Item 10 Information

Quarterly Lobbying Report

Executive Summary: This item presents a summary of activities reported to the Ethics Commission by lobbying entities for the first quarter of 2017.

Recommended Action: This item is for informational purposes only.

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Lobbying Report: 1st Quarter 2017

A. Introduction

The Municipal Lobbying Ordinance (MLO) regulates persons who receive compensation to lobby City officials. Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) §§ 48.01, *et seq.* In LAMC § 48.01(B), the MLO makes several findings regarding lobbying activity, including the following:

- 1. Citizens have a right to know the identities of those who attempt to influence City decisions;
- 2. Public disclosure by lobbyists and their clients regarding their lobbying activities is essential to citizen confidence in the integrity of local government;
- 3. It is in the public interest to ensure that lobbyists do not misrepresent facts or their positions;
- 4. It is in the public interest to ensure that lobbyists do not place City officials under personal obligation to themselves or their clients.

To help ensure adequate and effective disclosure regarding efforts to lobby City government, lobbying entities are required to file quarterly disclosure reports. *See* LAMC §§ 48.01(B)(6), 48.08. This item summarizes information disclosed on the lobbying reports filed for the first quarter of 2017.

B. Legal Background

1. Definitions

The MLO defines lobbying activity generally as compensated conduct related to communications with City officials that are designed to influence municipal matters. LAMC § 48.02. The lobbying entities that are regulated by the MLO include lobbyists, lobbying firms, and lobbyist employers.

A lobbyist is an individual who is compensated to spend 30 or more hours in a three-month period to engage in lobbying activities that include at least one direct communication with a City employee, including commissioners, that is designed to influence a City matter on behalf of another person. *Id.* A lobbying firm is an entity that is entitled to receive \$1,000 in compensation for engaging in lobbying activities on behalf of another person during a three-month period, if a partner, owner, shareholder, owner, or employee of the entity qualifies as a lobbyist. *Id.* A lobbying firm may be an individual lobbyist. Finally, a lobbyist employer is an entity that employs a lobbyist in-house to lobby on the entity's behalf. *Id.*

Certain persons are exempt from the lobbying regulations. These include individuals acting in an official government capacity, newspapers and other media outlets that publish editorials or paid advertising, persons whose only activity is bidding on a City contract, and 501(c)(3) organizations created to provide services to indigent persons and that organization's employees when acting in the scope of that employment. LAMC § 48.03.

2. <u>Registration and Reporting</u>

Lobbyists and lobbying firms are required to register with the Ethics Commission on an annual basis. LAMC §§ 48.07(A)-(B). Registration is required within 10 days after the end of the month in which the qualification threshold is met. LAMC § 48.07(A). The fees for each year's registration are \$450 per lobbyist plus \$75 for each client from whom the lobbyist is entitled to receive \$250 or more in a calendar quarter. LAMC § 48.07(C).

Every lobbying entity is required to file quarterly disclosure reports once it or, for lobbyist employers, one of its employees qualifies as a lobbying entity. LAMC § 48.08(A)(1). They must continue to submit quarterly reports until registration is terminated, either voluntarily or automatically by virtue of the end of the calendar year. The disclosure reports must contain specific information, including the following:

- a. Each City agency that a lobbyist attempted to influence. LAMC §§ 48.08(B)(12), 48.08(C)(14).
- b. Each municipal matter that a lobbyist employer attempted to influence. LAMC § 48.08(D)(6).
- c. Total payments from clients to lobbying firms. LAMC § 48.08(C)(4).
- d. Total payments to lobbyists by lobbying firms and lobbyist employers. LAMC §§ 48.08(C)(7)(a), 48.08(D)(3).
- e. The elected City officials, candidates, and committees for which a lobbyist engaged in fundraising activity, as well as the dates of the activity and the amount of money raised. LAMC §§ 48.08(B)(7), 48.08(C)(9), 48.08(D)(10).
- f. Services provided by a lobbyist to a City candidate or ballot measure campaign or to the City under contract, including the amount of compensation received for those services. LAMC §§ 48.08(B)(10)-(11), 48.08(C)(12)-(13).

3. Prohibited Activities

Lobbying entities are prohibited from engaging in certain types of activity. They may not attempt to deceive City officials. LAMC §§ 48.04(B), (D). They may not place City officials under personal obligation to them. LAMC § 48.04(A). They may not create a municipal matter for the purpose of being retained to lobby on that matter. LAMC § 48.04(C).

Lobbyists and lobbying firms are also limited in certain financial activities. They may engage in fundraising, but they may not make campaign contributions to elected City officials, candidates, or their committees if they are required to be registered to lobby the office the official or candidate holds or seeks. Los Angeles City Charter § 470(c)(11). And they may not make or act as an intermediary in the making of a gift to a City official. LAMC §§ 48.04(E), 49.5.8(A)-(C).

C. First Quarter Compliance

In the first quarter of 2017, there were 391 registered lobbyists and 113 registered lobbying firms, including 39 sole proprietorships. In addition, there were 70 lobbyist employers.

These 574 lobbying entities were required to file 535 disclosure reports for the first quarter (the 39 sole proprietor lobbyists were each required to file a lobbying firm report but not a lobbyist report). A total of 531 reports (99 percent) were filed on time. Penalties totaling \$225 were paid in connection with reports filed past the May 2 deadline. The tables in this report detail and summarize the information that was disclosed through all reports filed for the quarter.

D. Top 10 Highest Paid Lobbying Firms

Lobbying firms are required to report the total amount of payments they receive each quarter from the clients they represent. A total of \$13,897,249 in payments from clients was reported by all lobbying firms for the first quarter of 2017.

The ten firms that reported the highest total payments from clients are identified in the table on the following pages. Each of the top ten firms reported receiving at least \$390,000 from clients in the first quarter. Together, the ten firms reported receiving a total of \$6,600,387 which represents 47.5 percent of all payments from clients reported by all lobbying firms for the first quarter of 2017.

	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAID LOBBYING FIRMS Based on Client Payments Reported as Received In 2017 Q1						
Rank & Payments	Firm & Clients						
1. \$1,019,936	Liner LLP						
	Arc Capital Partners LLC	Greenland LA Metropolis Development II LLC Harridge Development Group, LLC Jade Enterprises, LLC Jamison Properties, LP Jia Yuan USA Co., Inc. Ladder Capital Finance Larchmont Village Partners One LLC Laurus Corporation Lawn School LLC Leap of Faith Partners Local Construct Los Angeles Streetcar, Inc. Lowe Enterprises Inc. Maguire Properties - 755 S. Figueroa, LLC MEtspresso LLC MREC HD Blake Street MREC HD Elysian Park, LLC	National Electrical Contractors Association Nationwide RP Corporation Nike, Inc. Oxford Capital Group Prime/CRDF Mission Hills, LLC Realm Group LLC Relevant Group LLC Ryda Ventures LLC Shappell Liberty Investment Properties, LLC Skid Row Housing Trust Southern California Ambulance Trammell Crow Residential Urban Offerings Watermark Westwood Village LLC Westland Partners Inc WP West Development Enterprises				

	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAID LOBBYING FIRMS (cont'd) Based on Client Payments Reported as Received In 2017 Q1					
Rank & Payments	Firm & Clients					
2. \$966,576	Englander Knabe and A	llen				
	5959 LLC 9712 Oak Pass Road, LLC Accela, Inc. American Golf Corporation Anthem, Inc. AT&T Enterprise Services (AT & T and its affiliates) Avaya, Inc. Bay Village Investments, LLC Bel Air Cliff Property Holding Inc. Beverly Hills Greater Los Angeles Association of Realtors BLH Construction Co. BNSF Railway Company Boingo Wireless, Inc. Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP For City of Alhambra California Trucking Association	Clark Construction Group - California, LP Clay Lacy Aviation Coca Cola Bottling USA	Official Police Garage Assn of LA One Concern, Inc. Onni Contracting (CA) Inc. Quick Silver Towing, Inc. Renovate America, Inc. SAS Institute Inc. Seaview Investors, LLC Skanska USA Civil Inc. Southland News Distribution Co., LLC The Ruth Group Timberlane Partners IV LLC Total Transportation Services, Inc TTSI TRC Solutions, Inc. UCBA Trade Association Universal Technical Institute, Inc. US Metro Group, Inc. Waste Management Inc. Westfield Airports, LLC Westfield, LLC William Blair			

	TOP 10 HIGHEST Based on Client Pay	PAID LOBBYING FIRMS ments Reported as Received In 20	(cont'd) 17 Q1
Rank & Payments	Firm & Clients		
3. \$868,981	Craig Lawson & Co., LLC		
	1045 Olive LLC 1200 S. Figueroa LLC 28th Church Abode Communities Amidi Group Career Lofts - LA Carmel Partners Inc. Carson Corner LLC Caruso Affiliated Holdings Chabad of Greater Los Feliz Chelsea Investment Corp. CIM Group CityView Combined Properties Continuum Partners Crespi Carmelite High School Dynamic Development Co. Eiden Inc. Equity Residential Fashion District Residences LLC	Fay Avenue Art District Dwellings LLC Greenland US Holding Co. Harry's Auto Body Inc Holland Partners Hollywood Forever Inc. Jade Enterprises Jamison Properties LP Johnson Fain Architects LA Urban Homes LB Property Management Lifan Tower LLC Lincoln Property Co. Maguire Properties Maple Multi-Family Land CA Marina Business Center LLC Markwood Enterprises McCadden Plaza L.P. McCormack Baron Salazar Mercy Housing Mitsui Fudosan America Monteverdi LLC c/o Paratus Group	Museum Associates Palisades Capital Partners LLC PATH Ventures R.D. Olson Development Redcar Properties Rodeo Properties LLC Sandstone Properties Shammas Realty LLC Shoreham Capital LP Skid Row Housing Trust SRG Properties SRO Housing Corp. Sumitomo Realty The City Market of Los Angeles The Condor LLC Tooley Interests Tujunga Village LLC Universal Villas LLC USC Caruso Catholic Center & Our Savior Parish Church Verbukh, Isaac Wolf Rifkin Shapiro Schulman & Rabkin LLP
4. \$835,333	Ek, Sunkin, Klink & Bai		
	3K Property Management AECOM Arrow Technology BreitBurn Management Company CBS Group CGI Strategies Cha Health Systems City Century Clear Channel Competitor Group Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas	Hankook Property Management Company, Inc. Harvard Westlake School Hilton Hotels Jamison Proeprties Jia Long Real Estate Development Kalnel Gardens LA Mart Los Angeles Wholesale Produce Mart McCourt Global	Meruelo Group Microsoft Corportation Motion Picture Association of America Pacific Maritime Association Republic Services Revive Restoration Spectrum Group Real Estate Sugarfish Valero Walter J Company Westside Campus Owner, LLC

		PAID LOBBYING FIRMS (ments Reported as Received In 201	
Rank & Payments	Firm & Clients		
5. \$781,558	Armbruster Goldsmith & D	elvac LLP	
	11460 Gateway LLC 2800 Casitas LLC 6104 Hollywood, LLC 646 South Broadway LLC 649 South Olive LLC 7107 KWLF Developers, LLC 740 South Broadway LLC Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences AEG Alliance Development American Commercial Equities Amoroso Company Aragon AutoNation Bel Air Cliff Holdings Inc. Belmont Village Senior Living Biergarten, LLC Black Equities BLT Enterprises Bolour Brentwood School California Landmark Camden USA, Inc. Canfield Development, Inc. Caruso Affiliated Cascades Project Owner LLC Case Real Estate Planners I, LLC Chepman Court, LLC Chernoff Family Trust CIM Group City Market of Los Angeles Clearwater Communities	CoreSite Costco Wholesale Crest Real Estate Crown Acquisitions, Inc. Decron Properties Devenney Group, Ltd. Douglas Emmett Elm Tree Investments Equity Office Equity Residential Faring Capital, LLC Fifield Companies Frost/Chaddock Developers, LLC G.H. Palmer GAW Capital Partners Glencoe Avenue Associates LLC Greystar Griffin Opportunities, LLC Halavi Family Trust/La Brea 9 LLC Hollywood Sycamore LLC IMT Capital LLC Intelligent Design Real Estate Irvine Riverside W, LLC Jade Enterprises Jamison Properties, LP Joan's on Third Karma Company, LLC Karney Management Company KOR Group LA Hollywood Properties LLC Labi, Adrien Land Sea Air Leasing, Corp. Laurus Corporation LeFrak Lenmar Beverly Glen LLC	Lincoln Property Company Lizard Capital LLC Lowe Enterprises Real Estate Group Lucas Museum of Narrative Arts M David Paul MacFarlane Partners Mazzone, Angelo MCRT Investments LLC MGA North LLC Milken Community Schools Next Century Associates, LLC NMS Properties, Inc. Oakmont Capital Oceanwide Plaza LLC Omninet ONNI Group Contracting (California) Inc. Palisades Capital Partners Pebblebrook Hotels Precision Development Company PSS West L.A., LLC RAR2-Villa Marina Center CA, LLC Regalian, LLC Related California Seaview Investors, LLC Silver Lake Pinnacle LLC Sonnenblick, Robert Spectrum Group Real Estate Stephen Wise Temple SunCal Terra River LLC The Buckley School The Hanover Company The Mirman School The Walt Disney Company

	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAID LOBBYING FIRMS (cont'd) Based on Client Payments Reported as Received In 2017 Q1						
Rank & Payments	Firm & Clients						
	Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP						
	(continued from previous page)						
	Tishman Speyer Trammell Crow TriCal Construction TriStar Realty Group, LLC UB RiverRow LLC UDR	United Technologies Corporation University of Southern California Urban View Investments, LLC US Longton, Inc. Weddington Living LLC	Westmark School Westwood Marketplace Westwood3, LLC Wetherly Portfolio LLC Wilshire Skyline, Inc. Windward School YSHRE LA LLC				
6. \$500,884	Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mi	tchell LLP					
	1410 Tanager, LLC 15 Rose LLC; Doug Bruce; Glen Luchford 2026 Bentley LLC and Michael Cohanzad 811 Ocean Front Walk LLC and 815 Ocean Front Walk LLC Amalgamated Bank ASB Watermarke Owner, LLC Bay Village Bay-Shuck, Aaron Boardwalk Sunset LLC Bordan Shoe Company Bright, Lilly and Evan Cole Burdorf, Gary Chapman Court, LLC	Cummins, Philip Drai, Victor Empire USA, Inc.	Kornblum, David Kottler, Don and Marlene Legado Companies Levi, Evan Lola Visual Effects Palisades Drive LP Ronald A. Simms Commercial Development and Montel Associates LP SB Hotel LA, LLC Soltani, Alex, ARS Holdings, LLC STI CA 1, LLC; TDC Properties Tower Lane Properties, Inc.				

	TOP 10 HIGHEST Based on Client Pay	PAID LOBBYING FIRMS (yments Reported as Received In 20	(cont'd) 17 Q1				
Rank & Payments	Firm & Clients						
7. \$418,749	Kindel Gagan						
	A Community of Friends Adobe American Chemistry Council American Hotel & Lodging Association Arts District Development, LLC AT&T INC. AND ITS AFFILIATES Aviation Safeguards Birdi & Associates, Inc. Cafe on Location California Sign Association Century BMW CLEAR DWP Mgmt Employees Assn Effkay Enterprises	Exelon Corporation on behalf of Constellation Energy Fashion District Residences, LLC c/o Realm Group Fluor Enterprises, Inc. Frontier Holdings East, LLC FSP - South Flower Street Associates, LLC Greater LA New Car Dealers Assn Griffith Heights LLC Hanjin International Corp Hudson Group Insite Wireless Group, LLC Kilroy Realty Corp LA Auto Show London & Gonzalez Advocacy on behalf of the Recording Industry Assoc. of America Manhole Adjusting Inc. Metabolic Studios	National Promotions & Advertising, Inc. Praxair, Inc Danbury, CT Santa Fe Lofts, LLC Shammas Group Downtown LA Motors Porsche Shammas Group Downtown LA Motors Toyota Smarte Carte, Inc. Star Industries STV Group Inc. Suffolk Construction Super Shuttle Los Angeles TDA Consultants Trammell Crow Residential Transdev North America, Inc. United Airlines Universal Villas, LLC Urban Commons, LLC Victory Unlimited Construction, LLC				
8. \$415,348 Marathon Communicate 6104 Hollywood, LLC AutoNation AvalonBay Communities Inc. Avis Budget Group, Inc. Black Equities Burbank-Glendale- Pasadena Airport Authority Caruso Affiliated		Consolidated Disposal Service, L.L.C. dba Republic Services DFS North America EDF Renewable Development, Inc. Hilton Hotel & Resorts JMF Development LLC Kaiser Permanente La Cienega Partners Limited Partnership	Millennium Partners NBC Universal PCCP, LLC PHR LA Mart, LLC Robertson Honda Shoreham Capital, LP The Ratkovich Company Townscape Partners TriCal Construction Inc.				

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	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAID LOBBYING FIRMS (cont'd) Based on Client Payments Reported as Received In 2017 Q1					
	ank & ayments	Firm & Clients				
9.	\$402,327	Urban Solutions, LLC				
		4000 Chevy Chase LLC Anastasi Development Company Carmel Partners, Inc. Catalina Heights, LLC Holland Partner Group iHeartMedia, Inc., Clear Channel Outdoor, and Affiliated Entities	JWDA Lightstone Listen to the River, LLC Los Angeles Chinatown Business Council Los Angeles Professional Managers Association	Mitsui Fudosan America, Inc. Palisades Capital Partners LLC PayLock The Related Companies Trammell Crow Residential United American Properties, Inc.		
10.	\$390,695	Afriat Consutting Group I 1005-1013 Everett, LLC 1045 Olive, LLC 5750 Hollywood Blvd., LLC 900 Hilgard, LLC ACE of California CH Palladium, LLC Charles Company Coulter, Benedict	CRM Properties Inc. Donaldson Street Apartments LLC Franklin, Jeff iHeartMedia, Inc., Clear Channel Outdoor, and Affiliated Entities IMT Capital II Sherman Oaks LLC Mesmer Properties, LLC MZA Events, Inc. P K Equities, Inc. Rampart Village Plaza, LLC	LLC The Californian on Wilshire HOA		

E. Top 10 Highest Paying Clients

In the first quarter of 2017, there were 1,257 registered clients of lobbying entities. Lobbying firms are required to disclose the payments they receive from their clients and the projects associated with those payments. The clients that lobbying firms reported as having paid the most for lobbying services in the first quarter are identified in the table on the following pages. Payments from clients with similar names and projects are aggregated as noted in the table on the following pages.

Each of the top ten highest paying clients spent at least \$111,000 during the quarter. Combined, their payments totaled \$1,569,271 or 11.3 percent of the \$13,897,249 total reported payments from clients.

à	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAYING CLIENTS Based on Aggregated Client Payments Reported for 2017 Q1					
	Client	Total Payments	Detail o	f Total Pay	ments	Agencies
	Client	Reported From Client	Lobbying Firm	Payment	Project	Lobbied
1.	Seaview Investors, LLC (and Englander Knabe & Allen on behalf of Seaview Investors, LLC)	\$267,337	Englander Knabe and Allen	\$99,400	Development/6399 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA	City Council
	,			\$8,625	Development/6151 Century Blvd., Los Angeles, CA	No City agencies reported.
				\$7,025	Development/6344 Arizona Circle, Playa Vista, CA	No City agencies reported.
			TChoi and Associates	\$69,283	Proposed Hotel Entitlements/6399 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles	City Council
				\$6,815	6151 W. Century Blvd.	No City agencies reported.
				\$4,912	Proposed Hotel entitlements /6344 Arizona Circle, Playa Vista	No City agencies reported.
			Consensus Inc	\$70,018	6399 Wilshire	No City agencies reported
			Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP	\$1,259	6399 Wilshire Blvd./6399 Wilshire Blvd	No City agencies reported.
2.	City Century LLC	\$220,000	Liner LLP	\$220,000	DTLA	City Council, Building and Safety, Planning
3.	Lightstone DTLA LLC (and Lightstone and Llghstone Group)	\$185,273	Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP	\$120,471	Figueroa Convention Center Hotel	City Council, CLA, Planning
	3		Urban Solutions, LLC	\$30,177	Proposed Hotel /Pico & Figueroa [CF 16-0073]	City Council
			Arnie Berghoff & Associates	\$30,000	Development projects in the city of Los Angeles	City Council, Planning
			Psomas	\$4,625	Subdivision Map/601 W. Pico Blvd and 1248-1260 S. Figueroa Ave	Planning

	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAYING CLIENTS (cont'd) Based on Aggregated Client Payments Reported for 2017 Q1					
	Client	Total Payments Reported				Agencies
	Cheffit	From Client	Lobbying Firm	Payment	Project	Lobbied
4.	Lowe Enterprises Inc. (and Lowe Enterprises Real Estate Group)	\$150,107	Liner LLP	\$132,570	Culver City/Washington, National and Venice Blvd.	City Council, Building and Safety, Planning
				\$8,562	Arts District	Building and Safety, LADWP
			Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP	\$8,975	2130 Violet/2130 Violet	Council, Building and Safety, Planning
5.	iHeartMedia, Inc., Clear Channel Outdoor, and	\$144,079	Urban Solutions, LLC	\$75,845	Digital Signage [CF12-1611]	City Council
	Affiliated Entities	eu Enules	Afriat Consulting Group Inc	\$38,234	Assist with securing permits and other issues regarding outdoor advertising/Various locations	Mayor, City Council, City Clerk, Planning
			David Gershwin Consulting	\$30,000	Outdoor Advertising Issues/City of Los Angeles [FILE11- 1705].	City Council, Neighborhood Councils
6.	Crespi Carmelite High School	\$132,478	Consensus Inc.	\$114,996	Crespi Master Plan	No City agencies reported.
	·		Craig Lawson & Co., LLC	\$17,482	Master Plan for School Campus/Encino [CPC-2016-4853- VCU-ZV-SPR]	City Council, Neighborhood Councils, Planning
7.	AEG	\$119,998	Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP	\$35,642	LA Live/LA Live	Planning
				\$33,544	JW Marriott Expansion	No City agencies reported.
				\$812	Grammy Museum/L.A. Live	No City agencies reported.
			M Advisors LLC	\$50,000	Continued development and operations of LA LIVE.	City Attorney, City Council, Convention and Tourism Development, Planning

	TOP 10 HIGHEST PAYING CLIENTS (cont'd) Based on Aggregated Client Payments Reported for 2017 Q1 (cont'd)					
	Client	Total Payments Reported	Detail o	Detail of Total Payments Agencies		Agencies Lobbied
		From Client	Lobbying Firm	Payment	Project	
8.	Monteverdi LLC c/o Paratus Group	\$119,829	Consensus Inc.	\$85,108	Educational & Research Center/West Los Angeles	No City agencies reported.
			Craig Lawson & Co, LLC	\$34,721	Development Project/West LA [CPC-2016-1417-DB]	City Council, Building and Safety, Planning, Engineering
9.	Harridge Development Group, LLC	\$118.906	Liner LLP	\$32,960	Reseda/Reseda	City Council, Planning
	1 /			\$32,423	Koreatown	City Council, Planning
				\$17,603	Granada Hills	City Council, Neighborhood Councils.
				\$8,967	San Feliciano/ Woodland Hills	Planning
				\$6,067	LA Times Industrial	City Council, Planning
				\$802	Lakeview Terrace	Building and Safety
			Psomas	\$10,313	Subdivision map and related entitlements/3240 Wilshire Boulevard	Planning
			Rosenheim & Associates, Inc.	\$4,800	San Fernando Mission Blvd. & Woodley Ave., Granada Hills (RAA Ref. 16-1093) / Northwest Corner of San Fernando Mission Boulevard and Woodley Avenue, Granada Hills	City Council, Planning
				\$2,872	Mulholland Dr Woodland Hills (RAA Ref. 14-933) / Mulholland Dr Woodland Hills	City Council, Neighborhood Councils, Planning
				\$2,099	Eldridge Avenue, Lakeview Terrace (RAA Ref. 15-1063) / 11600 Eldridge Avenue, Lakeview Terrace	Planning

TOP 10 HIGHEST PAYING CLIENTS (cont'd) Based on Aggregated Client Payments Reported For 2017 Q1					
Client	Total Payments	Detail	Agencies		
Client	Reported From Client	Lobbying Firm	Payment	Project	Lobbied
10. Trammell Crow Residential	\$111,264	Liner LLP	\$64,189	Maple Multi-Family Development L.L.C.	City Attorney, Planning
		Urban Solutions, LLC	\$32,075	Proposed residential development/850 S. Hill Street	City Council
		Kindel Gagan	\$15,000	Development of a mixed-use residential project at 850 S Hill St, LA 90014	City Council, Planning, City, LADOT

F. Fundraising

Lobbying entities are required to disclose the fundraising they engage in on behalf of elected City officials, candidates, and committees. Of the 574 first-quarter lobbying entities, 17 (3 percent) reported fundraising activity, which totaled \$61,750. A breakdown of the first-quarter fundraising activity as reported by these nine lobbying firms and eight lobbyists is provided in the table below. Entities that reported identical amounts for the same candidate or officeholder may have served as co-hosts for the same fundraising event.

	FUNDRAISING 2017 Q1						
F	Rank & Total Raised	Name of Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipients			
1.	\$7,750	Veronica Perez & Associates	Firm	Monica Rodriguez for City Council\$7,750			
2.	\$7,000	Urban Solutions, LLC	Firm*	Curren Price, Jr. for City Council 2017 \$7,000			
3.	\$6,800	Englander Knabe and Allen	Firm	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$2,500 Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 — General\$1,900 Cedillo for City Council General 2017\$1,400 Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder\$1,000			
4.	\$5,800	Kindel Gagan	Firm	Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 – General\$5,800			
5.	\$4,500	Jeffer Mangels Butler & MitchelLLP	Firm	Koretz for City Council 2017 \$4,500			
6.	\$4,500	Benjamin M. Reznick	Lobbyist	Koretz for City Council 2017 \$4,500			

	FUNDRAISING 2017 Q1 (cont'd)							
7.	\$4,100	Jeffrey S. McConnell	Lobbyist	Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 — General				
8.	\$3,900	M Advisors LLC	Firm	Harris-Dawson for City Council 2015 Officeholder\$3,700 Koretz for City Council 2017\$200				
9.	\$3,500	Glaser, Weil, Fink, Howard, Avchen & Shapiro, LLP	Firm	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$2,800 Harris-Dawson for City Council 2015 Officeholder\$700				
10.	\$3,500	Manatt Phelps & Phillips LLP	Firm	Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 – General\$3,500				
11.	\$2,800	James Santa Maria	Lobbyist	Harris-Dawson for City Council 2015\$2,800				
12.	\$2,800	The Santa Maria Group	Firm	Harris-Dawson for City Council 2015\$2,800				
13.	\$1,700	Harvey A. Englander	Lobbyist	Cedillo for City Council General 2017				
14.	\$1,400	David Herbst	Lobbyist	Mike Bonin for City Council 2013 Officeholder Account\$1,400				
15.	\$700	Gregory J. Spiker	Lobbyist	Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder \$700				
16.	\$500	Marcus A. Allen	Lobbyist	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$500				
17.	\$500	Eric W. Rose	Lobbyist	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$500				

*Sole proprietor

G. Contributions

Lobbying entities must also report on a quarterly basis the contributions they make or deliver or for which they act as intermediaries. A lobbying entity delivers a contribution for another person when the lobbying entity causes the contribution to be mailed or physically conveyed to the recipient.

A lobbying entity is an intermediary for a contribution when the lobbying entity makes the contribution, itself, on behalf of another party who then reimburses the lobbying entity. The identity of a person for whom a lobbying entity acts as an intermediary must be disclosed.

The making of certain contributions is prohibited. Los Angeles City Charter Section 470(c)11 bans lobbyists and lobbying firms from making contributions to elected City officials, candidates, or their City-controlled committees if they are required to be registered to lobby the City office the official or candidate holds or seeks. This ban does not extend to lobbyist employers.

In the first quarter, three lobbyist employers reported delivering a combined \$4,900 in contributions. These contributions are detailed in the table on the next page.

	MADE CONTRIBUTIONS 2017 Q1								
ı	Rank & Total Delivered	Name of Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipients					
1.	\$2,100	Apartment Association of Greater L.A.	Employer	Koretz for City Council 2017\$700 Mike Bonin for City Council 2017\$700 Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017\$700					
2.	\$1,400	California Resources Corporation	Employer	Cedillo for City Council 2017					
3.	\$1,400	Laborers Local 300	Employer	Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder \$700 Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 – General\$700					

Also during the reporting period, six lobbyists, four lobbying firms, and two lobbyist employers reported delivering \$46,650 in contributions to the committees of 10 City officeholder and two City Council candidates.

	DELIVERED CONTRIBUTIONS 2017 Q1								
	Total Made	Name of Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipients					
1.	\$9,350	Kindel Gagan	Firm	Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 — General					
2.	\$8,400	Building Owners & Managers Assn	Employer	Bob Blumenfield for City Council 2013 – Officeholder Account					
3.	\$6,800	Englander Knabe and Allen	Firm	Cedillo for City Council General 2017\$3,900 Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 – General\$1,900 Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder\$1,000					
4.	\$4,500	Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP	Firm	Koretz for City Council 2017\$4.500					
5.	\$4,500	Benjamin M. Reznik	Lobbyist	Koretz for City Council 2017\$4.500					

	DELIVERED CONTRIBUTIONS 2017 Q1 (cont'd)							
	Total Made	Name of Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipients				
6.	\$4,100	Jeffrey S. McConnell	Lobbyist	Monica Rodriguez for City Council 2017 – General\$1,900 Cedillo for City Council 2017\$1,000 Cedillo for City Council General 2017\$700 Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder\$500				
7.	\$3,500	Beverly Kenworthy	Lobbyist	Curren Price, Jr. for City Council 2017\$700 Joe Buscaino for City Council 2017\$700 Koretz for City Council 2017\$700 Mike Bonin for City Council 2017\$700 Mitch O'Farrell for City Council 2017\$700				
8.	\$2,100	Central City Association	Employer	Councilmember Curren Price Officeholder Account				
9.	\$1,700	Harvey A. Englander	Lobbyist	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$500 Cedillo for City Council General 2017\$700 Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder\$500				
10.	\$700	Ken Spiker and Assoc Inc	Firm	Krekorian for City Council 2009 Officeholder \$700				
11.	\$500	Marcus A. Allen	Lobbyist	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$500				
12.	\$500	Eric D. Rose	Lobbyist	Cedillo for City Council 2017\$500				

H. Activity Expenses

Lobbying entities are required to report the payments they make to benefit City officials and their immediate family members each quarter. LAMC §§ 48.08(B)(4)–(5), 48.08(C)(5)–(6), 48.08(D)(7)–(8). Activity expenses include gifts, and they must be itemized if they are valued at \$25 or more. *Id.*; LAMC § 48.02. Just as lobbyists and lobbying firms cannot make certain campaign contributions, they also cannot make gifts to City officials. LAMC § 48.5.8(C)(4)(a). Gifts from lobbyist employers are not prohibited, but they may not exceed \$100 per City official per year. LAMC § 48.5.8(C)(4)(b). As noted in the table on the following pages, five lobbyist employers reported activity expenses totaling \$3,582 in the first quarter of 2017.

	ACTIVITY EXPENSES 2017 Q1							
	Total	Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipient	Description	Value		
1.	\$1,650	LA Area Chamber of Commerce	Employer	Mike Ai Deputy District Director Council District 11	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Joe Buscaino Council Member Council District 15	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Raymond Chan Deputy Mayor Office of the Mayor	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Jim Dantona Ch <i>ief of Staff</i> Council District 6	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Mitch Englander Council Member Council District 12	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Ron Galperin City Controller Office of the Controller	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Nicholas Greif Director of Policy and Legislation Council District 4	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Anna Hovasapian Senior Policy Deputy Council District 2	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Rick Jacobs Executive Vice Mayor and Deputy Chief of Staff Office of the Mayor	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Paul Krekorian Council Member Council District 2	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Branimir Kvartuc Communications and Senior Advisor Council District 15	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Nury Martinez Council Member Council District 6	Event Ticket	\$100		
				Paloma Perez-McEvoy Deputy Chief of Staff and Director of Economic Development Council District 9	Event Ticket	\$100		

	ACTIVITY EXPENSES 2017 Q1 (cont'd)							
Total	Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipient	Description	Value			
	LA Area Chamber of Commerce (cont'd from previous page)		Dave Roberts Director of Economic Development & Planning Council District 15	Event Ticket	\$100			
			Cynthia Ruiz Commissioner LACERS	Event Ticket	\$100			
			David Ryu Council Member Council District 4	Event Ticket	\$100			
			Mike Bonin Council Member Council District 11	Event Ticket	\$50			
2. \$1,083	University of Southern California	Employer	James Baker Sergeant, LAPD Operations Central Bureau LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Darnell Davenport Captain, Southwest Division LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Adams Dolores Southeast CPAB LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Karen Erickson Pastor Office of the Mayor	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Patrick Gannon Director of Airports Safety Officer LAWA	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Beatrice Girmala Assistant Chief LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Robert Green Deputy Chief, Operations-Valley Bureau LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Allan Hamilton Captain, Recruitment and Retention LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			

	ACTIVITY EXPENSES 2017 Q1 (cont'd)							
Total	Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipient	Description	Value			
	University of Southern California (continued from previous page)		Eduardo Hewitt External Affairs Office of the Mayor	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Matt Johnson President LA Police Commission	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Cynthia McClain-Hill Commissioner LA Police Commission	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Ethel McGuire Assistant Airport Police Chief LAWA	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Michel Moore Assistant Chief LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Orlando Nieves Sergeant, OCB Special Events LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Alfred Pasos Captain LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Jon Peters Deputy Chief, West Bureau LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Regina Scott Commander, Operations-Valley Bureau LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Steve Soboroff, Vice President La Police Commission	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Richard Tefank Executive Director LA Police Commission	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Anne Tremblay Director, GRYD Program Office of the Mayor	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			
			Chris Waters Captain LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48			

	ACTIVITY EXPENSES 2017 Q1 (cont'd)								
Total	Lobbying Entity	Type of Entity	Recipient	Description	Value				
	University of Southern California (continued from previous page)		Gerald Woodyard Captain, Southwest Division LAPD	LAPD MLK Breakfast	\$48				
			Beatrice Hu Commissioner Los Angeles World Airport Commission	Lunch (reimbursed on April 20, 2017)	\$27				
3. \$675	Hollywood Chamber of Commerce	Employer	Tony Arranaga Communications Director Council District 13	96 th Annual Installation Awards Luncheon	\$75				
			Daniel Halden Field Deputy Council District 13	96 th Annual Installation Awards Luncheon	\$75				
			Mitch O'Farrell Council Member Council District 13	96 th Annual Installation Awards Luncheon	\$75				
			Eva Bitar Motion Picture and Television Manager Board of Public Works	The State of Holywood 2017 with Mitch O'Farrell	\$75				
			Nikki Ezhari Field Deputy Council District 4	The State of Holywood 2017 with Mitch O'Farrell	\$75				
			Sheryl Fox News Secretary Office of the City Attorney	The State of Holywood 2017 with Mitch O'Farrell	\$75				
			Kevin James President Board of Public Works	The State of Holywood 2017 with Mitch O'Farrell	\$75				

	ACTIVITY EXPENSES 2017 Q1 (cont'd)							
Total Lobbying Type of Entity Recipient						Value		
		Hollywood Chamber of Commerce (continued from previous page)		Mitch O'Farrell Council Member Council District 13	The State of Holywood 2017 with Mitch O'Farrell	\$75		
				David Ryu Council Member Council District 4	The State of Holywood 2017 with Mitch O'Farrell	\$75		
4.	\$100	So Cal Gas Co (A Sempra Energy Utility)	Employer	Fredy Ceja Communications Director Council District 1	Meal and event ticket	\$100		
5.	\$74	Pacific Merchant Shipping Association	Employer	Joe Buscaino Council Member Council District 15	Lunch	\$37		
				Gene Seroka Executive Director Port of Los Angels	Lunch	\$37		

I. Public Access

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