LAND USE, CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING COUNCIL MEETING
March 27, 2019 | 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

1. Welcome and Self-Introductions

2. Planning and Land Use Management Leadership
Los Angeles City Councilman Marqueece Harris-Dawson was named chair of the powerful Planning and Land Use Management Committee at the end of 2018. Chair Harris-Dawson discusses his priorities and vision as he leads this Committee.

3. Presentation: Figueroa Centre Project
   - Mark Nay, CallisonRTKL

4. Presentation: Fifth and Hill Tower Project
   - Jeffrey Fish, JMF Development
   - Justin Mahramas, Montgomery Clark Advisors
   - Michael O’Boyle, Arquitectonica

5. Action Item
   - Access Sacramento Draft Advocacy Agenda Legislation

6. Legislative Updates
   - February Working Session Recap
   - Access DC Recap

7. Announcements
   - ACCESS Sacramento: 5/14-5/15

Next Land Use, Construction, and Housing Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 22nd | 9AM
April Working Session | April 24th at 9AM
Contact Olivia Lee at olee@lachamber.com for more information
Honorable Marqueece Harris-Dawson
Los Angeles City Council

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson was sworn into office on July 1, 2015, to represent the Eighth District. Within his first 18 months as a Councilmember, he authored Proposition HHH, a $1.2 billion bond for permanent supportive housing, the largest investment towards ending homelessness in the nation. The Councilmember has authorized more affordable housing than anywhere in the city in his first two years in office. On the City Council, Harris-Dawson is a supporter of equity issues like homelessness, jobs, clean streets, and community policing. As a long-time community organizer in South LA, Harris-Dawson relies on his deep roots and relationships.

The Eighth District is home to over 248,000 people with the highest concentration of African Americans in the city located in the Crenshaw District, Hyde Park, and a section of Watts. The Eighth District also consists of Manchester Square, West Adams, Harvard Park, and Magnolia Square. District Eight is nearly 18 square miles, with a median household income of $32,000. Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson knows that South Los Angeles’ greatest resource is its people. The people of South Los Angeles deserve a leader, whose mission is to advocate on their behalf, put their concerns above his own, and instill leadership values in the community.

Councilmember Harris-Dawson grew up in South Los Angeles during the crack cocaine epidemic. As gang and police violence knocked on their front door, his parents moved him and his younger brother out of the neighborhood. Disappointed by being disconnected from “his village,” the Councilmember made it his life’s goal to ensure that no other family had to move out of South Los Angeles to keep their children safe.

Councilmember Harris-Dawson returned to South Los Angeles after graduating from Morehouse College to work for the family real estate business. In 1995, he joined the Community Coalition, one of the most progressive non-profits in the city. His first campaign publicized the horrendous conditions of inner-city high schools and the inequities in the distribution of public funding. It resulted in a groundbreaking $153 million for repair and modernization in South LA schools.

Starting in 2004, Councilmember Harris-Dawson served as President and CEO of Community Coalition, succeeding founder and current Congresswoman Karen Bass. His leadership led a capital campaign to acquire Community Coalition’s headquarters on Vermont Avenue and grew the organization’s influence, size, and financial standing.

Councilmember Harris-Dawson was honored with various community commendations, recognition, and awards such as the coveted Do Something “BRICK” Award, The Wellness Foundation Sabbatical Award, the NAACP Man of Valor Award, Durfee Foundation’s Stanton Fellowship, and Liberty Hill Foundation’s Upton Sinclair Award. He also served as a board member for the Liberty Hill Foundation. He holds a certificate in Nonprofit Management from Stanford’s Graduate School of Business and is an Aspen Institute Pahara Fellow.

Councilmember Harris-Dawson and his wife Karrie are natives of South Los Angeles. His love, compassion, and empathy for the city make him a great advocate of the future.
Access Sacramento – Draft Advocacy Agenda Legislation

SB 50 (Wiener) – More HOMES Act of 2019: Housing, Opportunity, Mobility, Equity, and Stability
This bill waives apartment bans near high-quality transit and in job-rich areas to ensure the benefits of public investments in transportation are broadly accessible to Californians of all incomes. This bill also has specific requirements to provide low-income housing in new development to ensure that market-rate construction is coupled with affordable units. –SUPPORT

SCA 1 (Allen, Wiener) – This bill would eliminate Article 34 of the State Constitution, which requires a citywide public vote before new low-income housing are built.

AB 10 (Chiu, Bonta, Maienschein, Reyes, and Wicks) – This bill increases state allocation of low-income housing tax credits by $500 million.


AB 36 (Bloom) – This is an intent bill on rent control.

SB 4 (Beall) – Enabling Inclusive Workforce Affordable Housing – This bill looks to create more workforce affordable housing through streamlined ministerial review to eligible projects within ½ mile of fixed rail or ferry terminals and would only apply to jurisdictions that have produced fewer housing units than jobs over the past 10 years and are not meeting their regional housing needs goals.

SB 5 (Beall) – This bill looks to appropriate up to $2 billion annually for more housing focused redevelopment.

SB 6 (Beall) – This is a streamlining intent bill to tackle housing crisis by enacting state-wide policy changes that would help encourage housing production, including streamlining approval processes, identifying sufficient and adequate sites for housing construction, and penalizing local decision-making and planning that restricts housing production.

SB 13 (Wieckowski) – This bill would authorize the creation of accessory dwelling units in areas zoned to allow single-family or multiple family dwelling use. It would also revise the requirements for an ADU by providing that the ADU may be attached to, or located within, an attached garage or other structure.

SB 568 (Portatino) – This bill addresses homelessness among college students by establishing housing resources within the Community College, CSU Chancellors’ Offices, and UC Office of the President by maximizing the financial aid received by homeless students and funding allocation from the legislature to the three public higher education systems.