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**NEARLY \$13 MILLION SPENT TO LOBBY
CITY AGENCIES IN THIRD QUARTER OF 2015**

Entities registered to lobby City agencies reported receiving payments totaling nearly \$13 million in the third quarter of 2015, according to the latest report on the Ethics Commission's agenda today.

Reports filed by lobbying entities disclosed that clients paid a total of \$12,895,413 to lobby the City during the third quarter. Out of a total of 1,439 registered clients for the third quarter, the lobbying clients who made the ten largest aggregated payments for lobbying services during the quarter include Ronald A. Simms Commercial Development and Montel Associates LP; Holland Partners; Greenland US Holding, Inc.; Champion Real Estate Company; Regency Outdoor Advertising, Inc.; Carl Shafer; CIM Group; Lincoln Property Company; Jia Yuan USA Co., Inc.; and Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. During the third quarter, these clients reported total payments ranging from \$110,304 to \$407,657. In total these payments 13.5 percent of all payments by clients for the quarter.

The ten lobbying firms receiving the most client payments in the third quarter of 2015 were Latham & Watkins LLP; Glaser, Weil, Fink, Howard, Avchen & Shapiro, LLP; Ek & Sunkin; Ek & Ek; Kindel Gagan; Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP; Liner LLP; Craig Lawson & Co., LLC; Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP; and Englander Knabe and Allen. These firms reported receiving total payments from clients ranging from \$324,229 to \$1,100,423 for the quarter. Together, these lobbying firms received a total of \$6,049,950 from their clients, representing 46.9 percent of all client payments received in the third quarter of 2015.

In addition to payments from clients, 16 of the 624 registered lobbying entities reported fundraising activity totaling \$110,900 for City campaigns, officeholders, and committees. The full report on third-quarter lobbying activities, the disclosure reports filed by lobbying entities, and searchable information about lobbying entities and their clients are available at ethics.lacity.org or by calling the Ethics Commission.

The City Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.