

EXEMPTION, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending Sections 19.00 through 19.10 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to update fees for applications and appeals for planning approvals.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. FIND, that the adoption of the Ordinance does not constitute a project, as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), which states that a project does not include the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.
2. FIND, that the adoption of the Ordinance is exempt from CEQA, based upon CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), which states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.
3. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated December 12, 2017, amending Sections 19.00 through 19.10 of the LAMC to update fees for applications and appeals for planning approvals.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Department of City Planning (DCP) nor the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

Against:

Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

Against, unless Amended:

Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council
Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Council
Echo Park Neighborhood Council (formerly Greater Echo Park Elysian Neighborhood Council)
Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council

No Position:

Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council.

(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on January 23, 2018, the PLUM Committee considered a draft Ordinance relative to amending Sections 19.00 through 19.10 of the LAMC to update fees for applications and appeals for planning approvals. Staff from the DCP provided background information on the fees described in the Ordinance. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the draft Ordinance. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER:</u>	<u>VOTE:</u>
HUIZAR	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
ENGLANDER	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
PRICE	YES

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