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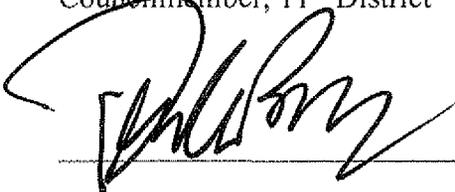
MOTION

The Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) currently disallows "beekeeping" in Single Family residential (R1) zones. The definition of "beekeeping" is to allow for the care and maintenance of bee hives; the managed production of honey bee by-products such as honey and wax; the enhanced pollination of local gardens; the enhanced quality of fruits, vegetables and flowers; and to allow honey bee by-products for on-site consumption in conjunction with existing Truck Gardening practices that already permit the growing of fruits and vegetables in R1 districts.

It is in the interest of the City's residents to promote the growth of healthier honey bee colonies, to harvest honey bee by-products such as honey and wax, to increase pollination of local trees, vines and plants, and to decrease the inhumane removal of honey bees in the City.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Planning Department to prepare a report, in consultation with the Department of Animal Services, relative to the feasibility of allowing beekeeping in R1 zones as a practice to foster a healthier bee population.

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