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					NEW OR UPDATED ITEMS			
1	5.07.5	Ordinance for Structual Changes	DSD/ Bob Chase	Go Directly to Council	The State of California has been delayed for several years in adopting a new building code. It has approved the new proposed code, and will be adopting it at the beginning of this July 2007; as a city we will then be adopting the code sometime thereafter. The code then becomes effective 180 days later, or at the beginning of 2008. The intent of this ordinance is to bring us into compliance with structural provisions of the new code in the interim period between now and when we adopt and implement the new code.	TBD	TBD	DSD
2	5.07.2	Amend Ordinance to Suspend the Permit Fee for Installing Solar Roofing for Single Family Units.	McCarty/ DSD/ Bob Chase	Go Directly to Council	At the April 3, 2007 Council CM McCarty requested that staff bring forward an ordinance that would suspend/waive a permit fee for installing solar roofing for single family homes.	No	TBD	DSD
3	5.07.1	Fire Code Amendments	Fire/ Troy Malaspino	Pending	The state will be revising its fire code this year. Staff will bring forward any necessary changes to reflect the changes at the state level.	TBD	TBD	Fire
4	5.07.3	An ordinance amending section 17.88.030(3), 17.88.030(7), 17.132.290(D), and 17.134.290(D) of Title 17 of the Sacramento City Code (Zoning Code) relating To Nonconforming Single-Family and Two-Family Structures and Uses"	DSD/ Sandra Yope	17-Jul-07	Staff has prepared an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow for legally constructed nonconforming structures on any parcel which legally contains a single-family or two-family use to be reconstructed in the event of a disaster regardless of the replacement cost of the structures, or the zone on which the parcel is located.	No	TBD	DSD
5	5.07.4	Regulation of Check Cashing and Pay Day Loan Stores	CM Sheedy/ CAO & CMO	Pending	At the May 15, 2007 Council Meeting, Councilmembers Sheedy, Hammond, McCarty, and Pannell have requested that the CAO explore the issue of regulating Check Cashing and Payday Loan Stores.	Yes	TBD	TBD
6	12.06.2	LEED Building Incentives	CM Tretheway/ DSD/ Bob Chase & Carl Hefner	N/A	On Dec. 12, 2006, CM Tretheway requested that staff research the feasibility of adopting an ordinance that is similar to what other localities across the US have adopted that incentivize developers to build LEED certified green buildings. Staff has responded to CM's request.	TBD	TBD	TBD

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					SCHEDULED LAW & LEG ITEMS			
7	4.07.2	Amendments to the Del Paso Special Planning District Relating to Somatic Practioners	CM Sheedy/ DSD/ Sandra Yope	17-Jul-07	At the 4/17/07 L&L meeting CM Sheedy directed staff to amend the Del Paso SPD plan to prohibit somatic establishment permits.	No	TBD	Development Services
					LAW AND LEG COMMITTEE ORDINANCE & REPORTS - DATE PENDING			
8	6.06.1	Docks Area Plan Ordinance	Econ Development/ Beth Tincher	Pending	Adopt, by ordinance, the Docks Area Specific Plan and Special Planning District.	TBD	TBD	TBD
9	1.05.2	Amend Tree Ordinance	Parks & Rec/Joe Benassini	Pending	Amend the City's Tree Ordinance to add section to: allow assessment of fees; prohibit topping of trees; and amend the tree permit appeals process.	To be Determined	To be determined	Parks & Rec
10	11.04.2	Establish Drug & Gun Free Zones and Creation of Civil Exclusion	Police/Sherri Scruggs	Pending	Subject heard by Committee on 12/7/04. Staff met with Portland DA and federal agencies to share information. CAO reviewing information provided. Staff has determined that the Portland model will not work due to constitutional challenges it has faced. The City Attorney's office is reviewing potential alternatives such as the Lancaster ordinance.	Possibly	Significant	Police/CAO
11	1.2	Update on Sign Ordinance and Sign Program	CM Waters/DSD/ Joy Patterson / CAO / Rich Archibald	Pending	Development Svcs staff will meet with CM Waters to provide an update. Report presented to Committee in January 2004. Committee provided feedback and directed staff to report back. CM Cohn asked that staff review the City of Portland's program for A-Frame signs and report as to whether this program can be implemented in the City as a pilot program.Staff is doing a citywide study and will come back to the committee when it is completed. **Council workshop is scheduled for 6/12/07.**	Yes	Significant	Dev Svcs/ NSD
12	09.04.02	Illegal Dumping Vehicle Impound Ordinance	CM Hammond Utilities/ Gary Reents	Pending	Provide for seizure and impound for a specified time for vehicles involved in illegal dumping. Code and CAO working on options. Pending court decision.	Potentially Yes	Significant	Utilities/Code
13	05.05.02	Housing Trust Fund Nexus Study	Planning Dept/ Carol Shearly	Pending	Item heard by Council on April 18 as part of the Affordable Housing Workshop. Based on the recommendations by Council, staff will bring this item to L&L.	Possibly	To Be Determined	Dev Svcs
14	08.05.1	Amend Ordinance Relating to Reward Program	Waters/Utilities/ Gary Reents	Pending	Amend ordinance relating to reward program to allow payment of reward at arrest and prosecution.	Unlikely	Limited	Utilities
15	12.04.1	Approved Alcohol Use Permits Processing	CM Hammond/ Police/Sherri Scruggs	Pending	Amend Chapter 17 of the City Code regarding deemed approved alcohol use permits processing. Heard by the Law & Leg Committee on 9/20/05.	Possibly	To be determined	Police/Code

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16	04.06.1	Ordinance to Regulate Valet Parking Operations	DOT/Howard Chan	Pending	Any valet parking operator who performs valet parking services at a restaurant or other place of public assembly will be required to have a valet parking permit.	TBD	TBD	DOT
17	5.06.1	Tot Lot Ordinance	CM Sheedy/Parks & Rec/Alan Boyd	Pending	CM Sheedy asked staff to research an ordinance that would give the city the necessary authority to keep tot lots available for use for only children and not adults.	TBD	TBD	Parks & Rec
18	4.04.1	Solid Waste Facility Fee	Code Enforcement/Ron O'Connor	Pending	Ordinance to mitigate potential impacts to a geographic area relative to locating a solid waste facility. The Law & Leg Committee heard a staff report on this issue on November 4, 2004 and directed staff to get input from an advisory committee and report back to the L&L Committee with recommendations on fees.	To be Determined	To be Determined	Solid Waste/ Code/ DSD
19	7.04.2	Amendments to R Street SPD	Planning Dept/Tara Goddard	Pending	Amendments to R Street Special Planning District to Facilitate Development	No	Moderate	Planning
20	5.06.4	An Ordinance Relating to Bi-Directional Amplification Devices in Newly Constructed Buildings	Police & Fire/ Capt. McCarthy	Pending	The proposed ordinance would require that all new buildings over 5,000 square feet be required to install bi-directional amplification (BDA) devices, as needed, in newly constructed buildings. Ninety days after the certificate of occupancy is issued the building owner will have to provide certification that a test was done to determine if the BDA is necessary. If it is necessary, then a BDA must be installed. The State has implemented legislation that will begin January 1, 2008.	No	TBD	TBD
21	10.06.1	Ordinance Banning Cart Vendors	CM Pannell/ Finance/ Brad Wasson	Pending	On 7/18/06, CM Pannell requested that staff bring forward to the L&L Committee the ordinance banning cart vendors. This request is related to portable push-cart type food vendors.	TBD	TBD	TBD
22	9.06.1	Amend Ordinance Relating to Street Furniture (Telcom and Cable Equipment)	Trans Dept/ Jon Blank	Pending	Amend Ordinance to give the city the authority to manage and negotiate the placement of street furniture (containers for telecommunications and cable equipment) throughout the city.	No	TBD	Tranportation Dept
23	2.07.2	Amend Vacant Building Ordinance	CM Hammond/ Code/ Max Fernandez	TBD	At the Feb 6, 2007 L&L meeting, CM Hammond requested that staff research bringing forward an amend to code requiring that vacant lots are fenced.	TBD	TBD	Code Enforcement
24	3.07.4	Campaign Finance Ordinance Review	L&L Committee and Council/ Attorney's Office/ Eileen Tiechert	Pending	At the March 20, 2007 L&L meeting the Committee directed staff to redraft the current campaign finance code to simplify the language, making the code easier to read and understand.	No	TBD	TBD

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25	1.11	Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance	CM Tretheway/ Brad Wasson	Pending	On April 3, 2007 staff brought forward an ordinance for the Committee's consideration. The Committee directed staff to re-convene the task force to discuss issues that they had with staff's recommended ordinance. CM Hammond is now the appointed member on the taskforce.	No	TBD	Revenue Dept and Code
26	4.07.1	Discussion Paper on Amendment Options to the Home Occupation Permit	L&L Committee/ Finance Dept./ Brad Wasson	Pending	At the 4/17/07 L&L meeting the Committee directed staff to come back with options to amend the home occupation permit.	TBD	TBD	Finance
27	4.07.3	Discussion Paper on Portable Gas Blowers	L&L Committee/ Code Enforcement & CMO	Pending	At the 4/17/07 L&L Meeting the Committee directed staff to come back with a discussion paper on issues relating to portable leaf blowers including; the legal decible limit, the noise caused by multiple blowers, the air quality issues, blowing debris onto the streets, and whether we are superceded by the state to regulate leaf blowers.	TBD	TBD	Code Enforcement

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