

MOTION

TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #54

Action is needed to provide assistance to Council District 6 residents who work in the informal service sector. Due to the Palisades Fire and other fires, these workers will now be at a loss for that stream of income. These constituents will need help, and may not be able to access emergency resources such as FEMA and other Federal or State Aid programs.

Although the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has authorized the use of federal funds to assist those affected by the Palisades and LA County fires, certain community members from CD6 such as housekeepers, pool cleaners, gardeners, personal chefs, caretakers, drivers, and other informal service workers may struggle to access this support. A stark reminder that our local economy is interconnected, means a disaster in one part of the City still affects the most vulnerable in others. For that reason, it is necessary to develop an alternative relief fund to support Council District 6 constituents with micro-enterprises, sole proprietorship, and self employment situations. Failing to support this critical sector can lead to CD6 residents being unable to pay for expenses that can lead to homelessness, evictions, or food insecurity.

ICON CDC operates the City of Los Angeles Business Source Centers of the North and South valley regions. They have continuously provided resources to help diverse entrepreneurs and small business owners succeed, including helping businesses legitimize themselves by acquiring proper permits and licenses. Their experience and success working with micro-entrepreneurs and street vendors in CD 6 has proven to be an asset to the economic growth of the Northeast San Fernando Valley.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the City Clerk, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, transfer \$25,000 in Council District 6 discretionary funds (AB 1290) to ICON CDC in order to create and administer a temporary relief fund program that would help constituents of Council District 6 who work in Palisades and other communities that have been burned by the wildfires in January 2025 suffering income losses.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be instructed and authorized to prepare, process and execute the necessary documents with and/or payments to ICON CDC, or any other agency or organization, as appropriate, utilizing the above amount, for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

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SECONDED BY: Monica Rodriguez

  
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