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## Community Impact Statement - Submission Details

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Tue, Feb 20, 2024 at 9:46 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 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](mailto:empowerla@lacity.org).

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### Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(8) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 02/20/2024

Type of NC Board Action: For

### Impact Information

Date: 02/21/2024

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 23-1027

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Rampart Village Neighborhood Council (RVNC) supports Council File 23-1027 which requests that the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), with assistance from the City Attorney and City Clerk, report back with best practices for a Charter reform process and options to create a commission to evaluate and provide recommendations on Charter reform for the 2024 or 2026 ballots. It also requests that the City Attorney, the CLA, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), Ethics Commission, and the Planning Department report back with separate recommendations for identifying and prioritizing sections in the Charter that would benefit from reform to modernize the City's organizational infrastructure and/or support more strategic citywide policies. Most importantly, that the CLA seek and incorporate equitable input from Council Offices and other City stakeholders regarding Charter reform and include in the report these concerns and/or recommendations.

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**CIS for Council File 23-1027.pdf**

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## **Community Impact Statement for Council 23-1027**

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February 20, 2024

Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council,

**Community Impact Statement  
Charter Reform / Commission Creation / Periodic  
Review / Organizational Infrastructure / Strategic Policies  
Council File 23-1027**

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Along with Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Council, the RVNC thanks the City Council for your attention to this matter and we appreciate your commitment to strengthening our community.

In service,  
Rampart Village Neighborhood Council

PRESENTED BY: Lara Morrison  
SECONDED BY: Quazi Huda  
YES: 8 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1 INELIGIBLE: 0  
ON THIS DATE: February 20, 2024