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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(14) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 04/26/2022

Type of NC Board Action: For

#### Impact Information

Date: 04/28/2022

Update to a Previous Input: Yes

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 22-0280

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: Apologies. The last submission was not official EPNC letterhead. Please disregard and consider this submission. The Echo Park Neighborhood Council supports this motion from Councilmembers Bonin and Harris-Dawson, requesting a report on the development of a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance. Requesting criminal records often results in the elimination of minority communities from consideration for housing units, and justice-involved Angelenos deserve an equal footing in the housing application process.



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## COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF COUNCIL FILE 22-0280

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APRIL 28, 2022

The Echo Park Neighborhood Council supports this motion from Councilmembers Bonin and Harris-Dawson, requesting a report on the development of a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance. Requesting criminal records often results in the elimination of minority communities from consideration for housing units, and justice-involved Angelenos deserve an equal footing in the housing application process.

Furthermore, this motion has the potential to contribute to solutions to the homelessness crisis. Many unhoused Angelenos have accrued criminal records due to city enforcement on those sleeping on sidewalks and in cars. These individuals are often eliminated from the rental application process despite the ability to pay for units with vouchers or new employment.

This council firmly believes that the final bulleted element from the council file for the potential Fair Chance Housing ordinance is critical to the success of the program and is a piece that must be included in its final iteration. That element is:

Create a private right of action for prospective renters, or organizations acting on their behalf, with attorneys' fees, and implement penalties for violations of the ordinance to encourage adherence to the provisions of the Fair Chance Housing Ordinance, discourage discriminatory and/or arbitrary landlord screening practices, and otherwise strengthen the enforceability of the Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

### **RESOLUTION**

On April 26, 2022, the EPNC Board of Governors held a Brown Act noticed-meeting, at 7pm through zoom. With a quorum of 15 board members present and vote count of 14 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstention, the Board resolved to write a letter of support for the application as set forth above.

Respectfully,

Echo Park Neighborhood Council

Handwritten signature of Nick Marcone in black ink.

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Nick Marcone

Secretary, Echo Park Neighborhood Council