May 17, 2021

Sent via email CityClerk@lacity.org Los Angeles City Council 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Objection to amending Sections 19.00 through 19.12 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) for a Comprehensive Fee Update; Council File No. 09-0969-S3; Agenda Item 13

Honorable President Martinez and Councilmembers:

Please include this letter and attachments in the record of the above-referenced matter. I incorporate by reference all objections to the amendment of LAMC and a fee update/increase for non-applicant appeals.

As always, there is a massive disconnect between what constituents need and what the City wishes to impose on us "just because." This fee increase is just another way the City attempts (and usually succeeds) in shutting down any legitimate opposition to the irresponsible decision-making by the Department of City Planning, City Planning Commission, Planning and Land Use Committee, and City Council.

The current appeal fee is \$109 when including taxes and surcharges (\$112 if paying by credit card). The proposed new base fee of \$161 would be almost \$200 when including such additional charges. Many projects require that the public file multiple appeals, each paid separately, at separate appeal levels. The appeal fees can therefore quickly escalate to \$600 or more for the community to exhaust its administrative remedies.

It's pocket-change for every person involved in raising this fee. See **Exhibit A** for the exorbitant salaries handed to all of you. Of course, the one person - Sharon Tso - that asked decision-makers to consider a \$16,000+ raise is the one person who makes more than everyone else.

The current appeal fee is, however, a financial burden for many of us. See **Exhibit B** median income of constituents. We take on the expense because we simply want an opportunity to participate in decisions that affect our daily lives and well-being.

City officials shut us down in so many other ways through Brown Act violations, giving us a measly one (1) minute to say our peace during meetings, and ignoring us entirely until it's election time. Do not be so utterly obvious as to put another obstacle in our path to publicly participate in the decisions the City makes that tend to do more harm than good.

Reject the fee increase!

Sincerely, Veronica Lebron Stakeholder & Voter

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City of Los Angeles Councilmember Salaries

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Gilbert Cedillo

COUNCIL MEMBER (2019)

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Regular pay: \$209,681.36

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$0.00

Total pay: \$209,681.36

Benefits: \$77,402.00

Total pay & benefits: \$287,083.36

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Paul Krekorian

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Other pay: \$0.00

Total pay: \$209,681.36

Benefits: \$83,251.00

Total pay & benefits: \$292,932.36

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Robert Blumenfield

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Paul Koretz

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Regular pay: \$209,681.36

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$0.00

Total pay: \$209,681.36

Benefits: \$80,594.00

Total pay & benefits: \$290,275.36

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Nury Martinez

COUNCIL MEMBER (2019)

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Monica Rodriguez

COUNCIL MEMBER (2019)

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Regular pay: \$209,681.36

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: -\$2,637.07

Total pay: \$207,044.29

Benefits: \$83,251.00

Total pay & benefits: \$290,295.29

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Marqueece Harris-Dawson

COUNCIL MEMBER (2019)

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Curren Price

COUNCIL MEMBER (2019)

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Regular pay: \$209,681.36

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Michael J Bonin

Council Member (2018)

Note: From 2011-2017, the "total benefits" value reflects only the employer-cost of health benefits.

Regular pay: \$206,011.93

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$735.55

Total pay: \$206,747.48

Benefits: \$78,926.00

Total pay & benefits: \$285,673.48

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Mitch O'farrell

Council Member (2018)

Note: From 2011-2017, the "total benefits" value reflects only the employer-cost of health benefits.

Regular pay: \$206,011.23

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$233.21

Total pay: \$206,244.44

Benefits: \$75,963.00

Total pay & benefits: \$282,207.44

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Giuseppe Buscaino

COUNCIL MEMBER (2019)

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Regular pay: \$209,681.36

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$0.00

Total pay: \$209,681.36

Benefits: \$83,251.00

Total pay & benefits: \$292,932.36

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Kevin Keller

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PLANNING (2019)

Note: From 2011-2017, the "total benefits" value reflects only the employer-cost of health benefits.

Regular pay: \$217,052.53

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$10,574.16

Total pay: \$227,626.69

Benefits: \$80,906.00

Total pay & benefits: \$308,532.69

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Raoul Mendoza

CHIEF MANAGEMENT ANALYST (2019)

Note: From 2011-2017, the "total benefits" value reflects only the employer-cost of health benefits.

Regular pay: \$99,102.56

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$2,027.20

Total pay: \$101,129.76

Benefits: \$40,681.00

Total pay & benefits: \$141,810.76

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Raoul Mendoza

SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANALYST II (2019)

Note: From 2011-2017, the "total benefits" value reflects only the employer-cost of health benefits.

Regular pay: \$29,335.02

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$1,360.00

Total pay: \$30,695.02

Benefits: \$12,140.00

Total pay & benefits: \$42,835.02

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Vincent Bertoni

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING (2019)

Note: From 2011-2017, the "total benefits" value reflects only the employer-cost of health benefits.

Regular pay: \$253,044.72

Overtime pay: \$0.00

Other pay: \$6,000.00

Total pay: \$259,044.72

Benefits: \$96,763.00

Total pay & benefits: \$355,807.72

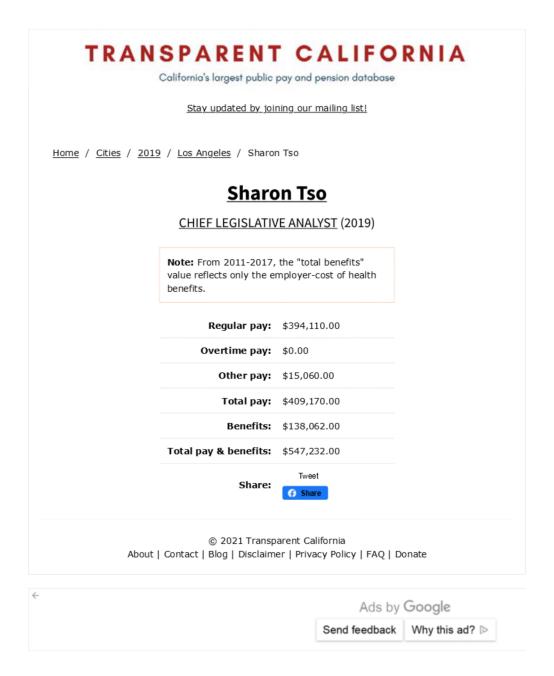
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City of Los Angeles Chief Legislative Analyst Salary



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EXHIBIT B

City of Los Angeles Constituent Median Income

2019 CITY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING

CITYWIDE DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

(SOURCE: American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019)

POPULATION

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Total person	3,966,936	
CITIZENSHIP		Percent
Native born	2,504,590	63.1%
Foreign born - naturalized	694,617	17.5%
Foreign born - non citizen	767,729	19.4%

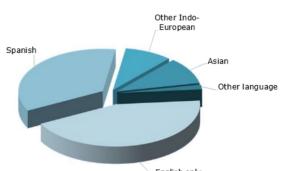
HOUSING AND TENURE		Percent
Total dwelling units	1,493,108	· cr ccirc
Vacant units	109,239	7.3%
Occupied units	1,383,869	92.7%
		36.8%
Owner occupied	509,504	63.2%
Renter occupied	874,365	63.2%
DWELLING UNITS PER GROSS ACRE	5.0	

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		Percent
English only	605,803	43.8%
Spanish	485,565	35.1%
linguistic isolation	120,458	24.8%
Other Indo-European	126,498	9.1%
linguistic isolation	27,601	21.8%
Asian	140,713	10.2%
linguistic isolation	44,680	31.8%
Other language	25,290	1.8%
linguistic isolation	3,782	15.0%

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME

HOUSEHOLDS BY PRESENCE OF PEOPLE UNDER A	AGE 18	Percent
Households with 1 or more people under 18 years	405,443	29.3%
Husband-wife family with people under age 18	249,178	61.5%
Male - no wife present with children under 18	45,681	11.3%
Female - no husband present with children under 18	108,183	26.7%
Nonfamily with children under age 18	2,401	0.6%
Households with no people under 18 years	978,426	70.7%

HOUSEHOLD and CHILDREN



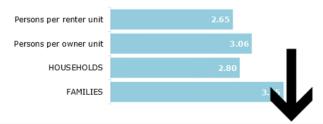
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	English only	
HOUSEHOLD TYPE		Percent
Family Households	824,065	
Husband-wife	534,622	38.6%
Male householder, no wife present	93,054	6.7%
Female householder, no husband present	196,389	14.2%
NonFamily Households	559,804	
Householder living alone	418,680	30.3%
Householder not living alone	141,124	10.2%

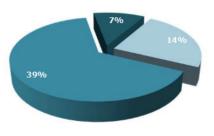
PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	2.80	
Persons in owner occupied units	1,560,922	40.2%
Persons per owner occupied unit	3.06	
Persons in renter occupied units	2,318,196	59.8%
Persons per renter occupied unit	2.65	

TOTAL FAMILIES	824,065
Families per household	0.60
Persons in families	3,092,547
Persons per family	3.75

HOUSEHOLD SIZE and FAMILY SIZE



FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS



- Husband-wife
- Male householder, no wife present
- Female householder, no husband present

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

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\$62,142

PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLDS	3,879,118	
1-person household	418,680	30.3%
2-person households	399,841	28.9%
3-person households	212,742	15.4%
4-person households	180,936	13.1%
5-person households	94,650	6.8%
6-person households	41,370	3.0%
7-or-more-person households	35,650	2.6%

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2019 CITY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING

HOLLYWOOD DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

(SOURCE: American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019)

Spanish

POPULATION

Total person	195,709	
CITIZENSHIP		Percent
Native born	124,837	63.8%
Foreign born - naturalized	36,081	18.4%
Foreign born - non citizen	34,790	17.8%

HOUSING AND TENURE		Percent
Total dwelling units	108,423	
Vacant units	14,156	13.1%
Occupied units	94,266	86.9%
Owner occupied	19,088	20.2%
Renter occupied	75,178	79.8%
DWELLING UNITS PER GROSS ACRE	6.8	

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		Percent
English only	50,104	53.2%
Spanish	20,558	21.8%
linguistic isolation	7,040	34.2%
Other Indo-European	14,413	15.3%
linguistic isolation	5,600	38.9%
Asian	7,525	8.0%
linguistic isolation	2,333	31.0%
Other language	1,666	1.8%
linguistic isolation	444	26.6%

HOUSEHOLDS BY PRESENCE OF PEOPLE UNDER AC	GE 18	Percent
Households with 1 or more people under 18 years	13,020	13.8%
Husband-wife family with people under age 18	8,309	63.8%
Male - no wife present with children under 18	1,203	9.2%
Female - no husband present with children under 18	3,390	26.0%
Nonfamily with children under age 18	118	0.9%
Households with no people under 18 years	81,247	86.2%

HOUSEHOLD and CHILDREN



43,960

15,423

46.6%

16.4%

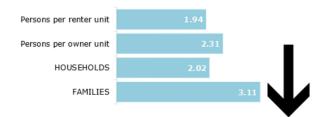
63.8%

PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	2.02	
Persons in owner occupied units	44,016	23.2%
Persons per owner occupied unit	2.31	
Persons in renter occupied units	145,989	76.8%
Persons per renter occupied unit	1.94	

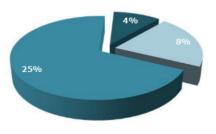
English only		
HOUSEHOLD TYPE		Percent
Family Households	34,884	
Husband-wife	23,987	25.4%
Male householder, no wife present	3,615	3.8%
Female householder, no husband present	7,281	7.7%
NonFamily Households	59,383	

TOTAL FAMILIES	34,884
Families per household	0.37
Persons in families	108,641
Persons per family	3.11

HOUSEHOLD SIZE and FAMILY SIZE



FAMILY	HOUSEHOLI	DS
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Husband-wife

Male householder, no wife present

Female householder, no husband present

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

\$56,998

0.9%

children under age 18

Nonfamily with

PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLDS	190,004	
1-person household	43,960	46.6%
2-person households	30,969	32.9%
3-person households	9,374	9.9%
4-person households	6,351	6.7%
5-person households	2,625	2.8%
6-person households	728	0.8%
7-or-more-person households	259	0.3%

Householder living alone

Householder not living alone

2019 CITY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING

SILVER LAKE - ECHO PARK - ELYSIAN VALLEY DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

(SOURCE: American Community Survey (ACS) 2015-2019)

POPULATION

nage 2

Total person	71,460	
CITIZENSHIP		Percent
Native born	49,831	69.7%
Foreign born - naturalized	11,962	16.7%
Foreign born - non citizen	9,666	13.5%

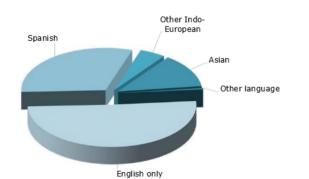
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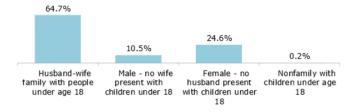
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		Percent
English only	14,622	50.7%
Spanish	8,875	30.8%
linguistic isolation	1,968	22.2%
Other Indo-European	1,426	4.9%
linguistic isolation	190	13.3%
Asian	3,716	12.9%
linguistic isolation	996	26.8%
Other language	181	0.6%
linguistic isolation	26	14.3%

HOUSEHOLDS BY PRESENCE OF PEOPLE UNDER AG	E 18	Percent
Households with 1 or more people under 18 years	5,606	19.5%
Husband-wife family with people under age 18	3,627	64.7%
Male - no wife present with children under 18	589	10.5%
Female - no husband present with children under 18	1,380	24.6%
Nonfamily with children under age 18	10	0.2%
Households with no people under 18 years	23,214	80.5%

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME

HOUSEHOLD and CHILDREN





HOUSEHOLD TYPE		Percent
Family Households	13,482	
Husband-wife	8,959	31.1%
Male householder, no wife present	1,593	5.5%
Female householder, no husband present	2,930	10.2%
NonFamily Households	15,338	
Householder living alone	9,923	34.4%
Householder not living alone	5,415	18.8%

PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	2.44	
Persons in owner occupied units	25,728	36.6%
Persons per owner occupied unit	2.70	
Persons in renter occupied units	44,519	63.4%
Persons per renter occupied unit	2.31	

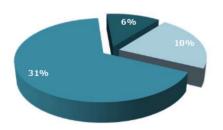
Families per household	0.47
Persons in families	46,744
Persons per family	3.47

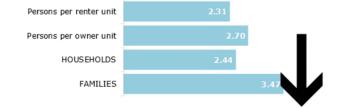
TOTAL FAMILIES

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS

HOUSEHOLD SIZE and FAMILY SIZE





Husband-wife	
Male householder, no wife present	

PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLDS	70,247	
1-person household	9,923	34.4%
2-person households	9,898	34.3%
3-person households	4,091	14.2%
4-person households	2,741	9.5%
5-person households	1,272	4.4%
6-person households	585	2.0%
7-or-more-person households	310	1.1%

Female householder, no husband present

Exhibit B - 4

13,482

\$68,875