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SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2014 – 1:00 P.M.

**CITY HALL, BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
SESSION ROOM 350
200 NORTH SPRING STREET, 3RD FLOOR
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Karen Mack, President
Leonard Shaffer, Vice President
Joy Atkinson
Lydia Grant
Victor Medina

ABSENT

Eli Lipmen
Olivia Rubio

DEPARTMENT STAFF PRESENT

Grayce Liu, General Manager
Leyla Campos, Senior Project Coordinator

CITY ATTORNEY REPRESENTATIVE

Alois Phillips, Deputy City Attorney

1. Introduction (5 minutes)

ACTION: President Mack gave the introduction.

2. Call to Order and Commission roll call. (1 minute)

ACTION: None.

3. Discussion regarding the limited staff and resources currently faced by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment ("Department") and possible

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suggestions that the City may implement to assist the Department, including but not limited to hiring additional Department staff. The Commission may take possible action on this item, including but not limited to conveying its written recommendation to the City, delegating the authority of the Commission to specific Commissioners to speak with certain identified City Officials on behalf of the Commission, and/or the establishment of an ad hoc committee to further evaluate this matter and report to the Commission at a later date. (30 minutes)

ACTION: Commissioner Shaffer made a motion for the Commission to authorize the Commission President to compose and send a letter to the City Council evidencing our support 1) For the creation of 50 more exempt positions and 2) For setting aside six additional positions for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment for the reasons we discussed here today. Commissioner Atkinson seconded the motion.

VOTE:

Ayes	<u>4</u>	(Atkinson, Grant, Mack, Shaffer)
Nays	<u>0</u>	
Abstention	<u>0</u>	
Absent	<u>3</u>	(Lipmen, Medina, Rubio)
TOTAL	<u>7</u>	

Motion Carries X
Fails _____

4. Adjourn

ACTION: Commissioner Shaffer moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Grant seconded the motion. Commissioner Medina left the meeting early.

VOTE:

Ayes	<u>4</u>	(Atkinson, Grant, Mack, Shaffer)
Nays	<u>0</u>	
Abstention	<u>0</u>	
Absent	<u>3</u>	(Lipmen, Medina, Rubio)
TOTAL	<u>7</u>	

Motion Carries X
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