

Legislation Log

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NEW ITEMS						
1	2.11.5	Joint Community Gardens in the Community	CM R. Fong / CM Pannell / CM McCarty / CM Schenirer / Planning / Joy Patterson	5-Apr-11	High	Amend zoning codes to allow opportunities for joint community gardens in private and public facilities.
2	10.10.1	Solar Farms	CM McCarty / CM Cohn / Mayor Johnson / Community Development / Max Fernandez	Pending	High	Report back on how we can use zoning updates/amendments to do more of the "Army Depot Solar" type projects and streamlining the permit process for solar installation on public facilities and private projects. Staff is currently working on streamlining the ordinance for solar projects on city-owned facilities and how to approach privately-owned sites after outreach.
3	3.11.1	California Codes	Ed Short / Emilie Schell	5-Apr-11	Medium	Amendments to the 2010 California Building Code, 2010 California Residential Code, 2010 California Plumbing Code, and 2010 California Mechanical Code. These amendments are required every three years when the new Building Codes are adopted. The City is authorized by California law to establish more restrictive building standards due to local climatic, geologic or topographic conditions than found in these state codes.
4	3.11.2	Legal Fees Imposed on Private Parties	Larry Duran	3-May-11	Low	This ordinance will provide general authority for the City Attorney to charge private parties a fee for legal services the City Attorney performs for city staff for the benefit of the private parties in their dealings with the City. These fees are deposited in the General Fund. This ordinance would instead authorize fees to be appropriated to the City Attorney's budget.
DATE SCHEDULED						
5	1.11.3	City Code Change - 12.12.090 - Blanket Permits	DOT / Jon Blank	5-Apr-11	Medium	Amend City Code Section 12.12.090, with regard to blanket permits, making code consistent with current city practices on encroachment.
6	1.11.1	Card Room Ordinance	Finance / Brad Wasson	3-May-11	High	Card Room Ordinance # 5.32.180 Section A - In order for city cardrooms to be successful, it may require them to be co-locating two or more of the cardrooms. This item was scheduled to be heard by the Committee on 02/01/11 but was continued to 04/05/11. STATUS: Staff requires additional time to resolve recent issues that have arisen.
7	2.11.3	Cars on K Street	Economic Development / Denise Malvetti	21-Apr-11	Medium	Amends the portion of City Code that deems K Street a Pedestrian Mall.
8	4.10.1	Taxi Moratorium and Taxi Dispatch	Dafna Gauthier / Finance	3-May-11	High	At the October 5, 2010 meeting, the Committee asked staff to report back regarding a moratorium on taxicabs in the city and on taxi dispatch. STATUS: Staff is researching the policy considerations and operational requirements for the implementation of a moratorium and central dispatch system, including enforcement, attrition and green standards.

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ACTIVE ITEMS						
9	7.10.1	Off-duty Police Officers at Events with Mandated Security	CM Sheedy / Police Dept.	Active	Medium	At the July 20, 2010 Law & Legislation Committee meeting, Council Member Sheedy requested staff to provide a report back on the concept that, for businesses or events where the City requires security, that requirement include that the security must be provided by off-duty Sacramento Police Department Officers. STATUS: Staff is working with the CAO on a legal opinion in response to this request.
PENDING ITEMS						
10	1.04.2	Update on Sign Ordinance and Sign Program	CM Waters/CDD/ Joy Patterson / CAO / TBD	Pending	High	Staff is doing a citywide study and will come back to the committee when it is completed. Staff held several council workshops to get feedback and direction before returning with a comprehensive proposed ordinance for committee consideration in early 2009. The 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. STATUS: Staff drafted an ordinance amendment that authorized digital billboards and a relocation agreement as part of a subset of this project. That ordinance was passed at the April 6, 2010 meeting of the Law & Legislation Committee. Work on the comprehensive revision will resume once the digital-billboard project is done.
11	1.05.2	Amend Tree Ordinance	DOT/Joe Benassini	Pending	High	Minor changes were approved by L&L April 2008 and by City Council June 2008. Revised draft ordinance and outreach efforts underway. Item is going to Council June 2009. Amend the City's Tree Ordinance to add section to amend the tree permit appeals process. STATUS: This item is being reviewed by an outside consultant and will probably be heard in late 2010 or early 2011.
12	4.07.1	Home Occupation Permit re: Somatic Massage	L&L Committee/ Finance Dept./ Brad Wasson	Pending	High	The Revenue Division distributed a memo on this item on June 8, 2010. As of July 30, 2008 Revenue Division and Code Enforcement staff said they would be providing a joint report back on both Items 7.06.1 and 4.07.1. At the 4/17/07 L&L meeting the Committee directed staff to come back with options to amend the home occupation permit. STATUS: The State has enacted new requirements for massage practitioners that impact the city's ability to regulate this industry. City code will need to be updated to comply with the State changes. The request to allow somatic massage practitioners to operate out of their home with a Home Occupation permit will be folded in with the State review. The Revenue Division met with the CAO to determine what needs to change. Staff recommends not modifying the code at this time until the state situation stabilizes.

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13						PENDING ITEMS CONTINUED
14	3.09.5	Ordinance Amendment: Police Alarms	Police Department / Jim Maccoun	Pending	Low	This ordinance amendment is a revision of Chapter 8.36 of the City Code, regarding alarm systems, regulation and false alarm reduction. The ordinance is still going through revisions in the City Attorney's Office. STATUS: Staff is currently in the process of discussing next steps and dates.
15	03.09.6	Diaper Changing Areas Discussion Paper	CM McCarty / CDD / Max Fernandez	Pending	High	Diaper changing room requirement policy for major remodels and new construction. STATUS: The CAO is looking into this request. There is an issue of preemption. The City cannot supplement the building code without specific findings that local conditions require a regulation that goes beyond statewide building code standards.
16	10.09.4	Storage Boxes / PODS	CM Sheedy / Community Development / Dennis Kubo & Tina Lee-Vogt	Pending	Medium	Code staff will report back with an ordinance to regulate Portable on Demand Storage (PODS) containers for consideration for the Law and Legislation Committee. STATUS: On 05/18/10, the Committee directed staff to return to L&L with a draft ordinance for consideration.
17	12.09.3	Rezone Ordinance for Solid Waste Overlay Zone	Community Development / Max Fernandez	Pending	High	Develop a rezone ordinance to implement the Solid Waste Overlay Zone in District 2 and in any other district where the overlay zone might be necessary, as described in Title 17 of the City Code. STATUS: Marty Hanneman (DOU) distributed a memo on this subject on 12/03/09; the item has been referred to CDD for follow-up.
18	2.10.7	Fireworks Ordinance	Fire / Troy Malaspino	Pending	Medium	Amend the Fireworks Ordinance to more closely reflect recently changed state codes regarding the possession, use, and disposal of dangerous fireworks, while also allowing for more effective cost recovery for these misdemeanors. STATUS: No update at this time.
19	9.10.7	Loud Parties at Rental Homes	CM McCarty / Police / Alisa Buckley	Pending	Medium	CM McCarty requested that staff look at the noise ordinance as it relates to rental homes. Who is penalized for loud parties? STATUS: SPD is coordinating a pilot project and will report back to the Committee in May 2011.
20	11.10.1	Residential Permit Parking Ordinance	DOT / Paul Sheridan	Pending	High	A modification to the RPP program ordinance to establish criteria for creating new zones, annexing neighborhoods into existing RPP zones, and modifying existing RPP zones. Addresses Goal 4.2 of the Central City Parking Master Plan. STATUS: Staff is working on a draft ordinance with the CAO at this time.
21	12.10.1	Approval of Amendment to Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission Ordinance	SHRA / Vickie Smith	Pending	Low	Report will recommend ordinance changes to eliminate City's requirement for term limits as they relate to the SHRA Commission. The term limit requirement conflicts with the JPA that allows County Commission members to stay on the committee for an indefinite period thus creating an inequity between county and city appointees. This is a consent item.