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Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky, Chair
Budget and Finance Committee
Attn: Armando Bencomo

RE: COUNCIL FILE TRANSMITTAL – CF No. 25-1499

On January 16, 2026, the Economic Development and Jobs Committee considered Motion (Nazarian – Lee) relative to waiving Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) “spot check” fees, a report on LAFD’s ability to recover associated costs; and, reports on a strategy for proactive enforcement and public education initiative regarding Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.20 and lawful filming, establishment of a citywide Motion Picture Officer staffing matrix, implementation of a civilian Film Safety Officer classification; and, related matters.

After consideration, the Economic Development and Jobs Committee moved to approve the following recommendations, as amended:

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) to waive “spot check” fees for the following types of productions:
 - a. Productions assigned a Fire Safety Officer (FSO); or,
 - b. Productions who pay the fee but are never visited by a Fire Inspector.
2. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), in coordination with the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to report within 60 days on the fiscal impact, including the ability of LAFD to recover costs, of waiving “spot check” fees for the following types of productions:
 - a. Productions assigned a Fire Safety Officer (FSO); or,
 - b. Productions who pay the fee but are never visited by a Fire Inspector.
3. INSTRUCT the Board of Public Works, with assistance LAPD and City Attorney, and in consultation with FilmLA, to report within 60 days on recommendations for a strategy for proactive enforcement and a public education initiative regarding Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 41.20, specifically targeting communities impacted by filming and production

activities.

4. INSTRUCT the Board of Public Works, with assistance LAPD and City Attorney, and in consultation with FilmLA to develop and implement a community education plan regarding lawful filming, including:
 - a. Clear notice that “inconvenience payments” are not required for permitted filming.
 - b. Information on how residents can report harassment, price-gouging, or unlawful disruption.
 - c. Updated language on all FilmLA notices and the City’s filming website.
5. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department, in coordination with FilmLA and the Board of Public Works Film Liaison, to report to Council on establishing a citywide Motion Picture Officer (MPO) staffing matrix to ensure consistent deployment standards across all patrol divisions, and to eliminate unnecessary staffing minimums unless justified by a documented safety concern.
6. INSTRUCT the LAPD to report to Council within 60 days on current procedures for MPO firearm licensing and recommendations for ensuring that every MPO is up to date on all requisite licensing requirements to do with firearms.

This file is now transmitted to the Budget and Finance Committee.



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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
PRICE	YES
SOTO-MARTÍNEZ	YES
JURADO	YES
NAZARIAN	YES
PARK	YES

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