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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 15-0389-S2 - Agenda Item Number: 2

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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 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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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(11) Nay(1) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 04/09/2024

Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

Date: 04/17/2024

Update to a Previous Input: No

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Summary: The Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council, at a Brown Act compliant special meeting, voted to OPPOSE "granting community councils the same privileges as those afforded to Neighborhood Councils" as envisioned by this motion. All certified Neighborhood Councils are required to comply with the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.), Public Records Act (Government Code Section 7920 et seq.) and the policies and rules of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the City Clerk's NC Funding Program

and NC Election Division, including several training requirements. In contrast, “community councils” are not subject to these requirements, which serve to promote Neighborhood Council transparency, accountability and public participation. Rather than providing special treatment of “community councils,” the City Council should instead instruct the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to prioritize the formation of Neighborhood Councils in areas where they do not now exist, with the goal of achieving 100% coverage of the City by certified Neighborhood Councils. Alternatively, if the City Council is concerned with hearing from the voices of its Neighborhood Councils it could reinstate telephonic comment at committee hearings and make Neighborhood Council comment separate from public comment in order to ensure that our voices are heard. Too often Neighborhood Councils have not been granted their mandated time to speak due to policies of City Council that disenfranchise these dedicated volunteers who are devoted to their community.

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