

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello, I am writing to urge the Finance & Budget Committee, and the rest of L.A. City Council to increase funding for the Neighborhood Council system. There are many Neighborhood Councils in underprivileged neighborhoods that do not have sufficient funding to do outreach and or host social events to engage with their communities. I would like the L.A. City Council to increase funding for the Neighborhood Councils and divert money from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) because the LAPD is the most overfunded and expensive city department in the City of Los Angeles. It is time for the City Council to do more for community development and social programs. Thank you!