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NORTH HOLLYWOOD NORTHEAST

Neighborhood Council

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Position: *AGAINST*

Council File: *15-0989-S47*

***2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games / Venues, Facilities, Structures, Sites Exemptions /
Planning Approvals / Zoning Regulations / Conditions***

July 16, 2025

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Lack of Accountability and Definition

- This motion fails to define what qualifies as an “Olympic-related” development. By omitting clear criteria, it creates a loophole that invites speculative development under the guise of Olympic necessity. This mirrors historical patterns in host cities, where “Olympic legacy” projects were used to justify major rezonings that ultimately displaced low-income residents.

Contradiction of Original Olympic Promises

- The LA28 Olympics were marketed as a “**no-build**” **Games**, with former Mayor Eric Garcetti assuring the public that Los Angeles would not repeat the mistakes of previous host cities. According to the LA28 organizing committee, “no new permanent venues are needed.” Yet this motion directly contradicts that commitment by enabling new construction without review—raising serious concerns about public trust and accountability.

Displacement and Gentrification Risks

- Research shows that Olympic development often leads to gentrification and displacement. In London (2012), the Games contributed to the demolition of over **400 homes in the Clays Lane estate**, a working-class community. In Rio de Janeiro (2016), over **77,000 people were displaced** for Olympic infrastructure, according to Amnesty International.
- Los Angeles is already experiencing a severe housing crisis, with over **75,000 unhoused residents** as of the 2023 LAHSA count. Allowing exemptions from zoning and planning reviews could

fast-track developments that raise property values, increase rents, and force out vulnerable residents.

Misaligned Priorities

- Rather than directing public resources and policy focus toward lasting infrastructure like affordable housing, public transit upgrades, and resilient green space, this motion centers short-term, elite-driven development. It reflects a continued misalignment between City Council actions and community needs.
- In its current form, the motion appears to prioritize the interests of developers and international stakeholders over the daily realities of Angelenos. It also undermines the authority of community stakeholders, Neighborhood Councils, and local land use review processes by removing key oversight mechanisms.

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Thank you,
North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council

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Date of Board Vote: ___07/16/2025___

Board Vote Count: Aye_7___ Nay_0___ Abstain_2___ Recused_0___

Motion Status: Passed_X___ Failed___ Other_____