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July 17, 2025

The Honorable City Council City of Los Angeles City Hall, Room 303 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Honorable City Council Members:

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 1001(d)(4)

The Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) requests exemption under Charter Section 1001(d)(4) for the following grant funded positions approved as part of the 2025-2026 budget process:

Classification Title	Class Code	No. of Positions
Assistant Chief Grants Administrator	1577	1
Project Assistant	1542	2

A copy of the specific section of the Blue Book from the budget year 2025-2026, reflecting approval of these new positions, is attached.

One Project Assistant position will be assigned to the Rent Stabilization Division of LAHD in the Eviction Defense Program (EDP) unit. The EDP is a City of LA program designed to promote housing stability by offering education and services such as eviction prevention and intervention, case management services offering housing stability, financial counseling and homeless prevention resources to families. The goal is to increase the City's capacity to assist low-income households facing possible eviction due to a high rent burden and other economic factors, especially those renters impacted by loss of income. This position will support the EDP mission by handling administrative functions such as: contract monitoring; invoice review, digital preparation and monthly submission; tracking/analysis of the approved budget/expenditures; compiling statistics of program metrics concerning services rendered; correspond with contractors/subcontractor related to program inquiries; and address internal departmental program inquiries. Funding for this position will be 100% grant funded by SB 2.

One Project Assistant will be assigned to the Administrative Services Division of LAHD in the Grants Unit. The objective of the Grants Unit is to provides department-wide administrative support for grant applications, acceptances, monitoring, and reporting. This position assists in preparing the housing portion of the City's Consolidated Plan, including updates to the annual Action Plan and the Five Year Strategy, for LAHD's entitlement grant funds (CDBG, HOME, HOPWA and ESG). Other duties will include: collect data on all of Housing's grant programs including amount of grants, grant deadlines for application and expenditures, actual expenditures, reporting requirements, and other performance monitoring data; assists staff in responding to grant program audits by oversight bodies or entities; collects necessary compliance documents, forms, and statistical and narrative reports; and tracks the implementation of any necessary corrective action plans to timely address issues and concerns emanating from compliance reviews. The funding split for this position will be as follows: HOME (50%), SB 2 (50%)

The Assistant Chief Grants Administrator will also be assigned to the Administrative Services Division of LAHD in the Grants Unit. This position supervises and directs the work of Grants staff engaged in providing various LAHD divisions with Federal and State grant applications, program budget development, monitoring of expenditures and/or reimbursement of grant funds, regulatory compliance and audit resolution. Duties include: Prepares and/or directs the preparation of statistical and narrative grant program reports; coordinates with staff to ensure the proper procedures and policies are communicated and followed by funded programs; assists in establishing the priorities of the unit in alignment with goals; collaborates with all partners and stakeholders to ensure their input on Department and program initiatives and policy direction; works with staff to respond to program audits by oversight bodies or entities; develops and implements necessary corrective action plans to timely address issues and concerns emanating from compliance reviews and adopts measures to continually improve the system in place; and coordinates training and employee development for Grants staff. The funding split for this position will be as follows: SB 2 (40%), HOME (40%), and other special funds (20%).

Accordingly, LAHD is requesting for exemption under Charter Section 1001(d)(4) and not under Charter Section 1001(b) – thus these exemption approvals will have no impact on the 150 position limit associated with exemptions under Charter Section 1001(b), as well as having no impact on the City's General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager of LAHD requests that the City Council:

Approve to exempt from civil service the above grant-funded positions in the Los Angeles Housing Department.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact James Wiebers, Los Angeles Housing Department Senior Personnel Analyst I, at (213) 744-7376.

Sincerely,

Keane

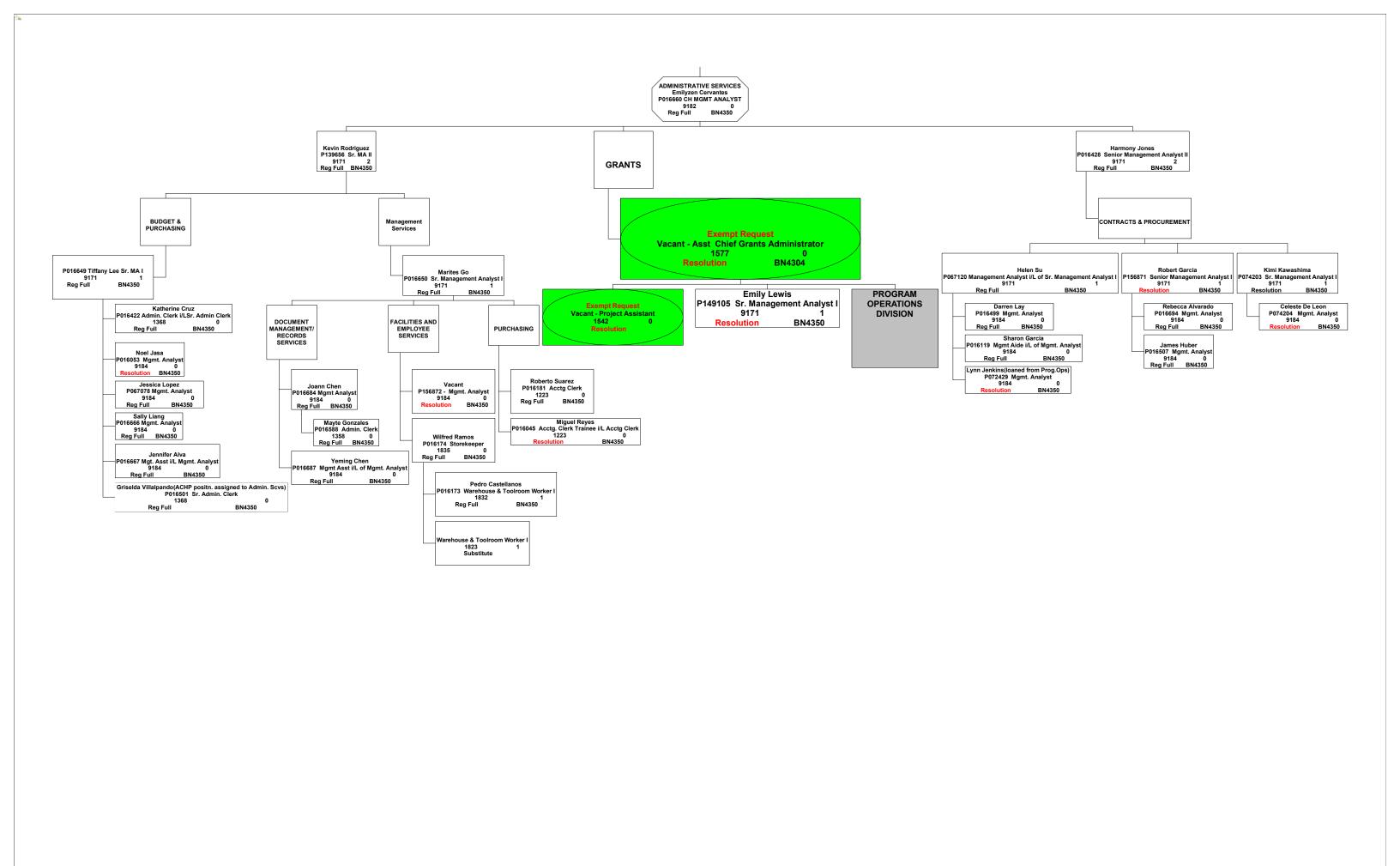
Tricia Keane, Executive Officer on behalf of Tiena Johnson Hall, General Manager Los Angeles Housing Department

Tenant Protections and Homelessness Prevention

Program Changes	Direct Cost	Positions	Total Cost
Changes in Salaries, Expense, Equipment, and Special			
Continuation of Services			
Continue funding and resolution authority for five positions consisting of one Principal Inspector, one Senior Housing Investigator I, one Senior Housing Inspector, one Housing Inspector, and one Administrative Clerk to establish an interagency housing task force to identify and stabilize multifamily properties in substandard condition. Funding is provided by the Systematic Code Inspection Fee Fund. Related costs consist of employee benefits. SG: \$611,869 Related Costs: \$290,815	611,869	-	902,684
Increased Services			
63. Eviction Defense Program Expansion Add funding and resolution authority for one Project Assistant to support the Eviction Defense Program. Funding is provided by SB 2 Permanent Local Housing Allocation Fund. Related costs consist of employee benefits. SG: \$69,226 Related Costs: \$40,656	69,226	-	109,882
Other Changes or Adjustments			
64. Tenant Protection and Homelessness Prevention Director Add funding and resolution authority for one Director of Enforcement Operations to oversee the tenant protection and homelessness prevention work. Funding is provided by the House LA Fund. Related costs consist of employee benefits. \$G: \$204,651 Related Costs: \$85,265	204,651	-	289,916
TOTAL Tenant Protections and Homelessness Prevention	3,267,311		
2024-25 Program Budget Changes in Salaries, Expense, Equipment, and Special 2025-26 PROGRAM BUDGET	3,267,311 3,267,311	-	

General Administration and Support

Program Changes	Direct Cost	Positions	Total Cost
Changes in Salaries, Expense, Equipment, and Special			
Continuation of Services			
81. Translation Services and Facilities Coordinator Continue funding and resolution authority for one Management Analyst to oversee translation services across the Department and support the Management Services Unit. Funding is provided by the Systematic Code Enforcement Fee Fund (\$39,372), Rent Stabilization Trust Fund (\$42,401), and other special funds (\$19,182). Related costs consist of employee benefits. SG: \$100,955 Related Costs: \$51,109	100,955	-	152,064
Increased Services			
82. Grants Unit Oversight Add funding and resolution authority for one Assistant Chief Grants Administrator to oversee the Supportive Housing Services section and other grant funded programs. Funding is provided by the SB 2 Permanent Local Housing Allocation Fund (\$56,224), HOME Investment Partnerships Fund (\$56,224), and other special funds (\$28,112). Related costs consist of employee benefits. SG: \$140,560 Related Costs: \$64,152	140,560	-	204,712
Add funding and resolution authority for one Project Assistant to provide support to the Grants Unit. Funding is provided by the SB 2 Permanent Local Housing Allocation Fund (\$43,262) and the HOME Investment Partnership Program Fund (\$43,262). Related costs consist of employee benefits. SG: \$86,524 Related Costs: \$46,354	86,524	-	132,878
TOTAL General Administration and Support	1,096,097	-	
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85%	Assist with Eviction Defense Program contract monitoring, including review of invoice submission, track/analyze the approved budget, and compare to monthly invoiced amounts, accounts, funds, and other supporting documents. Draft and submit the monthly EDP invoicing, prepare digital files of invoicing documents, prepare internal invoice transmittal to be approved and routed to accounting, and tracking expenditures. Record and maintain monthly statistics of program metrics concerning contract services rendered: outreach/ education, legal services/outcomes as reported by the Stay Housed Los Angeles (SHLA) platform, and rental assistance of which Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) / Senate Bill 2 (SB-2) is utilized as a source of fund for eviction defense purposes. PLHA 5-yr plan is to increase the City's capacity to assist low-income households at risk of homelessness and possible eviction due to a high rent burden and other economic factors, especially those renters impacted by loss of income.				
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per bulletin		
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				Division ADM	IN SERVICES	Section G	RANTS
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