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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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Dear Mr. Yin,

On November 25, 2025, the Office of the City Clerk received a draft copy of a proposed initiative ordinance and request for preparation of an Official Petition Title and Summary from proponents James Blackman, Irma Pomposo, Jessica Nassour, Dave Riles, and Traci Park. We forwarded the proposed initiative ordinance and request to the Office of the City Attorney who has prepared and transmitted the Official Petition Title and Summary set forth below. The City Attorney's transmittal is limited solely to that Office's responsibility to prepare the official petition title and summary and does not opine on the legality or substance of the proposed measure.

**FUNDING FOR THE LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT THROUGH A ONE-HALF PERCENT SALES TAX. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE.**

The proposed ordinance would impose an additional one-half percent (0.5%) sales tax in the City of Los Angeles. Tax proceeds would be used to provide additional funding dedicated to support the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), including for: hiring firefighters, paramedics, and other staff; purchasing and maintaining vehicles and equipment; building and upgrading fire stations and other facilities; and brush clearance. The ordinance states that its intent is to supplement, not replace, the City's current funding for LAFD, that the additional funding will be maintained in a separate account for that exclusive purpose, and that the tax would not be imposed if the City fails to maintain LAFD funding at historic budgetary levels. The ordinance would require annual audits and establish a citizen's oversight committee to monitor and report on expenditures of tax revenues. The ordinance would require that fire station construction and replacement projects

receiving funding from this tax be subject to a project-labor agreement and comply with prevailing wage requirements.

This Official Petition Title and Summary is required to appear on the first page of each petition section above the text of the proposed measure, as provided in City Election Code Sections 706 and 707. Please contact us if you have any questions regarding the Official Petition Title and Summary.

The City Election Code requires that you submit a draft copy of your initiative petition, incorporating the above Official Petition Title and Summary, to this office for review and approval prior to circulating the petition.

We are sending this letter to you in your capacity as the authorized representative of the proponents of this initiative ordinance.

For any further questions, please contact us at (213) 978-0444. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Christopher Garcia', written in a cursive style.

Christopher Garcia, Assistant Division Manager  
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