

## Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 17-0447

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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 enable 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 rResolution 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 Councils 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 <a href="mailto:empowerla@lacity.org">empowerla@lacity.org</a>.

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(11) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 08/06/2025

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information Date: 08/18/2025

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees, City Planning Commission, Health Commission, Board of Public Works

Commissioners

Council File Number: 17-0447 City Planning Number: Agenda Date: 08/06/2025

Item Number:

Summary: The North Westwood Neighborhood Council (NWWNC) urges the City Council to protect communities from the harmful health impacts of oil drilling. Los Angeles is one of the only places in the U.S. where oil drilling occurs in a densely populated city. Over 620,000 Angelenos live within a mile of an active oil well. The city contains over 1,000 active wells; 80 percent are located within 2,500 feet of a sensitive land use. Neighborhood drilling threatens the health and safety of

those living nearby. Extraction sites routinely use and emit toxic chemicals. Living next door to drilling can mean headaches, nosebleeds, asthma, reproductive harm, and cancer. The use of dangerous and flammable chemicals also raises the risk of catastrophic accidents. Homes are even built atop capped wells, a practice that should be prohibited. NWWNC recognizes that communities of color are often most affected: of the 1.8 million Californians living near drilling in heavily polluted areas, 92 percent are from communities of color. All told, neighborhood drilling is incompatible with public health and has no place near sensitive land uses, such as homes, schools, churches, daycares, senior centers, hospitals, and parks. The City of Los Angeles has a duty to protect residents' health and safety, by using its power over land use and oil operations. Therefore, NWWNC calls on the City Council to adopt the draft ordinance, end new oil drilling in Los Angeles, phase out existing drilling, and protect laws that do this from being overturned. Additionally, we want the city to enforce existing regulations on oil drilling to keep communities safe, including timely inspections.

CIS\_ Oil Drilling.pdf



## - COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT -

Council File: 17-0447

Title: Land Use Codes / Oil and Gas Development / Impact on Resident Health and

Safety / Code Change Proposals

Position: For

Council File: 17-0447-S2

Title: New Oil and Gas Drilling Activities / Extraction Prohibition / Nonconforming Use /

Environmental Clearance / Code Amendment / Ordinance

Position: For

Council File: 23-0002-S141

Title: SB 1137 Overturning / Modified Oil and Gas Wells Prohibition / Health and Safety

Position: For

Council File: 25-0600-S105

Title: 2025 Budget Recommendation / R61 / Board of Public Works / Potential Legal Impacts / Renegotiating Pipeline Franchise Agreements / Amortization of Oil Wells

Position: For

Council File: 25-0600-S32

Title: 2025 Budget Recommendation / Chief Legislative Analyst / Special Studies

Position: Neutral

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