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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 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 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 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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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(18) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(2) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 10/09/2024

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 10/29/2024

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Summary: Reauthorization of Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness (Council File 19-1020)¶¶ The City of Los Angeles must take immediate action to reauthorize and implement the Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness before its November 18, 2024 expiration. This commission, unanimously approved in 2019 but never staffed or implemented, was designed to provide direct policy input from individuals with firsthand homelessness experience. Eight Neighborhood Councils including Reseda, Mid City, North Hollywood Northeast and others have

expressed support in the past month, alongside endorsement from LAHSA (Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority), which maintains its own successful similar advisory board.¶¶ The commission's reauthorization aligns with Mayor Bass's and County Supervisors' emergency declaration on homelessness and follows established "lived experience" advisory models used successfully with other demographic groups. It provides essential firsthand perspective for policy development and implementation, requiring no new legislation - only reauthorization and staffing of existing approved commission.¶¶ Multiple Neighborhood Councils have filed Community Impact Statements supporting reauthorization, with Woodland Hills-Warner Center NC officially adopting a support position on October 9, 2024. LAHSA has provided a formal letter of support based on their own successful advisory model.¶¶ Immediate reauthorization and staffing would ensure continuation beyond the November 18, 2024 expiration, enable direct input from affected populations in policy decisions, implement the previously approved Council File 19-1020, and align with current emergency response to the homelessness crisis.¶¶ This commission represents a critical opportunity to incorporate firsthand experience into homeless policy development, ensuring more effective and informed decision-making in addressing Los Angeles's housing crisis. The groundwork has been laid; now action is required t

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Resolution/Community Impact Statement

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for

Dena Weiss, President

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Action Passed on 10/09/2024

Members Present: 21

Quorum:13

Members voting Aye: 18

Members voting Nay: 0

Members Abstaining: 1

Members Ineligible: 02

Members Recused: 0

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Council File 19-1020: It is long overdue that the City of LA reauthorize, create, fill and learn from a Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness

To our Los Angeles Councilmembers,

Council File 19-1020 was unanimously passed in 2019 to create a commission comprised of vetted individuals with the lived experience of homelessness. The commission would advise on policies on the housing crisis in Los Angeles specifically with our unhoused neighbors. The council file that was introduced by former President Mike Bonin and seconded by Councilmember Harris-Dawson has since been abandoned and now has a quickly approaching expiration date of November 18, 2024.

Conversations have arisen among Neighborhood Councils that the City must act to extend the authorization time for this commission, staff it, and then listen to the people who have actual lived experience with homelessness.

Within the last month, Reseda, Mid City, North Hollywood Northeast, Winnetka, North Westwood, Palms, Hollywood United, and Sherman Oaks NCs have all filed CI-Statements supporting the need for this commission. These filings are in addition to a previous letter of support from LAHSA, who has its own successful advisory board.

With Mayor Karen Bass and our county Board of Supervisors declaring the homeless crisis a state of emergency, it's blatant that we no longer have the time to not include those most impacted by the decisions we're making.

The term "lived experience" can be interchanged with any group of people. Parents of lived experience, LGBTQ+ people of lived experience, the live experience of African Americans, or the lived experience of women. As a society, we cannot continue to treat unhoused people as subhuman. We are all interconnected on this issue, and we all need to work together to see results and who better to ask than the people we are serving.

The work has already been done to pass the Council File. We encourage you to bring this commission into fruition immediately. It's time we listen to the people experiencing the problem firsthand to strategize and get the results we're looking for.

As this sorely needed commission approaches its sunshine date, with no action on the part of the City it's imperative the commission's life be extended so our homeless Angelenos can have a seat at the table We must put people first before politics.

Resolution/Community Impact Statement

On October 9, 2024, The Woodland Hills – Warner Center Neighborhood Council upon the recommendation of our Homeless & Social Justice Advocacy Committee adopts this position and asks you act with alacrity to effectuate this long-needed commission.