



Ordinance Fact Sheet

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: December 15, 2025

FROM: CITY ATTORNEY

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING TITLE 2 (ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION), CHAPTER 2.05 (CITY COUNCIL), SECTION 2.05.170 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE CITY COUNCIL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE, AND ADDING SECTION 2.05.205 TO CHAPTER 2.05 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO CREATE THE CITY COUNCIL HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS, AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

TITLE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the action proposed herein is not a "project" as defined by California Public Resources Code ("PRC") Section 21065 and within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines Section 15378(b); and
2. Adopt an ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 2.05, Section 2.05.170 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, and adding Section 2.05.205 to Title 2, Chapter 2.05, of the Pasadena Municipal Code, as further described in this fact sheet.

MEETING OF 12/15/2025

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19

PURPOSE OF THE ORDINANCE:

This ordinance amends the Pasadena Municipal Code ("PMC") to amend Section 2.05.170 of Title 2, Chapter 2.05 of the PMC, to remove references to community development projects and affordable housing as subject areas of the City Council Economic Development and Technology Committee and transfer them to a newly created City Council Housing, Homelessness, and Planning Committee, which will be established by amending Title 2, Chapter 2.05 of the PMC to add Section 2.05.205. This new committee will review matters related to housing, homelessness, land use and transportation planning issues.

REASONS WHY LEGISLATION IS NEEDED:

The City Council Ad Hoc Committee determined that the importance of housing, homelessness, and planning projects and policies requires a separate committee devoted to those subject areas, and recommends the establishment of the City Council Housing, Homelessness, and Planning Committee.

PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS OR GROUPS AFFECTED:

This change impacts the City Council, as some of its members will serve on this committee and attend meetings. The Housing, Planning & Community Development, and Transportation Departments are among the departments that will be affected, as work will need to be done in response to requests from the newly created committee.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The amendment to PMC Section 2.05.170, and addition of Section 2.05.205, to Title 2, Chapter 2.05 of the PMC are consistent with the City Council's goal of supporting and promoting the quality of life and local economy. During consideration of the ordinance at its meeting held December 8, 2025, the City Council determined that the name of the new committee will be the City Council Housing, Homelessness, and Planning Committee.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

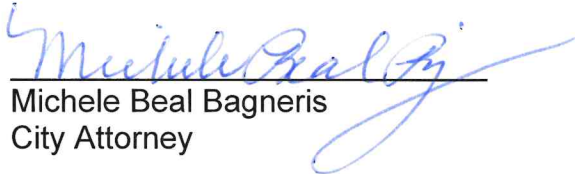
This action is not considered to be a project under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), which excludes from environmental review actions that are not "projects" as defined by California Public Resources Code ("PRC") Section 21065 and within the meaning of CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b). PRC Section 21065 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b) define a project as an action which may cause either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 excludes from the definition of "project" administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. The actions proposed herein,

amending the PMC to modify the subject matter of one committee and the creation of another committee, are administrative activities, and therefore such actions are not "projects" as defined by CEQA. Since the actions are not projects subject to CEQA, no environmental document is required.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no significant fiscal impact from the proposed ordinance known at this time. However, staff resources will need to be identified to provide the technical and administrative support needed for this Council Committee.

Respectfully submitted,


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