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Neighborhood Council

September 5, 2013

Mayor Garcetti
Los Angeles City Council
200 N Spring St,
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Re: Fracking

On September 4, 2013, the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council Board passed the following motion by a vote of 9-0-1.

Whereas, Modern drilling and fracking may be an engineering marvel, it also results in millions of gallons of toxic wastewater and thousands of tons of solid waste for each new well; and
Whereas, Fracking causes serious air pollution problems and creates serious short term and long term risks to drinking water resources.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council has voted oppose all fracking in California.

Please take the wishes of the residents as expressed through the Neighborhood Council into account with regard to the current council files (CF# 13-1152, 13-1152-S1) and the eventual ordinance on this subject.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Weichelt
President, Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council

Cc: Councilmembers Koretz, Bonin, Huizar & Parks

Ref: CF# 13-1152, 13-1152-S1

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September 18, 2013

CF#13-1152-S1

Honorable Mike Bonin
Los Angeles City Councilman, District 11

Honorable Paul Koretz
Los Angeles City Councilman District 5
200 N. Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Support for Fracking, Acidizing, and Gravel Packing Motion

Dear Councilmen Bonin and Koretz:

I am writing on behalf of the Westchester-Playa Democratic Club to express our unwavering support for proposed changes to the City of Los Angeles's zoning code in order to enact a moratorium on oil and gas "well stimulation" activities, also known as fracking, acidization, gravel packing, and wasteful water disposal.

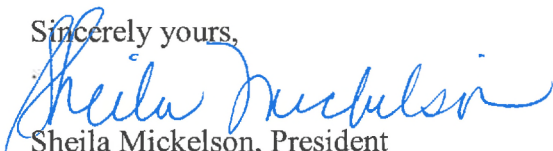
The potential negative impacts to our already precarious water quality, the population's general health, and regional economy from the side effects of hydraulic fracking, acidization, and gravel packing are clear. We also believe that the utilization of these "well stimulation" activities only increases our reliance on fossil fuels, thus increasing already dangerous levels of greenhouse gases in our atmosphere.

Furthermore, there is an increasing correlation between the introduction of hydraulic fracking and increased earthquake activity in other areas of the United States. Considering our region's already high propensity for seismic activity, we find your proposed moratorium a prudent and wise policy action until these uncertainties can be clarified.

We thank you for your careful and deliberate leadership in taking this policy action to protect the citizens of Los Angeles from the health threats, climate change impacts, and water supply hazards associated with fracking.

We look forward to working with you and your staff in achieving the moratorium.

Sincerely yours,


Sheila Mickelson, President
Westchester Democratic Club

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To: Councilmember Paul Koutz

To Whom it May Concern:

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council is writing to support passage of the Koutz/Bonin Fracking Motion calling for a moratorium on the practice of extracting oil and natural gas through the processes of hydraulic fracturing ("fracking"), acidizing and gravel packing.

Hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") is an oil and natural gas extraction process that involves the very highly pressurized injection of hydraulic fracturing fluids containing a mixture of water, sand and unreported amounts of unknown chemicals into underground geologic formations in order to fracture the rock, thereby increasing flows of oil or gas from a well. Extraction processes called "acidizing" and "gravel packing" involve similar techniques.

These practices threaten to contaminate drinking water supplies, cost taxpayers in Los Angeles hundreds of millions of dollars, release dangerous greenhouse gases into the atmosphere and can potentially cause earthquakes.

We agree that the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Planning and other relevant departments prepare an ordinance to prohibit all activity associated with these processes until the City Council is assured that they are safe and in compliance with all requirements stipulated in the Resolution.

Given the potential impact on the environment, water resources, and health of our citizens, we greatly appreciate your support of this resolution.

Yours truly,

Doug Fitzsimmons
President, South Robertson Neighborhoods Council

cc: Council members

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Council Pres. Herb Wesson

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