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OVER \$15.9 MILLION SPENT TO LOBBY CITY AGENCIES IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2018

Entities registered to lobby City agencies reported receiving payments totaling over \$15.9 million in the second quarter of 2018, according to a summary on the Ethics Commission's agenda for its meeting on Tuesday.

Reports filed by lobbying entities disclosed that clients paid a total of \$15,907,472 to lobby the City during the second quarter. Of the 1,568 clients registered for the second quarter, the ten who made the largest aggregated payments for lobbying services are listed in the Top 10 Highest Paying Clients table (see right).

Payments from these clients totaled \$1,889,239 and represented 11.9 percent of all payments by lobbying clients for the quarter.

The ten lobbying firms receiving the most client payments in the second quarter of 2018 are listed in the Top 10 Highest Paid Lobbying Firms table (see below left). Together, these lobbying firms received a total of \$7,764,897, representing 48.8 percent of all client payments received in the second quarter.

	Top 10 Highest Paying Clients	Total Payments in Q2
1	Lightstone DTLA LLC (and Lightstone and Lightstone Group)	\$251,191
2	Hollywood International Regional Center	\$248,824
3	Crossroads Associates LLC	\$222,288
4	Venus Over Manhattan	\$211,205
5	Harridge Development Group, LLC	\$181,331
6	CIM Group (and 5929 Sunset (Hollywood), LLC and CIM Group, LP)	\$175,946
7	Forest City Residential West, Inc.	\$157,967
8	Watermark Westwood Village LLC	\$150,238
9	Jamison Properties (and Jamison Properties LP and Jamison Properties, LP)	\$148,103
10	Chick-Fil-A	\$142,146

	Top 10 Highest Paid Lobbying Firms	Total Lobbying Payments Received in Q2
1	DLA Piper LLP (US)	\$1,185,834
2	Englander Knabe and Allen	\$1,162,810
3	Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP	\$1,048,535
4	Ek, Sunkin, Klink & Bai	\$1,032,776
5	Craig Lawson & Co., LLC	\$766,778
6	Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac LLP	\$737,043
7	Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP	\$559,213
8	Kindel Gagan	\$472,955
9	MAX DEVELOPMENT LLC dba three6ixty	\$418,272
10	Glaser, Weil, Fink, Howard, Avchen & Shapiro, LLP	\$380,681

Eleven of the 640 second-quarter lobbying entities also reported fundraising activity totaling \$55,249 for City campaigns, officeholders, and committees.

In addition to lobbying entities, the California Hotel and Lodging Association disclosed spending \$53,909 as a major filer in the second quarter of 2018.

The full summary of second-quarter lobbying and major filer activities is available on the Ethics Commission's website. Disclosed information about lobbying entities and their clients can be searched through the Public Data Portal on the Ethics Commission's website.

The 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.