - to Committee Clerk
7-18-08 - Set for Planning and Land Use Management Committee on July 22, 2008
7-22-08 - Speaker Cards dated July 22, 2008, submitted in Planning and Land Use Management Committee - are attached to Council file.
7-22-08 - Planning and Land Use Management Committee Disposition - Approved; include Council District 5
7-25-08 - Communications from the Public, dated July 21-22, 2008, submitted in Planning and Land Use Management Committee - are attached to Council file.
7-29-08 - Council Action - Planning and Land Use Management Committee report ADOPTED - Ordinance ADOPTED - Findings ADOPTED - Categorical Exemption APPROVED
7-30-08 - File to Mayor for signature
8-5-08 - File to Council and Legislative Processing Clerk
8-7-08 - File to Planning and Land Use Management Committee Clerk OK
8-7-08 - File in files