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Lobbyists Receive \$3.8 Million to Influence City of Los Angeles Decision-Makers

City Ethics Commission Issues Report on 1st Quarter Municipal Lobbying

Lobbyists registered with the City of Los Angeles reported earning just under \$3.8 million during a three-month period for their attempts to influence City policy-makers, according to the *First Quarter 2003 Lobbying Report* issued today by the City Ethics Commission. From January through March of this year, 54 lobbying firms reported receiving \$3,793,281 in fees from clients.

This amount is down 21% from the record high of \$4,825,482 in fees reported by 68 firms in the previous quarter. According to the report, lobbyist-related political contributions to City candidates and officeholders during the period totaled \$116,434 and, based on the lobbying fees reported, the “top ten” most lobbied projects in the City were:

1 st Qtr. Contributions to City Officials & Candidates	
Made by Lobbyists:	\$74,184
Delivered by Lobbyists:	\$33,500
Lobbyists Served as Intermediary for:	\$8,750
TOTAL:	\$116,434

1. Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) Modernization Project \$181,501
2. Proposed Sale of Los Angeles Export Terminal (LAXT) 161,744
3. Cable Television Franchise Agreements 113,106
4. Wilshire Malcolm Development Project 82,433
5. Official Police Garages 73,332
6. Playa Vista Development Project 70,816
7. Berth Space at Port of LA 66,047
8. LAX & Ontario Airport Advertising Contract 53,874
9. 2000 Avenue of the Stars Redevelopment Project 53,662
10. LAX Rental Car Concession Contracts 45,000

The *First Quarter 2003 Lobbying Report*, compiled from mandatory lobbyist disclosure statements filed with the Ethics Commission, summarizes the top ten projects and provides additional information about lobbyists' activities including the identity of clients and compensation received.

For a copy of the report, contact the Commission at (213) 978-1960 or visit the Commission's Web site at ethics.lacity.org.

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