# City of Los Angeles Responsible Banking & Investment Monitoring Program For Investment Banks

Investment banks providing City investment banking services or seeking City investment banking business must complete and submit this form no later than July 1st of each year to the City Administrative Officer to comply with Chapter 5.1, Section 20.95.1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

**Contact Information:** 

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### **CONSUMER PROTECTION**

1.	Is the financial institution currently in compliance with all applicable consumer financial protection laws?			
	Yes No			
	If no, please briefly explain:			
2.	Does the financial institution have policies to prevent the use of illegal predatory consumer adverse sales goals as the bases for evaluation, promotion, discipline or compensation of employees?			
	Yes X No			
	If no, please briefly explain:			
3.	Does the financial institution encourage and maintain whistleblower protection policies for its employees and/or customers to report suspected illegal practices, including predatory sales goals?			
	Yes No			
	If no, please briefly explain:			
4.	In the last five years, has the financial institution been subject to any disciplinary actions such as fines, suspensions, or settlements, undertaken by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the Municipal Securities Regulation Board, the Financial Industry Regulatory Agency and/or any State regulatory agency?			
	Yes No			
5.	If the answer to question no. 4 is yes, please provide in separate attachment labeled Exhibit 3, what the violation(s) are, the reason for the enforcement action, what government agencies are involved, the date of the enforcement action, what is the current status, and how were or will the issues be resolved?			

#### **CERTIFICATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY (\*)**

I certify under penalty of perjury that I have read and understand the questions contained in this form and the responses contained in the form and on all the attachments. I further certify that I have provided full and complete answers to each question, and that all information provided in response to this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Peggy "Pepe" Finn Chairman & CEO	Reagn - Km	6/28/2022
Print Name Title	Signarure	Date

(\*) Signature must be that of the Head of Public Finance or equivalent corporate executive.

PLEASE SEND THE ORIGINAL SIGNED FORM TO THE ADDRESS BELOW AND EMAIL A COPY TO CAO.DEBT@LACITY.ORG.

Office of the City Administrative Officer 200 North Main St. Room 1500 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Attention: Debt Management Group

## Attachment for Question #1 - Responsible Banking Investment Monitoring Program for Investment Banks

Name of Charitable Organization	Туре	Amount (\$)
Los Angeles Regional Food Bank	Donation	500
Los Angeles House of Ruth	Donation	1000
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#### **Stern Brothers Vendor Diversity Policy**

Stern Brothers believes that one of the best ways to serve a diverse client base is to ensure diversity among our vendors that we use to support our business. We are dedicated to promoting diversity and equal opportunity initiatives in all aspects of our business.

As a 100% woman owned firm, Stern is committed to developing mutually beneficial relationships with, and purchase goods and services from certified small, minority or woman-owned, and other such businesses and enterprises with diverse representation in their ownership, management, and personnel. Stern continues to actively seek a wide variety of vendors, service providers and other suppliers in sourcing our support partners.

Stern has and will continue to identify services/products that are represented by diversity businesses and pro-actively reach out and determine which qualified vendors to include and offer opportunities to as available and appropriate.