CITY OF ANGELS CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION No. 25-004

RESOLUTION APPROVING A MODIFICATION TO THE CITY OFFICIALS HANDBOOK CHAPTER 9, SECTION B2 – SERIAL MEETINGS

WHEREAS, On December 3, 2024, the City Council unanimously adopted the City Officials Handbook; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9, Section B2 describes "Serial Meetings." That section reads,

"Serial Meetings. These can take place, and are prohibited by the Brown Act, when any member of the Council or City staff contacts more than two (2) Councilmembers for the purpose of deliberating or acting upon an item pending before the Council (does not apply to the public or media). Correspondence that merely takes a position on an issue is acceptable."; and

WHEREAS, City staff can contact no more than two (2) Councilmembers, however, if a Councilmember contacts more than one (1) other Councilmember for the purpose of deliberating or acting upon an item pending before the Council, this may constitute a serial meeting; and

WHEREAS, Staff proposes Chapter 9, Section B2 be modified to read as follows:

"Serial Meetings. Serial meetings are prohibited by the Brown Act. A Serial meeting occurs when any member of City Council contacts more than one (1) other Councilmember or when City staff contact more than two (2) Councilmember for the purpose of deliberating or acting upon an item pending before the Council (does not apply to the public or media). Correspondence that takes a position on an issue does not create or cause a serial meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Angels City Council does Approve a Resolution modifying the City Officials Handbook Chapter 9, Section B2 – Serial Meetings

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of February 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:			
Rose Beristianos, City Clerk			