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Councilmember Bob Blumenfield, Chair  
Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
Attention: Candy Rosales, Legislative Assistant

RE: COUNCIL FILE (CF) TRANSMITTAL – CF 26-0163

On June 16, 2026, the Budget and Finance Committee reconsidered the Department of Building and Safety (DBS) reports dated February 6, 2026 and February 24, 2026 relative to proposed rate adjustments for building permit and inspection fees, Board of Building and Safety Commissioners fees, and Residential Property Report fees; and, considered the DBS report dated June 15, 2026 relative to the proposed phasing for the fee adjustments and information regarding a benchmarking study of fees against other Los Angeles County non-contract cities. After discussion and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Budget and Finance Committee moved approval of the following recommendations:

1. APPROVE the Department of Building and Safety (DBS) report dated June 15, 2026, attached to the Council file, in order to implement a phased approach for the fee adjustments; and, AUTHORIZE Phase 1: Fees Applicable to Express Permits as detailed in said DBS report.
2. INSTRUCT the DBS, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to report back on the average timeline for commercial and residential permits issued in Phase 1, Phase 2, and Phase 3.
3. INSTRUCT the DBS to report back on ways to become revenue neutral without raising fees, such as efficiencies in self-certification, technological efficiencies, and elimination of any processes.

This Council file is now transmitted to the Planning and Land Use Management Committee for consideration of the DBS report dated June 15, 2026.

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HUTT:	YES
McOSKER:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES