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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 14-0455-S10

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To: Clerk.CIS@lacity.org, bkidwell@midcitywest.org

A Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement (CIS) has been successfully submitted to your Commission or City Council. We provided information below about CISs and attached a copy of the CIS.

We encourage you to reach out to the Community Impact Statement Filer to acknowledge receipt and if this Community Impact Statement will be scheduled at a future meeting. Neighborhood Council board members are volunteers and it would be helpful if they received confirmation that you received their CIS.

The CIS process was enabled by the to Los Angeles Administrative Code §Section 22.819. It provides that, "a Neighborhood Council may take a formal position on a matter by way of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or written resolution." NCs representatives also testify before City Boards and Commissions on the item related to their CIS. If the Neighborhood Council chooses to do so, the Neighborhood Council representative must provide the Commission with a copy of the CIS or resolution sufficiently in advance for review, possible inclusion on the agenda, and posting on the Commission's website. Any information you can provide related to your agenda setting schedule is helpful to share with the NC.

If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *listed on the Commission's agenda*, during the time the matter is heard, the designated Neighborhood Council representative should be given an opportunity to present the Neighborhood Council's formal position. We encourage becoming familiar with the City Council's rules on the subject. At the Chair's discretion, the Neighborhood Council representative may be asked to have a seat at the table (or equivalent for a virtual meeting) typically reserved for City staff and may provide the Neighborhood Council representative more time than allotted to members of the general public. They are also permitted up to five (5) minutes of time to address the legislative body. If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *not listed on the agenda*, the designated Neighborhood Council representative may speak during General Public Comments.

We share this information to assist you with the docketing neighborhood council items before your board/commission. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at empowerla@lacity.org.

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Contact Information

Neighborhood Council: Mid City West

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(20) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 06/09/2026

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 07/18/2026

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 14-0455-S10

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: At a regularly scheduled, agendaized, and publicly noticed meeting on June 9, 2026, the Mid City West Neighborhood Council voted to submit this Community Impact Statement in strong support of Council File 14-0455-S10. We urge Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky, the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Community Enrichment Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, and the full City Council to swiftly approve the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) submission and acceptance of the 2025–2026 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) grant.



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June 9, 2026

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky

CC: Mayor Bass

City of Los Angeles

Room 303, City Hall

CC: Takisha Sardin – Board of Recreation & Park Commissioners

221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 350

Los Angeles, CA 90012

From: Mid City West Neighborhood Council

Council File: 14-0455-S10

Title: Department of Recreation and Parks / California Department of Education / 2025-26 Summer Food Service Program / Summer Lunch Program (Board Report 26-087)

Position: SUPPORT

Yeas: 20 Nays: 0 Abstains: 0

Official Position Statement

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Background and Community Importance

The Summer Food Service Program is a critical lifeline for families across Los Angeles. When Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) schools close for the summer, thousands of children lose access to regular, dependable, and nutritious meals. This program directly bridges that gap by providing free lunches to youth ages 1 to 18 between June 12, 2026, and July 31, 2026.

The \$856,000 grant from the California Department of Education (CDE), supplemented by \$94,000 from RAP's general fund, ensures that approximately 100 RAP park facilities can act as open, drop-in meal sites.

Why Mid City West Stands in Support

Our neighborhood council strongly supports this measure for several key reasons:

Barrier-Free Equity: The program requires no applications, registration, sign-ins, or proof of income. Any child can simply drop in and receive a nutritious, well-balanced meal meeting federal standards. This eliminates the stigma and bureaucratic hurdles that frequently keep vulnerable families from accessing food assistance.

Promotion of Public Safety and Youth Spaces: Providing nutritious food at local parks keeps children engaged in safe, supervised, and positive community environments during the



summer months. Activating our parks with vital programming enhances community care and local public safety.

Proven Institutional Collaboration: RAP has successfully managed this program since 1975. Partnering with LAUSD's Food Service Division to prepare the meals ensures top-tier nutritional standards and efficient local logistics.

Conclusion and Call to Action

No child in our city should experience food insecurity. Securing federal and state reimbursements to fund local youth nutrition is a common-sense measure that directly strengthens our community's resilience, public health, and social equity.

We thank Councilmember Yaroslavsky for her continued advocacy for families in Council District 5 and urge her to champion the immediate approval of this grant application so that RAP can finalize preparations for the upcoming summer season without delay.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mid City West Neighborhood Council

By: Shelby Blecker,
Chairman: Outreach & Community Engagement Committee