PERSONNEL AND HIRING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the exemption of one Deputy City Engineer (Class Code 9490) position for the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the exemption of one Deputy City Engineer (Class Code 9490) position for the BOE from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Mayor. Neither the City Administrative Office nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - NOVEMBER 5, 2025

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - NOVEMBER 5, 2025)

Summary:

On October 24, 2025, your Committee considered an October 14, 2025 report from the Mayor relative to the exemption of one Deputy City Engineer (Class Code 9490) position for the BOE from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b). According to the Mayor, Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 persons to be exempt, of which 121 are approved, and an additional three are pending approval. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of the date of this letter, this request will be in the 122nd position of the additional 150 exemptions. There are an additional 50 exempt positions added by the City Council pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b)(4), of which 18 are filled. The Deputy City Engineer will serve as the Project Executive for the delivery of the \$2.6 billion Los Angeles Convention Center Expansion and Modernization Project (LACC Project) and oversee a combined staff of BOE employees and consultants, which is anticipated to peak at 38 staff.

This position will also be the lead for all required reporting to City Hall and the community, which includes Mayor's Office, City Council, the Board of Public Works, and the Municipal Facilities Oversight Committee. To effectively manage this significant and fast-moving project, the BOE's goal is to fill the position no later than mid-October 2025. The first Notice to Proceed to the design/build contractor is anticipated to be released on September 30, 2025. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the exemption as detailed in the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Personnel and Hiring Committee

COUNCILMEMBER: VOTE:

McOSKER: YES

RODRIGUEZ: YES

SOTO-MARTINEZ: ABSENT

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