

Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney
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REPORT NO. R24-0039
Jan.31, 2024

REPORT RE:

**REVISED DRAFT ORDINANCE ADDING SECTION 165.11 TO ARTICLE 5 OF
CHAPTER XVI OF THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE
EVICTION PROTECTIONS FOR TENANTS AWAITING DISBURSEMENT
OF ULA ERAP RENTAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration, approved as to form and legality, the enclosed revised draft ordinance. The original draft ordinance was submitted concurrently with Report No. R24-0035 dated January 30, 2024. The revised draft ordinance amends the text of the draft ordinance to reflect the full application period for rental assistance from the City of Los Angeles United to House Los Angeles Emergency Renters Assistance Program (“ULA ERAP”), which was open from September 19, 2023 through October 31, 2023 (as opposed to October 2, 2023, in the original draft). There are no other changes.

As stated in Report No. R24-0035, the draft ordinance adds Subsection 165.11 to Article 5, Chapter XVI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to provide eviction protections for tenants whose rental assistance application to the City of Los Angeles ULA ERAP is approved on or before May 31, 2024, and where the ULA ERAP rental assistance payment has not yet been dispersed. Pursuant to the City Council’s instructions, this Office consulted with the Los Angeles Housing Department to prepare the draft revised ordinance.

CEQA Findings

This Office recommends that the City Council find that the adoption of this revised draft ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) through Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Article II, Section 1 of the City CEQA Guidelines. If you concur, you should adopt this finding prior to or concurrent with taking action on this ordinance.

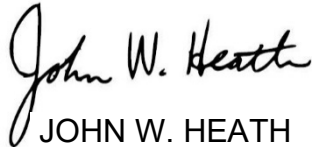
Council Rule 38 Referral

Pursuant to Council Rule 38, concurrently with this transmittal, a copy of the revised draft ordinance will be sent to the Los Angeles Housing Department, with a request that any comments be transmitted directly to Council or its Committees when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Peter Walford at (213) 922-8374. A member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Transmittal