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JOINT GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Telephonic and Online Monday, April 19, 2021

Approved May 20, 2021

Attendance: Saif Mogri, Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Tariq El-Atrache, Olivia Naturman, Steve Randall, Reeyan Raynes, Myrl Schreiberman, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

Public Attendance: None

Committee Co-chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. A quorum was established.

Comments from the Chair: None

Public Comment: None

Highlights of Mayor's State of the City Address: Joanne reviewed Mayor Garcetti's address and provided the following highlights.

- This will be the biggest budget in LA City history.
- \$75 million for covid vaccines and personal protective equipment
- Funding for social justice is included.
- Red tape will be cut to allow easier business resumption
- \$25 million in the form of \$5K to 5k businesses to open/reopen in LA
- \$1.5 million in modern carts for street vendors
- \$200 million in business subsidies
- \$300 million in aid
- LA is requesting \$700 million from FEMA.
- LA has purchased 20 building in the last 3 months for creation of housing for the unhoused.
- LA has requested funding for \$150 million for shelter beds from the state and federal governments.
- Free Metro services will be provided to low income residents.

The complete budget is available online.

The March meeting minutes were approved. Item 2 was tabled in March and left off the April agenda. The item will be on the May committee agenda.

Numbers refer to agenda items

1. CIS regarding City Council File 21-002-S19, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for the California Statewide Campaign, Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward, to urge the Congress and President of the United States to pass legislation that provides a permanent solution with a pathway to citizenship for all 11 million undocumented immigrants.

Yes – 8. No – 0, Abstain – 0

The CIS in support of CF 21-0002-S19 is approved and will be sent to the WHNC Board

2. CIS regarding City Council File 21-0002-S37, RESOLUTION relative to establishing the City's position regarding the 2021-22 State Legislative Program for SB 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act, which would require companies doing business in California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions.

Yes – 8. No – 0, Abstain – 0

The CIS in support of CF 21-0002-S37 is approved and will be sent to the WHNC Board

3. Municipal Bank of Los Angeles: Reeyan Raynes said this proposal has failed and there is no council file related to the item since 2019. The committee will discuss a possible CIS in opposition next month.

4. Event with the Street Services Department: Joanne will ask the manager of StreetsLA for a proposed meeting agenda.

Committee Co-chair Saif Mogri adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is May 17, 2021, online and telephonic.