

2. South Lake Parking Place Commission – Annual Report for July 2016 through June 2017 and Work Plan for 2017-2018

On the order of the Chair, and by consensus of the Committee, the information was received and filed.

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**REPORT ON SEISMIC RETROFITTING OF SOFT-STORY BUILDINGS**

Steve Mermell, City Manager, introduced the agenda item, Sarkis Nazerian, Building Official, and Daniel Zepeda and Jeff Roi, representing Degenkolb Engineers, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the agenda item, and responded to questions.

David Reyes, Director of Planning and Community Development, commented on the importance for the City to address issues related to the seismic retrofit of soft-story buildings, recommended that the matter be included as part of his Department's work plan for the upcoming fiscal year, and provided a generic framework for the effort, which included public outreach, engaging a consultant and working with the Committee to develop appropriate regulations.

The Mayor expressed strong support for the inclusion of the aforementioned effort in the Planning and Community Development Department's Fiscal Year 2019 Work Plan, noted his anticipation for a discussion on the proposed regulations at a future Committee meeting, thanked staff for identifying the significant public safety issue, and urged the Committee to support the effort, with Councilmember Hampton echoing Mayor Tornek's comments and concerns.

The Chair stated his support and highlighted various areas to be considered when developing recommendations for consideration by the Committee, such as grant funding options, insurance funding options, impacts to tenants, and assistance for landlords with smaller units. He also recommended that the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) be included in the effort.

In response to the Mayor, the Chair requested staff to prepare a timeline in connection with their work plan, noted the need to address the matter sooner than later, and to report back to the Committee with information on the matter in the near future.

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**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

In response to the Chair, Steve Mermell, City Manager, noted that the incident involving two Pasadena Police Officers and Mr. Christopher Ballew on November 9, 2017, is currently under a Use-of-Force review in accordance with the Police Department policies and procedures. Mayor Tornek added that the City will adhere to the Body Worn Camera policy as it relates to the release of the video.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the order of the Chair, the regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.