

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to proposed non-profit lease with the Wilmington Historical Society (WHS) for use of the City-owned space at 309 West Opp Street (the former Wilmington Library).

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (McOsker – Harris-Dawson):

1. DIRECT the Department of General Services, with the assistance of the City Attorney and the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to negotiate a new non-profit lease with the WHS for use of the of the City-owned space at 309 West Opp Street (the former Wilmington Library).
2. FIND pursuant to Charter Section 371(e)(10) and Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.1 S(a)(10) that the use of competitive bidding would be undesirable and impractical for this contract, inasmuch as the WHS and its services are unique, and competitive bidding for this lease would be impractical.

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:

On August 5, 2025, your Committee considered a Motion (McOsker – Harris-Dawson) relative to proposed non-profit lease with the Wilmington Historical Society for use of the City-owned space at 309 West Opp Street (the former Wilmington Library). According to the Motion, the WHS is a group of City residents who wish to preserve what remains of Wilmington's historic structures. The WHS currently resides in the former Wilmington Library located at 309 West Opp Street. The Gang Alternative Project was formerly the primary tenant at this location but has now completely moved out. The WHS would like to become the primary tenant at this location in order to continue its community work and towards this end, will require a new lease agreement. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Motion. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Government Operations Committee

**COUNCILMEMBER VOTE**

PADILLA: YES

LEE: YES

JURADO: YES

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