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June 15, 2012

To All Interested Parties:

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File  
No. 12-0647-S1, at its meeting held June 13, 2012.

  
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COMMUNICATION

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

FILE NO. 12-0647-S1

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER TONY CÁRDENAS, CHAIR  
HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE relative to amending the Foreclosure Registry Program Ordinance.

Recommendations for Council action; pursuant to Motion (Garcetti – Alarcón):

1. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an amendment to the Foreclosure Registry Program Ordinance (No. 181185) within 60 days to include the following:
  - A. Enforcement fee on foreclosed properties that is levied at the notice of default.
  - B. Dedicated code enforcement staff to conduct proactive inspections of Registry properties.
  - C. Provisions requiring direct communication between banks and investor-owners of foreclosed properties and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS).
  - D. Requirement that banks and investor-owners report monthly on the status of their foreclosed properties.
2. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) to work with the Los Angeles County Assessor's Office to develop a system that provides more timely information to the LAHD regarding Notice of Default properties.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on June 13, 2012, the Chair of the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee considered Motion (Garcetti – Alarcón) relative to a request to the City Attorney to prepare and present an amendment to the Foreclosure Registry Program Ordinance (No. 181185) within 60 days to include: an enforcement fee on foreclosed properties, dedicated code enforcement staff to conduct proactive inspections of Registry properties, provisions requiring communication between banks and investor-owners of foreclosed properties and the LADBS, requirement that banks and investor-owners report monthly status of their foreclosed properties; and an instruction to the LAHD to work with the Los Angeles County Assessor's Office to develop a system that provides more timely information to the LAHD regarding Notice of Default properties.

During public comment for this matter, members of the public and various organizations communicated their support for the Motion or requested that the matter be given further consideration. Additionally, a representative of the Councilmember for the 13th Council District addressed the Committee Chair and noted that the City of Oakland has moved to a more proactive foreclosure registry program system which the City of Los Angeles is mirroring. The representative expressed the Councilmember's support for the Motion and noted that various stakeholders and financial institutions were included in the development of the original ordinance and would continue to be included to make the proposed amendments to the Ordinance successful.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee Chair recommended approval of Motion (Garcetti – Alarcón). This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER TONY CÁRDENAS, CHAIR  
HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CÁRDENAS:	YES
REYES:	ABSENT
WESSON:	ABSENT
ALARCÓN:	ABSENT
PERRY:	ABSENT



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**ADOPTED**  
\* as amended  
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see attached motion  
**LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**

# ITEM No. 12 - A

## MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of the Motion (Garcetti - Alarcon) relative to amending the Foreclosure Registry Program Ordinance (No. 181185) to include an enforcement fee on foreclosed properties levied at the notice of default, dedicated code enforcement staff to conduct proactive inspections of registry properties, provisions requiring direct communication and monthly status reports from banks and investor-owners of foreclosed properties, and cooperation with the Los Angeles County Assessor's Office to develop a system to provide more timely information regarding Notice of Default properties; and the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee report thereon, Item No. 12 on today's Council Agenda (CF 12-0647-S1); **BE AMENDED** to adopt the following additional recommendations:

INSTRUCT the CLA to work in conjunction with the CAO, LAHD, LAPD and the LADBS to conduct a fee analysis for the proposed foreclosure enforcement fee.

INSTRUCT the Department of Building and Safety to report within 30 days on a lead person that is dedicated to specifically overseeing this program.

INSTRUCT the Community Development Department to work with LAHD and LADBS to report on the establishment of a summer youth jobs component that would hire youth to proactively report foreclosed properties.

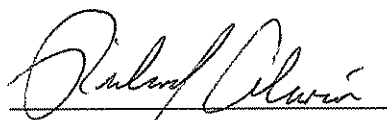
INSTRUCT the CLA to work with LAHD to report on ways to use the existing fees collected for the registry to proactively prevent foreclosures.

PRESENTED BY:



ERIC GARCETTI  
Councilman, 13<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



**ADOPTED**

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**LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**

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