

Your Community Impact Statement has been successfully submitted to City Council and Committees.

If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at [NCsupport@lacity.org](mailto:NCsupport@lacity.org).

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(14) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(2) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 11/05/2020

Type of NC Board Action: For

#### Impact Information

Date: 12/11/2020

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 19-1577

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Historic Highland Neighborhood Council submits the attached CIS in favor of CF19-1577.

**Authorization to submit  
Community Impact Statements  
Board Resolution**

We, Estrella Sainburg (President Name) and Jeannie Park (Officer Name), declare that we are the President and 2nd Vice President, respectively of the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council (NC) and that on November 5, 2020 (date adopted), a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by this NC with a quorum of 16 (number) board members present and that by a vote of 14 (number) yes,        (number) no, and 2 (number) abstentions the Historic Highland Park NC adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, a Community Impact Statement is an official statement adopted by a Neighborhood Council on issues pending before the City Council, its committees, or City commissions, Whereas, up to five board members can be authorized through a board resolution to write and submit Community Impact Statements through the City Clerk's online web system at <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/cis>.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council authorizes the following board member(s) to SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which have been passed by a vote of the full board:

On the issue of CF# 19-1577, we are

- For
- For if Amended
- Against
- Against if Amended
- No Position (CF was discussed and acted upon, but the NC could not muster enough votes either way)
- Neutral Position (CF was discussed and NC decided to take no action at all)

Be it further resolved, in cases where an issue is moving quickly through the legislative process and a promptly issued statement is beneficial, the aforementioned board members are authorized to also WRITE and SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which express positions previously voted upon by the full board.

IN WITNESS of the above action, the undersigned has executed and delivered this certificate in the name and on behalf of the Historic Highland Park (NC name) and as of the date set forth below.

Signature of President

Signature of Board Officer

Print Name: Estrella Sainburg

Print Name: Jeannie Park

Date: 12/11/2020

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# Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

## Community Impact Statement

11 November 2020

RE: Support for Council File 19-1577

Attn: Council Member Kevin De Leon & Council Member Gil Cedillo

Dear Councilmembers De Leon & Cedillo,

We represent the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council Board and the approximately 65,000 stakeholders in the Highland Park community. Council File 20-0492 has recently come to the attention of the HHPNC and we'd like to voice our support. The council file proposes that the City take insurers' coal and tar sands investments into account when choosing vendors for new or renewed insurance.

HHPNC's Board wholeheartedly agrees that the City should not be supporting investments in fossil fuel companies, and residents shouldn't have to worry about the City's insurance vendors failing due to investments in, or issuing risky insurance to fossil fuels which is a declining industry.

For reference:

- Climate change is increasing risks of fire, coastal flooding, and hurricanes<sup>1</sup>
- Coal-fired power plants are no longer profitable and are closing rapidly<sup>2</sup>

- Some insurance companies have reduced their exposure to these risks<sup>3</sup>
- But California insurers still have half a trillion dollars in fossil fuel assets<sup>4</sup>
- San Francisco has voted to drop insurers who continue to invest in or insure coal and tar sands projects<sup>5</sup>, but LA has not done so yet

Respectfully,  
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

## Sources

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[e360.yale.edu/features/as-investors-and-insurers-back-away-the-economics-of-coal-turn-toxic](http://e360.yale.edu/features/as-investors-and-insurers-back-away-the-economics-of-coal-turn-toxic)

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Estrella Sainburg', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Estrella Sainburg

President,

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council