

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to expanding Fire District 1 to include all areas within the City covered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Very High Severity Zone and the City's High Wind Velocity Zone, including high density population centers.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Blumenfield - Rodriguez - Harris-Dawson):

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), and the Department of City Planning (DCP), in consultation with the City Attorney, to:

- a. Prepare and present an Ordinance to expand Fire District 1 to include all areas within the City covered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Very High Fire Severity Zone and City's High Wind Velocity Zone, as well as high density population centers with a population density of at least 5,000 residents per square mile.
- b. Update Fire District 1 to reflect population growth every ten years according to the United States Census, as defined by the Office of Management and Budget.
- c. Prepare and present an Ordinance to require a Fire Protection Plan, as allowed under the Chapter 33 of the Los Angeles Fire Code, for all new and significantly altered projects over 150,000 square feet and/or 100,000 square feet if the building is over 30 feet in height; and, make recommendations to ensure proper enforcement.
- d. Provide recommendations to the Council on how to ensure that top-quality, skilled and responsible construction practices are utilized and guaranteed for new multifamily and commercial structures within the high risk areas encompassed in Fire District 1.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on December 3, 2019, the PLUM Committee considered Motion (Blumenfield - Rodriguez - Harris-Dawson) relative to instructing the LAFD, LADBS, and DCP, in consultation with the City Attorney, to prepare and present an Ordinance that would expand Fire District 1 to include all areas within the City covered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Very High Severity Zone and the City's High Wind Velocity Zone, including high density population centers. LAFD and LADBS staff

provided an overview of the matter. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the PLUM Committee recommended to approve the Motion, as amended. This matter was transmitted to the Public Safety Committee for further consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
PRICE:	YES
LEE:	YES
CEDILLO:	ABSENT

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