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TO: Interested Parties
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SUBJECT: **ANNUAL FEE INFLATION ADJUSTMENT FOR PLANNING AND LAND USE FEES (LAMC CHAPTER 1A, ARTICLE 15) TO TAKE EFFECT ON JANUARY 27, 2025, IN ALIGNMENT WITH LAMC ARTICLE 9, CHAPTER 1 PLANNING AND LAND USE FEES, PREVIOUSLY ADJUSTED ON JULY 1, 2024**

Article 15 ("Fees"), codified in Chapter 1A of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), provides for an automatic annual inflation adjustment, pursuant to Ordinance No. 188,418, adopted on December 4, 2024. The Chapter 1A Planning and Land Use fees will take effect on January 27, 2025, as a rate consistent with the Chapter 1, Article 9, Sections 19.00 to 19.12 fees that were last adjusted per the automatic annual inflation adjustment on July 1, 2024, in accordance with Ordinance 188,063 -- a fee ordinance that established the base fees listed in Article 9 of LAMC Chapter 1, codified at LAMC Section 19.00 et seq. The fees listed in Article 15 of LAMC Chapter 1A (shown in the attached, titled "Article 15. Fees") will be adjusted to align with the Chapter 1 adjusted Consumer Price Index (CPI) fee (that reflects a 3.5% increase from the base fee), as set forth in Ordinance No. 188,063.

In accordance with Chapter 1A, Section 15.1.1.E, enclosed herein are the calculated inflation adjustment fees of 3.5%, which have been determined based on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in the Los Angeles area, based on an average for the 12-month period ending in December 2023. (See Council File No. 09-0969-S4, "Communication dated 6-24-24 - Director of Planning Correction" and "Attachment to Communication dated 6-24-24 - Revised Adjusted Fee Schedule.") The column labeled "CPI Adjusted Fee 3.5% Eff. 7/1/24", displays the most recent year-over-year change with CPI-U. This updated fee schedule, incorporating the CPI-adjusted fee amounts, will take effect on the Ordinance effective date of **January 27, 2025**, in accordance with Ordinances 188,063 and 188,418.