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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(11) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 07/11/2022

Type of NC Board Action: For if Amended

Impact Information

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Council File Number: 21-1472

Agenda Date: 07/11/2022

Item Number: 4.6

Summary: The Mid-City Neighborhood Council supports the creation of an independent redistricting commission. It is a necessary and overdue step for the City Council and Los Angeles Unified School Board Districts. During the 2021 redistricting process, Neighborhood Councils had to expend a great deal of energy and time to fight for our neighborhoods in what was clearly a polarized and politicized process. It is time for the City to align with the County and the State and have an independent redistricting commission. Should the voters pass this ballot measure as proposed, the City Council should immediately initiate the redistricting process. Furthermore, we strongly believe that the City Council size needs to be expanded. It is simply not possible for 15 council members to govern 4 million people. Each City Council person is supposed to represent over a quarter million residents. For comparison, in New York City (8.4 million people, 51 council districts), each council district represents approximately 160,000-170,000 people. In Chicago (2.71 million people, 50 wards), each alderman represents approximately 54,000 people. The City Council districts are simply too large to govern each area well and have created an environment rife with opportunity for corruption by concentrating so much power in so few hands as evidenced by a fifth of our council coming under indictment in the last decade. Thank you for your time and consideration. Best Regards, Mid City Neighborhood Council

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RE: November 2022 Ballot / Ballot Measure / City Charter Amendment / Independent Redistricting Commission

Council File 21-1472

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