

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 Interim Budget Request for one Accountant II position to administer the Development Services Trust Fund for the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the FY 2016-17 Interim Budget Request for one Accountant II position to administer the Development Services Trust Fund for the LADBS.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Summary:

On March 22, 2017, your Committee considered a November 17, 2016 LADBS report relative to a FY 2016-17 Interim Budget Request for one Accountant II position to administer the Development Services Trust Fund (DSTF) for the LADBS. According to the LADBS, it is requesting one Accountant II position to administer the DSTF, formerly known as the Construction Services Trust Fund. On October 25, 2016, Council adopted Ordinance No. 184548 (Ordinance) amending Section 5.321 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) with respect to the DSTF. Pursuant to the changes detailed in the LADBS report, the One-Stop Permit Center Surcharge increased from two percent to three percent in order to fund the cost of BuildLA, estimated at \$21.7 million. The surcharge will then revert back to two percent after the cost of BuildLA is recovered.

The Ordinance further provided that LADBS shall be responsible for maintaining the accounting records relating to the DSTF and will prepare monthly reports on the status of the Fund that will be filed with the CAO. Not funding this request will inhibit the LADBS's ability to administer the fund, which will include timely monitoring of Fund revenue and expenditures for Development Services departments and the BuildLA project, and hinder the LADBS's ability to be in compliance with the Ordinance and all applicable City rules and regulations.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Interim Budget Request as detailed in the November 17, 2016 LADBS report and the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ:	YES
RYU:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	ABSENT

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