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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 19-1020

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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 empowerla@lacity.org.

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(10) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 08/19/2024

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Impact Information

Date: 08/21/2024

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Summary: When housing investments for the unhoused fail, it is incongruously blamed on people who are in need of housing, not the people who approved, designed, or administered the housing. It is of the utmost importance in this emergency to treat the unhoused currently experiencing homelessness in the City of LA as experts of the systems that are supposed to address their housing and shelter needs. Those who are experiencing homelessness need a venue to provide feedback when programs fail to work as advertised, when resources and staff are misaligned, to provide an

understanding of how new ordinances impact people who are unhoused, or how sexism, homophobia, and institutional racism impact services. Please see attached pdf for our full statement

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Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness

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It is of the utmost importance in this emergency to treat the unhoused currently experiencing homelessness in the City of LA as experts of the systems that are supposed to address their housing and shelter needs. Those who are experiencing homelessness need a venue to provide feedback when programs fail to work as advertised, when resources and staff are misaligned, to provide an understanding of how new ordinances impact people who are unhoused, or how sexism, homophobia, and institutional racism impact services.

CF19-1020 doesn't directly demand accountability, but it creates an official forum of unhoused advisors in forming the Commission for Lived Experiences in Homelessness (CLEH), allowing them to offer feedback so they may be heard by those who are interested, including policy makers. It will be a start on the long overdue process of reversing displacement on our streets.

We wouldn't trust an LGBTQ+ committee that wasn't being legitimately advised by people who identify as gay, lesbian, trans, non-binary, gender-fluid, etc. We couldn't expect anything out of

a body convening on racial justice that wasn't being officially informed by Black, Indigenous and other POC's lived experiences. We'd never trust an accessibility task force that didn't include feedback from a wide range of people living with sensory, mobility, cognitive, and developmental disabilities.

On March 30, 2022 the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) provided the requested analysis and report ¹ to create the Commission, which was then referred and approved by the Homelessness and Poverty Committee on October 27, 2022. On November 22, 2022, the LA City Council adopted ² the Homeless and Poverty Committee Report relative to preparing an ordinance to establish the CLEH under the Civil, Human Rights and Equity Department(CHRED); and identifying the budgeting and staffing resources necessary for the establishment of a CLEH. Since that time, there has been no action on this Council File.

Unhoused people are the only people in Los Angeles who know exactly where to invest to best impact on homelessness, discuss real-life gaps in the current systems and policies and provide insights into the opportunities to improve the coordination of resources, care, and housing. However, we've never given them an opportunity to tell us, and if Council File 19-1020 expires on November 18, 2024 without any further action from the LA City Council, it is our fear that we never will.

The Board of the Reseda Neighborhood Council (RNC) supports Council File 19-1020 and we implore the LA City Council to take immediate action to keep this Council File alive and to truly invest in bringing the CLEH to life. It will be a start on the long overdue process of reversing displacement on our streets and making progress in our city reaching its very best potential.

This statement was passed in a Brown Act compliant meeting on August 19, 2024 with a vote of 10 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 0 recused.

¹ https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2019/19-1020_rpt_cla_03-20-22.pdf

² https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2019/19-1020_caf_11-22-22.pdf