

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

An ordinance amending Articles 1, 3, and 4 of Chapter 34 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC), in their entirety; amending the title of Article 5, and Section 22.1413 of Article 2, and Section 22.1440 of Article 5 and Section 22.1450 of Article 6, of Chapter 34 of Division 22 of the LAAC; amending Sections 4.61, 5.450, 5.460, 5.564, 5.574, 5.578, 5.579, 5.580, 5.584, 5.590, 7.27.2, 7.303, 7.304, 8.202, 10.44.1, 10.44.2, 11.5.1, and 14.8 of the LAAC; amending Article 1.17 of Chapter II, and Sections 166.03 and 200.124, of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC); amending Section 14.5.12 of the Los Angeles Planning and Zoning Code; adding Section 22.1441 to Article 5 of Chapter 34 of Division 22 of the LAAC; adding a new Article 7 to Chapter 34 of Division 22 of the LAAC; adding a new Article 10 to Chapter 24, Division 22 of the LAAC; repealing Chapters 19, 22, 30, and 33 of Division 22 of the LAAC in their entirety, except for Section 22.471.1 of Chapter 19, which is renumbered to be Section 22.619, and added to the new Article 10 of Chapter 24, Division 22 of the LAAC; to change the name of the Community Investment for Families Department to be the Community Investment Department, to effectuate the dissolution of the Department of Aging, the Economic Development Department, and the Youth Development Department, and to transfer to and consolidate within the renamed Community Investment Department all duties and responsibilities of those departments and those of the Community Investment for Families Department, including the development and administration of all programs, services, and required plans under their purview until dissolution, and making necessary changes to certain other provisions of the LAAC, LAMC and Planning and Zoning Code to effectuate these purposes.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Chapter 22 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is repealed in its entirety.

Sec. 2. Chapter 30 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is repealed in its entirety.

Sec. 3. Chapter 33 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is repealed in its entirety.

Sec. 4. The title of Chapter 34 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended to read "Community Investment Department."

Sec. 5. Article 1 of Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended in its entirety as follows:

## CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE 1

### CREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT

#### **Sec. 22.1400. Creation of the Department.**

The Community Investment Department, referred to in this chapter as the "Department", is hereby created as a department within the City of Los Angeles government. The Department shall have the powers, duties, and responsibilities set forth in this chapter and elsewhere in the City Charter, Los Angeles Municipal Code, and Los Angeles Administrative Code.

#### **Sec. 22.1401. Purpose of the Department.**

The Department is established to provide planning, coordination, direction, and management of community investment activities and services provided by the City in accordance with federal, state, and local laws, and rules, regulations, guidelines, agreements, and policies established thereunder.

The Department shall, on behalf of the City:

(a) plan, coordinate, direct, and manage various activities, services, and programs provided by the City to support low-income families and poverty reduction initiatives;

(b) provide for proper implementation of workforce development activities, services, and programs within the City;

(c) provide for the proper planning, coordination, promotion, stimulation, implementation, and management of economic development programs and activities within the City as part of an economic development model whereby the City can more readily partner with other public entities and private entities to best leverage public and private funds to foster economic development within the City and to best support business attraction, retention, and expansion as well as job creation and economic growth;

(d) provide for proper planning, coordination, direction, and management of various activities and services provided by the City for older adults; and

(e) provide for proper planning, coordination, direction, and management of various activities and services provided by the City for the City's youth.

Sec. 6. Section 22.1413 of Article 2 of Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended in its entirety as follows:

**Sec. 22.1413. Powers and Duties of General Manager.**

(a) The General Manager shall exercise the powers and duties of General Manager as described in Section 21.1.

(b) In addition, the General Manager shall execute contracts and contract amendments, subject to the provisions of the Charter and of Article 1 of Division 14 of this Code, on behalf of the City to implement projects approved by the Council and the Mayor as to scope, dollar amount, and area and persons served in approving federal or state grant award contracts for receipt of financial or technical assistance. Provided, however, that the General Manager shall have the power to execute modifications to existing contracts with parties other than grantors, as indicated herein. Such modifications shall be serially numbered or alphabetically lettered for each contract modified, duly executed by the appropriate parties, approved as to form by the City Attorney, and filed with the City Clerk, the Controller, and other interested agencies. It is the intent of this paragraph to provide for the expeditious processing of contract amendments and administrative requirements thereto in order to implement programs, projects, and contracts approved by the Mayor and Council. It is not the intent that this paragraph be used to make substantial changes or modifications of contracts, programs, or projects not consistent with the intent of the Mayor and Council. This paragraph shall apply to modifications to contracts as follows:

(1) Adjustment of funds between cost categories within contracts. Funds may be reallocated between cost categories, provided such reallocation does not alter the scope of service or general level of services specified in the contract. Adjustments may not increase or decrease the cost categories in excess of \$25,000 per adjustment up to a maximum of \$25,000 per Council-approved contract period.

(2) Review and approve all modifications that change any salaries or fringe benefits.

(3) Non-Financial Modifications. Contracts may be modified to correct administrative errors or oversights, provided the modifications do not change the scope or level of services to be provided, or the area or segment of the population to be served.

(4) Modifications which must comply with policies and procedures established by the City Administrative Officer include the following: modifications to change the contract funding level by an amount not to exceed \$1,000 per Council-approved contract period to correct administrative errors, oversights, provide for unanticipated costs increases of contract items previously budgeted, or provide for other costs deemed reasonable and necessary by the General Manager, provided that the modification does not substantially change the scope or level of service to be provided or the area or segment of the population to be served. Accordingly, subject to the prior approval of the City Administrative

Officer, funds of not more than \$1,000 per Council-approved contract period may be transferred between project contract accounts of all special funds administered by the Department. Notwithstanding the foregoing, modifications which are not within the prerogative of the City shall not be made without prior written authorization of the grantor.

Sec. 7. Article 3 of Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is hereby amended in its entirety as follows:

### **CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE 3**

#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT**

##### **Sec. 22.1420. Duties and Responsibilities.**

The Department shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

(a) Plan, develop, implement, and administer programs, policies, and neighborhood capital improvement projects related to poverty reduction and improving quality of life for low-income families, including improving access to financial literacy and child-care services and programming relating to early childhood education, as directed by and authorized by the Mayor and City Council;

(b) Plan, develop, and administer the City's Community Action Plan and Consolidated Plan and all related reports and documents. The development of the City's Community Action Plan and Consolidated Plan includes, but is not limited to, tracking the attainment of proposed goals on an annual basis to ensure compliance with federal rules and regulations as prescribed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(c) Manage grant and City funds to support the City's existing programs and new initiatives supporting its low-income families and poverty reduction efforts, including neighborhood capital improvement projects funded through the Consolidated Plan;

(d) Establish and direct specific task forces and committees, as needed, for the purpose of analyzing specific issues and making specific recommendations on an as-needed basis;

(e) Administer public facilities and infrastructure improvement programs as part of the City's community development strategy for a safer and more accessible infrastructure essential to quality of life;

(f) Have centralized authority over the planning, coordinating, promoting, implementing, and managing of all economic development activities within the City;

(g) Be responsible, upon the provision of resources, for the proper administration of Department activities, including the administration of any publicly funded economic development activity, whether funded by federal, state, county, or other governmental agencies or departments via grants-in-aid, block grants, special revenue sharing, loans, loan guarantees, new market tax credits, industrial development bonds, or other economic development programs, and of any privately funded economic development activity, including public-private partnerships with financial institutions, investors, for-profit and non-profit corporations, or any other person or entity, and other activities assigned by the Council and the Mayor in order to carry out the functions set forth in this chapter;

(h) Recommend to the Council and Mayor a four-year City-wide economic development strategy with input from the Mayor, the City Council, interested private economic development entities, and the City's other economic development partners that will be updated annually and that will set forth, among other things, the intended use of funds for economic development activities;

(i) Assist businesses with navigating the City's business-related processes and procedures and provide assistance to such entities in accessing state or federal programs;

(j) Establish a more business-friendly environment within the City to achieve the goals of increasing jobs, stimulating business activity, and growing the City tax base;

(k) Administer the BusinessSource Center Program and make recommendations and/or implement changes to the program to ensure the City fulfills its objective of assisting small businesses;

(l) Establish a workforce development team to manage federal development initiatives and establish partnerships with industry groups, employers, labor, educational institutions, and community-based organizations to further develop job training and career pathway programs and opportunities for City residents in compliance with all applicable laws and agreements, including the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and the Workforce Development Board-Local Elected Official Agreement;

(m) Manage WorkSource Center, YouthSource Center, and other employment and training programs to ensure consistent service delivery, performance accountability, and alignment with the City's economic development priorities and the workforce policies and strategies established by the City of Los Angeles Workforce Development Board, pursuant to the Workforce

Innovation and Opportunity Act, the Workforce Development Board-Local Elected Official Agreement, and other applicable authority;

(n) Carry out and oversee administrative responsibilities in accordance with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, City ordinances and administrative procedures, and the Workforce Development Board-Local Elected Official Agreement, if applicable. Such responsibilities may include but are not limited to development and implementation of the Four-Year Local Plan, Regional Plan, and the Local Annual Plan, including receipt and disbursement of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funds in accordance with grant requirements, preparation of grant applications, contracting and contract administration, fiscal administration, and accounting and auditing;

(o) Administer social services programs and commissions relating to poverty reduction and low-income families, including the Community Action Board, the Domestic Violence Alliance, the Commission on Community and Family Services, FamilySource Centers, domestic violence and human trafficking shelters, early childhood programming, and homeless prevention programs;

(p) Prepare, maintain, and update, as necessary, a comprehensive analysis of the City's economic environment, including physical, economic, and social factors of economic development;

(q) Provide technical assistance and information relative to economic development to City departments, bureaus, agencies, officers, and offices;

(r) Propose, develop, and implement older adult programs established by the Mayor and City Council for the purpose of promoting health, independence, social connection, and overall quality of life for older adults;

(s) Establish comprehensive, coordinated services and opportunities for older adults;

(t) Provide assistance to individuals and organizations desiring to initiate or develop services for older adults;

(u) Administer and oversee older adult programs, services, and activities funded by federal and state grants, including Older Americans Act funds, City appropriations, and other sources of funds, whether private or governmental. The Mayor and the City Council intend that the Department shall implement and carry out all programs, services, and activities developed by the City to benefit older adults;

(v) Plan and coordinate older adult programs and activities which may be implemented by or through the cooperation of other City departments;

(w) Prepare area plans which describe the distribution and utilization of funds, such as Older Americans Act funds, available for older adult programs, for consideration by the City Council and the Mayor;

(x) Serve as the central information center for the public to access youth services in the City of Los Angeles;

(y) Review and report on all youth-serving activities within all City departments, including the collection of programmatic information that is necessary to obtain baseline data about the quality of the City's youth development efforts;

(z) Develop a road map for long-term youth program planning;

(aa) Coordinate with other City departments, regional agencies, and other providers of youth services to develop and implement a youth strategy as part of the Department's broader strategic planning efforts, including a City-wide three-year Youth Development Strategic Plan;

(bb) Advise the Mayor and the City Council on the City youth program to ensure efficient use of City resources and the greatest return on investment; and

(cc) Provide necessary staffing for the Olivia E. Mitchell Youth Council.

**Sec. 22.1421. Transferred Resources, Rules, and Regulations.**

(a) The budgetary and grant resources, assets, and personnel of the Department of Aging, Community Investment for Families Department, Economic and Workforce Development Department, and Youth Development Department are hereby transferred to the Department, consistent with adopted instructions.

(b) Rules and regulations previously authorized and adopted by any predecessor department, and operative on the effective date of this chapter with respect to existing City programs, activities, and services, shall remain in full force and effect until further action or order.

Sec. 8. Article 4 of Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended in its entirety as follows:

## CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE 4

### COOPERATION AND COORDINATION

#### **Sec. 22.1430. Cooperation with the Department.**

All boards, officers, departments, and bureaus of the City shall cooperate with the Department to expand economic development and neighborhood capital improvement and to reduce poverty and improve quality of life for low-income residents and families, older adults, and youth in the City and, in particular, shall assist and cooperate with the Department's activities and programs supporting these purposes.

All departments, employees, and officers of the City shall cooperate with the Department to transfer and consolidate all community investment duties and functions into the Department; provided, however, that no such department, employee, or officer shall be required to do anything which would conflict with the lawful, proper, and necessary conduct of their duties.

#### **Sec. 22.1431. Coordination with Other Agencies.**

The Department shall, whenever practical, coordinate its programs with any other similar agency or department so as to avoid duplication of effort and ensure an effective working relationship between the City and other departments or agencies focusing on poverty reduction, social services, economic development, neighborhood capital improvement projects, older adult services, youth development, and compliance with any and all applicable laws and regulations.

Sec. 9. The title of Article 5 of Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is changed from "Community Action Board" to "Mileage Reimbursement."

Sec. 10. Subsection (3) of Section (a) of Section 22.1440 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended by deleting the reference to "Community Investment for Families Department" and replacing it with "Community Investment Department."

Sec. 11. Section 22.1441 is added to Article 5 of Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 22.1441. Mileage Reimbursement for Council on Aging Members.**

(a) Volunteer members of the Council on Aging who provide information and advice to the Department pursuant to regulations under the Older Americans Act may be reimbursed for mileage costs, subject to the following:

(1) Mileage reimbursement shall be available only to duly appointed volunteer members of the Council on Aging.

(2) Reimbursement shall only be available for mileage incurred in attending regular meetings, board meetings, and committee meetings of the Council on Aging, and for making site visits within the City of Los Angeles as specified in the "Bylaws of the City of Los Angeles Council on Aging";

(3) Reimbursement shall be limited to the availability of federal and state grant funds within the Department budget account designated as "travel," and approved by the grantor that the reimbursement is an eligible cost;

(4) Reimbursement shall be available for mileage incurred while driving privately owned and operated motor vehicles to and from meetings and activities as specified in Subdivision (2) of this Subsection (a). The actual mileage subject to reimbursement shall not exceed the equivalent of a round trip between the member's principal place of residence and the location of the Council on Aging meeting or activity attended. The cents-per-mile reimbursement rate shall be in accordance to an amount equal to the annual standard car mileage allowance as determined by the Internal Revenue Service. The City Administrative Officer shall certify to the Controller appropriate changes, if required, to become effective the beginning of the pay period in which January 1 falls.

(5) No claim for mileage reimbursement shall be honored unless the Council on Aging member, before incurring mileage costs, shall have first filed proof with the Department that a satisfactory policy of public liability insurance covering the use and operation of that member's privately owned vehicle has been obtained and proof that said insurance policy was in full force and effect throughout the period for which reimbursement is claimed. The limits of liability on such policy shall not be less than \$15,000 in the case of injury or death of one person, and \$30,000 in the case of injury to or death of more than one person, and in the case of property damage not less than \$10,000 in any one accident.

(6) The Department obtaining and maintaining, subject to the availability of federal or state grant funds, as a supplement to each individual policy referred to hereinabove, a policy of excess public liability insurance covering the use and operation of each and every privately owned motor vehicle for which reimbursement could be sought hereunder. That policy shall be kept in full force and effect throughout the period for which any volunteer may claim reimbursement for mileage. The limits of liability on any such policy shall not be less than \$500,000 in the case of injury or death of one person, and \$500,000 in the case of injury or death of more than one person, and in the case of property damage not less than \$50,000 in any one accident. Said policy shall indemnify the City, or pay on behalf of the City up to the extent of the limits of liability, against loss or liability arising out of the use of every vehicle for purposes specified in Subdivision (2) of this Subsection (a); and

(7) Volunteer members shall be reimbursed for the actual cost of utilizing public transportation to attend Council on Aging meetings and activities

as specified in Subdivision (2) of this Subsection (a) but reimbursement shall not exceed the rate of \$.18 per mile traveled round trip from that member's principal place of residence to those meetings and activities.

(b) The Department shall develop and maintain appropriate procedures, forms, and records needed to implement and administer the provisions of this section.

Sec. 12. Article 7 is added to Chapter 34, Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to read as follows:

## **CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE 7**

### **CONTROL, ACQUISITION, AND DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Sec. 22.1460. Control of Real Property for Economic Development.**

Notwithstanding the authority provided to the Department of General Services in Chapter 21 of Division 22 of this Code, the Department shall have charge, superintendence, and control of all City-owned real property, the use of which currently is or is intended to be for economic development purposes, projects, or activities.

#### **Sec. 22.1461. Real Property.**

The Department shall, subject to the provisions of this chapter, as well as applicable federal, state, and local laws, have the powers provided in this section for the acquisition, development, and disposition of real property for economic development purposes, projects, and activities.

(a) **Acquisition of Real Property.** The Department, subject to Council authorization, shall have the power and is authorized to acquire any real property by purchase, lease, gift, devise, or any other means authorized by law that may be necessary or convenient to carry out its economic development functions under this chapter.

(b) **Demolition and Clearance of Real Property.** Except as otherwise provided in the Charter, the Department is authorized to perform the following powers on City-owned real property:

(1) Demolish and clear buildings, structures, and other improvements as necessary to carry out the purposes and objectives of this chapter;

(2) Take such actions as it deems reasonably necessary to prepare real property for development; and

(3) Take such actions as it deems reasonably necessary to remedy any hazardous material or condition.

(c) Conveyance of City Interests in Real Property. The Department is authorized to convey any interest owned or controlled by the City in real property at its fair reuse value to carry out the public purposes and objectives of this chapter in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 7.27.2 of this Code. Any such conveyance shall be made pursuant to one or more agreements requiring the development, use, and maintenance of such real property for economic development, and such agreement(s) shall additionally require as a condition precedent to the conveyance that one or more deed restrictions be recorded against the conveyed interest restricting the development and use and requiring the maintenance of such real property so as to insure that the economic development purpose for which the conveyance was made is fulfilled for such period of time as is determined to be appropriate.

#### **Sec. 22.1462. Relocation of Displaced Persons.**

If and to the extent the execution of any agreement or any aspect of development or operation of an economic development project or activity results in the permanent or temporary displacement of any occupants of a site, the Department shall insure full compliance with applicable statutes and regulations with respect to relocation planning, advisory assistance, and payment of monetary benefits.

Sec. 13. Article 10 is added to Chapter 24 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to read as follows:

#### **CHAPTER 24, ARTICLE 10**

#### **AFFORDABLE HOUSING CREDITS**

Sec. 14. Chapter 19 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is repealed in its entirety, except for Section 22.471.1, which is renumbered to be Section 22.619, and moved to Article 10 of Chapter 24 of Division 22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

Sec. 15. Sections 4.61, 5.450, 5.564, and 22.1450 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code are amended by deleting all references to "Community Investment for Families Department" and replacing them with "Community Investment Department."

Sec. 16. Section 5.336 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended by deleting all references to "Community Development Department" and replacing them with "Community Investment Department."

Sec. 17. Sections 5.460, 5.574, 5.578, 5.579, 5.580, 5.584, 5.590, 7.27.2, 10.44.2, and 11.5.1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code are amended by deleting all

references to “Economic Development Department,” “Economic and Workforce Development Department,” “Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD),” and “EWDD” and replacing each of them with “Community Investment Department.”

Sec. 18. Section 7.303 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended by deleting the reference to “Community Development Department (CDD)” and replacing it with “Community Investment Department” and by deleting the reference to “Workforce Investment Board” and replacing it with “Workforce Development Board.”

Sec. 19. Section 7.304 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended by deleting the reference to “HCED” and replacing it with “Economic Development and Jobs.”

Sec. 20. Section 8.202 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended by deleting the reference to “Community Development Department” and replacing it with “Community Investment Department” and by deleting the reference to “Community and Economic Development Committee” and replacing it with “Economic Development and Jobs Committee.”

Sec. 21. Section 10.44.1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended by deleting the following definition: “EWDD” means the Economic and Workforce Development Department’s Workforce Development System.”

Sec. 22. Subdivision (b)(1)C of Section 14.8 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended to read as follows:

C. For purposes of administering the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act grant, the General Manager of the Los Angeles Community Investment Department shall have the authority to negotiate and execute contracts as set forth in the agreement between the Workforce Development Board and the Chief Local Elected Official.

Sec. 23. Article 1.17 of Chapter II of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended by deleting all references to “Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD)” and “Community Development Department” and replacing them with “Community Investment Department.”

Sec. 24. Section 166.03 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended by deleting the reference to “Community Investment for Families Department (CIFD)” and replacing it with “Los Angeles Housing Department.”

Sec. 25. Section 200.124 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended by deleting the reference to “Economic and Workforce Development Department” and replacing it with “Community Investment Department.” Nothing in this section is

intended to alter or otherwise amend the sunset provision in Section 200.127 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

Sec. 26. Section 14.5.12 of the Los Angeles Planning and Zoning Code is amended by deleting the references to “Economic and Workforce Development Department” and replacing them with “Community Investment Department.”

Sec. 27. This ordinance shall become operative on July 1, 2026, or upon the effective date of this ordinance, whichever is later.

Sec. 28. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this ordinance is found to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, that invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance which can be implemented without the invalid provisions, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance and each provision thereof irrespective of whether any one or additional provisions are found invalid, unconstitutional, or otherwise unenforceable.

Sec. 29. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_