Name: **Brentwood Community Council**

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 09:19 AM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3

Comments for Public Posting: Brentwood Community Council supports Council File 16-1104-S3. See attached comment letter.



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June 20, 2025

VIA EMAIL

Traci Park, Councilmember 11th District

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Los Angeles City Council and its Committees

City Ethics Commission

Re: BCC Support for CF 16-1104-S3. City Council Rules / Council Rule 7 / Council Rule 63 / N-Word and C-Word Epithets / Amendments.

To Councilmember Traci Park, all City Councilmembers, and Ethics Commission members,

The Brentwood Community Council ("**BCC**") is the broadest-based Brentwood community organization, representing approximately 35,000 stakeholders of the 90049 community. BCC includes 13 homeowner and resident associations, multi-family residential dwellers, business organizations, schools, religious groups, volunteer service groups, public safety and environmental organizations.

Bel Air Knolls Property Owners Association * Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners Association * Brentwood Hills Homeowners Association * Brentwood Glen Association * Brentwood Homeowners Association * Brentwood Park Property Owners Association * Crestwood Hills Association* Mandeville Canyon Association * Mountaingate Open Space Management Association * Residential Neighbors of the Brentwood School * South Brentwood Residents' Association * Sullivan Canyon Property Owners Association * Upper Mandeville Canyon Property Owners' Association * Brentwood Village Chamber of Commerce * Civic * Educational Institutions – Independent and Public * Environmental * Land Use * Members-At-Large * Ministerial * Multi-Family Residential * Public Safety * San Vicente Business District * Transportation

Addressee June 20, 2025 page 2

On June 11, 2025, the Brentwood Community Council voted to support Council File 16-1104-S3 which restricts the use of certain epithets.

Very truly yours,

Carolyn LoBuglio

Chair, Brentwood Community Council

Name: Glesteree Blades

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 05:43 PM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3

June 17, 2025

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

I am a concerned citizen who is discouraged by the hateful language and disruptive conduct displayed by some members of the public during City Council Meetings. I've witnessed their defiance in the name of their cause. But all their behavior does is create a hostile and uncomfortable environment that deters participation and undermines the purpose of these meetings. Instead of dialogue and problem-solving, time is wasted on hate, chaos, disrespect, and division.

I urge Councilmembers to take action by setting and enforcing clear expectations for respectful dialogue and professional conduct. Our community deserves a public forum where everyone feels empowered to contribute, free from hostility and intimidation.

Sincerely.

Glesteree Blades LA City Resident 1256 W. Gage Ave

LA 90044

Name: Robert Ahn

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 05:51 PM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3



June 16, 2025

RE: Support for Civility & Respectful Conduct at City Council Meetings

Dear Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council,

On behalf of the Korean American Federation of Los Angeles (KAFLA), I write to express our support for the Council's efforts to uphold civility and respectful conduct during City Council meetings.

We are discouraged by the use of hateful language and disruptive conduct displayed by some members of the public during Council proceedings. Such actions not only undermine the integrity of these public forums but also create a hostile environment that may deter participation, particularly among marginalized and immigrant community members.

City Council meetings serve as vital spaces for civic engagement and collaborative problem-solving. These forums must remain accessible, safe, and respectful for all Angelenos. We respectfully urge the Council to take action by setting and enforcing clear standards for decorum during public comment, in a manner that balances First Amendment protections with the need for orderly and constructive dialogue. Our community deserves a public space where everyone feels empowered to contribute, free from hostility and intimidation.

Founded in 1962, KAFLA is dedicated to advocating for the rights and interests of Korean Americans and promoting greater understanding among Los Angeles' diverse communities.

Thank you for your continued leadership and service to the residents of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

Robert Ahn President

Name: Johng Ho Song

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 05:54 PM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3



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June 19, 2025

Los Angeles City Council 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Letter of Support Regarding Hate Language at Council Meetings

Dear Honorable City Council Members,

On behalf of Koreatown Youth and Community Center (KYCC), we are concerned and discouraged by hateful language and disruptive conduct displayed by some members of the public during Los Angeles City Council Meetings. Their behavior creates a hostile environment that deters participation and undermines the purpose of these forums. Instead of dialogue and problem-solving, time is wasted on hate, chaos, disrespect, and division.

KYCC's value statement is one word: Respect.

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We urge the Councilmembers to take action by setting and enforcing clear expectations for respectful dialogue and professional conduct. Our community deserves a public forum where everyone feels respected and empowered to contribute, free from hostility and intimidation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Joni Byun, Director of Communications and Development jbyun@kyccla.org or (213) 365-7400.

Sincerely,

Johng Ho Song Executive Director

Name: Karim Gowani

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 06:08 PM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3

Subject: LA City Council Motion to Bar Harmful Slurs During Public Comment

Dear Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council,

I wanted to let you know of my family's support for this motion after learning about recent use of insulting language used at the Council sessions.

We fully support the Council in removing people who use insulting or crude language at any time during a Council session. The public should address issues in a civil tone and make their comments in a polite and calm manner no matter how passionate they may be about a topic.

Council members act on behalf of the community and have been elected to hear the public's response to matters before the Council in a dignified environment, without subjecting themselves or others in the audience to inappropriate, obnoxious, and vulgar language. Such behavior should not be tolerated, and decorum needs to be maintained in a government building. Protests and free speech are protected but just as there are limits to such speech in a courtroom, another government facility, they should also apply to the City Council public hearings.

I hope the Council will endorse this resolution and allow such sessions to be a comfortable space for all in which to participate.

Karim Gowani

Karimgowani@gmail.com

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6/19/2025

Name: Alley Mills Bean

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 11:18 PM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3

Comments for Public Posting: Good afternoon Councilmembers, my name is Alley Mills Bean, and I'm the chair of the Homelessness Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council. I'm speaking to this motion, however, just as a citizen of Los Angeles and as a human being. I find it deeply disturbing that a motion like this, in the year 2025, even needs to come before the City Council of Los Angeles for consideration. The many times I've come to City Hall for City Council hearings, the chamber has been filled with many young people wanting to voice their passions on a given subject. For them to then be subjugated to this kind of vitriolic and hate filled language is not only sad, it's just plain unacceptable. They can't be left with the impression that the city of LA condones this kind of hate speech. Not to mention the harm that it's causing the people that it's targeted towards on the Council. I implore you to pass this motion to stop this kind of behavior in a public forum. This can't be the message we're passing on to our youth. This can't be the message that we're sending to the stakeholders of LA who've earnestly come to City Hall to voice their opinions or to the press or to anyone present that it's OK to treat our public officials this way. I urge you all please to support this motion.

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/20/2025 03:42 PM

Council File No: 16-1104-S3

Comments for Public Posting: As an organization dedicated to inspiring people to connect with and protect the natural world through community, education, and civic engagement, we are writing to express our strong support for the motion under Council File 16-1104-S3, which addresses the ongoing need to uphold respectful and inclusive standards of conduct during Los Angeles City Council meetings. Public meetings are a vital platform for civic participation, and our organization depends on the ability to attend and provide public comments on matters that directly affect our communities, our environment, and the wellbeing of Angelenos. Unfortunately, in recent months, we and our members have been exposed to increasingly inappropriate language and behavior in Council Chambers—behavior that has been vulgar, offensive, and harmful. Such conduct does not contribute to resolving the complex challenges we face as a city. Instead, it undermines the purpose of public forums, silences meaningful voices, and threatens the safety and dignity of those who wish to participate in good faith. Council Chambers should be a space where all participants—regardless of background—feel safe, heard, and respected. Respectful dialogue must be the standard, not the exception. We strongly urge the City Council to establish and enforce clear standards of decorum that prevent hate speech, discriminatory remarks, and other disruptive conduct from being normalized in public forums. Restoring a sense of order and civility is not only necessary for effective governance but essential for public trust and engagement. Thank you for your leadership and commitment to maintaining a democratic space that works for all Angelenos.



June 20th, 2025

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Sincerely, Evelyn, Audubon Center at Debs Park debspark@audubon.org