

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the feasibility of amending current City Land Use Codes in connection with health impacts at oil and gas wells and drill sites.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning (DCP) to report on the necessary budget and staff needs to further address oil wells in urban residential neighborhoods in the City, including:
 - a. Hiring an expert to conduct an amortization study of drill sites in residential neighborhoods of the City to determine a legally justifiable amortization period for the establishment of health and safety buffers for existing wells, including the development of parameters for this study.
 - b. Developing changes to the zoning code, upon completion of an amortization study, to codify restrictions, processes, and requirements with respect to drill sites in residential neighborhoods, particularly in disadvantaged neighborhoods.
 - c. Working with the assistance of the City Attorney to begin drafting an Ordinance in the interim to prohibit oil and gas extraction, and make extraction activities a non-conforming use in all zones.
2. INSTRUCT the Office of Petroleum and Gas Administration and Safety (OPNGAS) to report on the types of health assessments available, and on the costs necessary to conduct health assessments at oil and gas drill sites in residential neighborhoods in the City.
3. INSTRUCT the OPNGAS to participate in the California Air Resources Board's Study of Neighborhood Air near Petroleum Sources (SNAPS) programs and studies and utilize the findings to develop air monitoring and community notification programs for drill sites in residential neighborhoods in the City.
4. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) to report on the necessary budget and staff needs if designated with Health Officer Authority, and/or to transfer the Hazardous Waste Generator Program to the LAFD from the County of Los Angeles.
5. ADOPT Recommendations 6 and 10 of the OPNGAS report dated July 29, 2019, attached to Council File No. 17-0447, as follows:
 - a. INSTRUCT the Petroleum Administrator and other relevant City Staff to report back on possible measures to establish Community Emergency Preparedness and Comprehensive Safety Plans at oil and gas drills sites across the City.
 - b. INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Officer (CLA) to add to the City's Legislative Agenda the funding for additional oil and gas health studies to be conducted by State of California, Southern California Air Quality Management District, and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Board of Public Works. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For: Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
Wilmington Neighborhood Council
Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council
Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council
Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council
Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Rampart Village Neighborhood Council
Glassell Park Neighborhood Council
Venice Neighborhood Council
Greater Echo Park Elysian Neighborhood Council
Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Los Feliz Neighborhood Council
Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council
Tarzana Neighborhood Council
Park Mesa Heights Neighborhood Council
Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council
Community and Neighborhoods for Ninth District Unity Neighborhood Council
Atwater Village Neighborhood Council
Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council
Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council
Zapata-King Neighborhood Council
Northridge South Neighborhood Council
Encino Neighborhood Council
Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council
Palms Neighborhood Council Hollywood
United Neighborhood Council
Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council
Westwood Neighborhood Council
West Adams Neighborhood Council
Mid-City West Neighborhood Council
Westside Neighborhood Council
Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council

For As Is:
Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council

For if Amended:
Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council
Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council
Northridge East Neighborhood Council
Del Rey Neighborhood Council

Against unless Amended:
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

(Also referred to the Budget and Finance Committee, Health, Education, Neighborhoods, Parks, Arts, and River Committee; and, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee)

Summary:

At its regular meeting held on December 1, 2020, the Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice (ECCEJ) Committee considered the Board of Public Works (BPW) report dated July 29, 2019 relative to instructing City departments to report on the feasibility of amending current City Land Use Codes in connection with health impacts at oil and gas wells and drill sites, which is attached to Council File No. 17-0447. The ECCEJ Committee also discussed matters relative to the legal review of the Office of Petroleum and Natural Gas Administration and Safety's (OPNGAS) recommendations contained in its report entitled *Feasibility of Amending Current City Land Use Codes in Connection with Health Impacts and Oil and Gas Wells and Drill Sites*, relative to Council File No. 17-0447-S1, with input from the OPNGAS and City Attorney's Office. After providing an opportunity for the public comment, the ECCEJ Committee moved to approve the recommendations as detailed above. This matter is transmitted to the Budget and Finance Committee, Health, Education, Neighborhoods, Parks, Arts, and River Committee; and, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
MARTINEZ:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES

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