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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 15-0989-S47 - Agenda Item Number: 7

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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 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.

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Contact Information

Neighborhood Council: Historic Cultural North

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(15) Nay(1) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 01/27/2025

Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

Date: 02/10/2025

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 15-0989-S47

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date: 02/11/2025

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Summary: Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council approved the following Community Impact Statement in opposition to the motion introduced in Council File #15-0989-S47: The Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council opposes the motion introduced in Council File #15-0989-S47, which asks the City Planning Department, with assistance from the City Attorney's Office, to draft an ordinance exempting Olympics projects from CEQA, City Planning, zoning, and

other regulations. What the motion is asking for sounds dramatic: "exemptions for all Olympic and Paralympic temporary and permanent venues, training facilities, security perimeters, broadcast and media centers, transit infrastructure, live sites and fan zones, and associated structures from the requirements of City Planning approvals, zoning regulations, and permitting processes." The motion would create a "dedicated unit to manage and expedite all development services related to Olympic and Paralympic Games projects and projects related to other major events" in the city's Department of Building and Safety. The proposal raises several concerns: 1. What is the process for determining whether a project is essential for the Olympics? 2. What criteria would be used to determine which projects qualify for these wide-ranging exemptions? 3. What other "major events" would qualify projects for these exemptions? This proposal introduces many opportunities for abuse. Major, permanent, development projects that could dramatically alter our neighborhoods could be forced on our communities with no transparency or community engagement. The 2028 Olympic and Paralympic games were awarded over seven years ago and promoted as "no-build" games. The lack of progress by the games organizers, both in the private and public sector, should not be used as an excuse to weaken regulations that protect our communities from exploitative and damaging developments.

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Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement

January 27, 2025

Community Impact Statement (CIS) Opposing Council File #15-0989-S47 on City Planning and Other Exemptions for Olympics-Related Projects

We, the **Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council** declare that on **January 27, 2025**, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the **Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council** with a quorum of 16 board members present and that by a vote of:

15 yes, 1 no, 0 abstention, and 0 ineligible the

Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council approved the following Community Impact Statement in opposition to the motion introduced in Council File #15-0989-S47:

The Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council opposes the motion introduced in Council File #15-0989-S47, which asks the City Planning Department, with assistance from the City Attorney’s Office, to draft an ordinance exempting Olympics projects from CEQA, City Planning, zoning, and other regulations.

What the motion is asking for sounds dramatic: "exemptions for all Olympic and Paralympic temporary and permanent venues, training facilities, security perimeters, broadcast and media centers, transit infrastructure, live sites and fan zones, and associated structures from the requirements of City Planning approvals, zoning regulations, and permitting processes." The motion would create a “dedicated unit to

manage and expedite all development services related to Olympic and Paralympic Games projects and projects related to other major events" in the city's Department of Building and Safety.

The proposal raises several concerns:

1. What is the process for determining whether a project is essential for the Olympics?
2. What criteria would be used to determine which projects qualify for these wide-ranging exemptions?
3. What other "major events" would qualify projects for these exemptions?

This proposal introduces many opportunities for abuse. Major, permanent, development projects that could dramatically alter our neighborhoods could be forced on our communities with no transparency or community engagement.

The 2028 Olympic and Paralympic games were awarded over seven years ago and promoted as "no-build" games. The lack of progress by the games organizers, both in the private and public sector, should not be used as an excuse to weaken regulations that protect our communities from exploitative and damaging developments.

With a vote of 15 in favor, 1 in opposition, and 0 abstention, the Board voted in support of this statement in opposition to the motion in Council File.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phyllis Ling". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Phyllis Ling
Chair, Historic Cultural North Neighborhood Council