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## Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 24-0602

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 To: Clerk.CIS@lacity.org  
 Cc: michael.sweeney@ernc.la

Sat, Sep 7, 2024 at 9:52 AM

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 rResolution 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](mailto:empowerla@lacity.org).

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### Contact Information

Neighborhood Council: Eagle Rock

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(13) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 08/06/2024

Type of NC Board Action: For

### Impact Information

Date: 09/07/2024

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 24-0602

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) supports CF 24-0602 and asks City Council to pass this motion expediently in order to protect human and environmental health. In recent years, artificial turf/synthetic grass has often been installed for purposes of water conservation or to accommodate recreational activity. Synthetic grass, also known as artificial turf, is created by fusing together rubber and mixed plastics and a backing made from latex and polyurethane or polyvinyl chloride. These products are now known to contain harmful substances such as per- and poly-

fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) or “forever chemicals” now categorized as hazardous substances as well as numerous other toxic components, all of which have been shown to leach into the air, water and soil. The EPA has concluded that exposure to PFAS may lead to reproductive effects, developmental delays, and risks of some cancers. Exposure can occur through inhalation, ingestion, skin contact, and mucous membrane exposure, including microplastic dust kicked up on artificial turf fields. Additional concerns about artificial turf include: Contributing to Heat Island Effect Affecting water permeability Reducing habitat / food sources for pollinators and wildlife No proven water savings Los Angeles has an opportunity to become the first major city in the United States to take such action; we urge you to support this motion and continue the leadership that Council has shown on vital environmental concerns.

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**ERNC CIS in Support of CF 24-0602.pdf**

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**CIS in Support of CF 24-0602, Synthetic Grass / Artificial Turf / Polyflouroalkyl Substances (PFAS) / Forever Chemicals / Health and Environmental Risks / Drought-Friendly Landscaping**

August 7, 2024

Los Angeles City Council  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilmembers:

We declare that on August 6, 2024, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) at which a quorum was present, and that the following CIS passed unanimously:

**The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) supports CF 24-0602 and asks City Council to pass this motion expediently in order to protect human and environmental health.**

In recent years, artificial turf/synthetic grass has often been installed for purposes of water conservation or to accommodate recreational activity. Synthetic grass, also known as artificial turf, is created by fusing together rubber and mixed plastics and a backing made from latex and polyurethane or polyvinyl chloride. These products are now known to contain harmful substances such as per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) or “forever chemicals” now categorized as hazardous substances as well as numerous other toxic components, all of which have been shown to leach into the air, water and soil. The EPA has concluded that exposure to PFAS may lead to reproductive effects, developmental delays, and risks of some cancers. Exposure can occur through inhalation, ingestion, skin contact, and mucous membrane exposure, including microplastic dust kicked up on artificial turf fields.

Additional concerns about artificial turf include:

- Contributing to Heat Island Effect
- Affecting water permeability
- Reducing habitat / food sources for pollinators and wildlife
- No proven water savings

Los Angeles has an opportunity to become the first major city in the United States to take such action; we urge you to support this motion and continue the leadership that Council has shown on vital environmental concerns.

Please place this letter in the case file, and acknowledge its receipt via email to: executive@ernc.la.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of stylized initials 'MS' followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line that curves upwards at the end.

Michael Sweeney, President  
Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council

cc: Alice Roth, CD 14 Eagle Rock District Director