

PERSONNEL AND HIRING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the exemption of one Assistant General Manager (Class Code 9271) position for the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the exemption of one Assistant General Manager (Class Code 9271) position for the LAHD from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Mayor. Neither the City Administrative Officer (CAO) nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE – FEBRUARY 18, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – FEBRUARY 17, 2026)

Summary:

On February 13, 2026, your Committee considered a January 23, 2026 report from the Mayor relative to the exemption of one Assistant General Manager (Class Code 9271) position for the LAHD 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 127 are approved and two are pending. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of the date of this letter, this request will be in the 130th position of the 150 exemptions. The Assistant General Manager will be responsible for overseeing the work of the Homelessness Oversight Bureau, which will include serving as a policy and strategy advisor to LAHD's leadership, City Council, the Mayor, and the CAO, informing how the City allocates resources, determines policies, structures its participation in regional homelessness response, and plans for the future based on the Bureau's analysis of system performance, challenges, and needs. This position is also responsible for overseeing system wide program operations and implementation of the City's homelessness response, including street strategies, interim housing, rental assistance and permanent housing solutions, includes oversight of a \$1 billion budget of both General and Special Funds, ensuring all interventions and program service delivery comply with contracts, MOUs, funding restrictions, settlement requirements, Enhanced Comprehensive Homeless Strategy, and Best Practice Standards of Care. Additionally, the Assistant General Manager will be tasked with the development of a public relations and communications strategy for the City's homelessness response system. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the exemption. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Personnel and Hiring Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

McOSKER: YES

RODRIGUEZ: NO

SOTO-MARTINEZ: YES

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