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The Echo Park Neighborhood Council (EPNC) calls upon the Los Angeles City Council to cancel its scheduled exorbitant increase in the permits for street vendors. With hundreds of thousands of our neighbors facing evictions, increasing fees for those on the razor's edge is unconscionable. We ask that the Council, with your leadership, Madam President:

1. Halve the current fee, set to expire on June 30th, to \$100, and institute a Fee Waiver program for those receiving public benefits or are unable to pay their rent. Additionally, the city should develop a sliding scale fee structure so that those on fixed incomes or living below the poverty line would have the opportunity to lift themselves up financially.
2. Support a moratorium on enforcement against unpermitted street vendors that will allow them to operate until the county has approved legal vending carts, which do not yet exist.

As we all know, the LatinX community— which makes up the majority of street vendors— has been crushed by COVID-19, due to both loss of income and the devastating loss of loved ones. Raising fees on the most vulnerable of Angelenos at a time when so many are struggling is bad policy and likely only to exacerbate the extreme hardship vendors and their families have suffered under for more than a year. As people try to rebuild their finances and keep their families safe, we urge you not to thwart their efforts with prohibitively expensive obstacles.

RESOLUTION

On June 22, 2021, the EPNC Board of Governors held a Brown Act noticed meeting, at 7pm through zoom. With a quorum of 18 board members present and vote count of 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and 2 ineligible the Board resolved to write a letter of support if amended for the application as set forth above.

Respectfully,
Echo Park Neighborhood Council

Nick Marcone
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