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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 24-0867

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Thu, Feb 20, 2025 at 10:17 PM

A Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement (CIS) has been successfully submitted to your Commission or City Council. We provided information below about CISs and attached a copy of the CIS.

We encourage you to reach out to the Community Impact Statement Filer to acknowledge receipt and if this Community Impact Statement will be scheduled at a future meeting. Neighborhood Council board members are volunteers and it would be helpful if they received confirmation that you received their CIS.

The CIS process was enabled by the to Los Angeles Administrative Code §Section 22.819. It provides that, "a Neighborhood Council may take a formal position on a matter by way of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or written resolution." NCs representatives also testify before City Boards and Commissions on the item related to their CIS. If the Neighborhood Council chooses to do so, the Neighborhood Council representative must provide the Commission with a copy of the CIS or resolution sufficiently in advance for review, possible inclusion on the agenda, and posting on the Commission's website. Any information you can provide related to your agenda setting schedule is helpful to share with the NC.

If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *listed on the Commission's agenda*, during the time the matter is heard, the designated Neighborhood Council representative should be given an opportunity to present the Neighborhood Council's formal position. We encourage becoming familiar with the City Council's rules on the subject. At the Chair's discretion, the Neighborhood Council representative may be asked to have a seat at the table (or equivalent for a virtual meeting) typically reserved for City staff and may provide the Neighborhood Council representative more time than allotted to members of the general public. They are also permitted up to five (5) minutes of time to address the legislative body. If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *not listed on the agenda*, the designated Neighborhood Council representative may speak during General Public Comments.

We share this information to assist you with the docketing neighborhood council items before your board/commission. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at empowerla@lacity.org.

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Contact Information

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

Date of NC Board Action: 02/20/2025

Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

Date: 02/21/2025

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 24-0867

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date: 02/20/2025

Item Number:

Summary: The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council is in OPPOSITION to Council File Number 24-0867

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Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

Community Impact Statement
February 20, 2025

To: Council Member Ysabel Jurado, Council Member Eunisses Hernandez, Council Member Monica Rodriguez, LA City Council

Re: **IN OPPOSITION** to Council File 24-0867, proposing term limits for Neighborhood Council Members.

We, the **Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council** represent over 30,000 Angelenos who reside in, or work in Lincoln Heights including Council Districts 1 and 14. We declare that on **February 20, 2025**, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the **Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council** with a quorum of **9** board members present and that by a vote of :

14 (number) yes, _____ (number) no, and _____ (number) abstentions

Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council hereby stands in opposition to the aforementioned council file's motion to set term limits onto Neighborhood Council Seats. We believe this will further disenfranchise community members involved on these platforms, and will discourage others from participating in our local governments. If the fear is a lack of inclusion on these boards, the motion should be amended so that ALL Neighborhood Council go through a public election process for their seats.

It is important to note that the NC system was built in a radical manner, to connect locals to the city government, which often overlooks and abuses communities through their severely disconnected policies. For marginalized communities, getting involved in the Neighborhood Council is not always feasible, as it is an unpaid volunteer position that allots to 20+ hours a week. Setting term limits for volunteers, is the complete opposite of inclusion, as we are now telling locals they have a temporary place in leadership for their very own neighborhoods and communities. For those that have stepped up into joint the Neighborhood Council System for the first time, it takes at least two to three terms to truly understand how this platform runs, how to network, and how to organize. It is quite alarming to limit this growth, by setting a deadline for participation, growth, collaboration, and leadership development.

If the issue is that of accessibility, let us make policy that allows for inclusion of all languages, classes, and able-ness. Term limits does not absolve the Neighborhood Council system from being accessible.

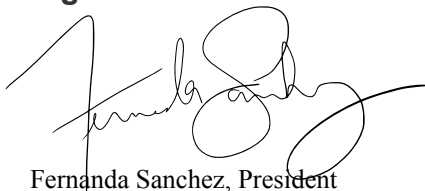
Statements through the City Clerk's online web system at <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/cis>.

We therefore move to oppose the term limit language on this file, and further move to amend and omit.

Be it further resolved, in cases where an issue is moving quickly through the legislative process and a promptly issued statement is beneficial, the aforementioned board members are authorized to also WRITE and SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which express positions previously voted upon by the full board. Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council authorizes the following board members, Fernanda Sanchez, Selena Ortega, to SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which have been passed by a vote of the full board.

IN WITNESS of the above action, the undersigned has executed and delivered this certificate in the name and on behalf of the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council and as of the date set forth below.

Signature of President



Fernanda Sanchez, President
Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

