



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney
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REPORT RE:

DRAFT 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 LOS ANGELES PLANNING AND ZONING CODE TO EFFECTUATE THESE PURPOSES



The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Council File No. 25-0600-S43

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration, the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance creates a new Community Investment Department through the consolidation of the Community Investment for Families Department, the Department of Aging, the Economic and Workforce Development Department, and the Youth Development Department. The draft ordinance transfers all of the duties and responsibilities of those existing departments to the new Community Investment Department (CID), including the development and administration of all programs, services, and required program plans under the purview of the existing departments.

The draft ordinance also makes a number of changes to the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) and other codes to effectuate the City Council's consolidation instruction, including the following amendments:

- Chapter 34 ("Community Investment for Families Department") of Division 22 of the LAAC (hereinafter "Chapter 34") is restructured and renamed to create the new CID, consolidating the existing powers and duties of the merged departments to plan, coordinate, manage and implement various activities, services, and programs in support of low-income families and poverty reduction initiatives, older adults, youth, workforce development, and economic development in the City, including, but not limited to the power to acquire, develop, and dispose of real property for purposes of economic development, into the new CID;
- Chapter 22 ("Department of Aging"), Chapter 30 ("Economic Development Department"), and Chapter 33 ("Youth Development Department") of Division 22 of the LAAC are all repealed in their entirety; and
- Various sections of the LAAC, the Los Angeles Municipal Code, and the Los Angeles Planning and Zoning Codes are amended to delete references to "Community Investment for Families Department," "Economic Development Department," and "Economic and Workforce Development Department" and replace them with "Community Investment Department."

The draft ordinance also repeals Chapter 19 of the LAAC to formally dissolve the former Community Development Department (CDD). To the extent that any remnant responsibilities of the former CDD contained in Chapter 19 are performed by or under the purview of an existing City department, the draft ordinance transfers such responsibilities to the department currently handling those duties. These changes related to the former CDD include renumbering the affordable housing credits section of the LAAC (Section 22.471.1 of Chapter 19) to be Section 22.619 of Chapter 24 of Division 22 of the LAAC, which is the chapter that forms the Los Angeles Housing Department, and amending various other code sections to delete references to "Community Development Department" and replace them with "Community Investment Department."

Finally, the draft ordinance makes additional technical corrections and amendments to effectuate the purposes summarized above and to update outdated references.

Council Rule 38 Referral


A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Community Investment for Families Department, the Housing Department, the Youth Development Department, the Department of Aging, the Economic and Workforce Development Department, the City Administrative Officer, the Chief Legislative Analyst, and the City Controller for review and input. Comments received prior to the date of this transmittal were considered by this Office and incorporated into the draft presented. Additional comments from these offices and departments, if any, were requested to be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant City Attorney Heather Aubry at heather.aubry@lacity.org. A member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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