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 <a href="https://NCSupport@lacity.org">NCSupport@lacity.org</a>.

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: The LAPD budget currently stands at over 53% of the city budget accounting for \$1,857,330,549 (1.85 billion), while the Neighborhood Council Fund has been cut from \$4.22 million to \$3.22 million, a drastic cut of nearly 25% to an already minimal budget. This decrease in funding will no doubt act as a barrier, limiting neighborhood councils' ability to do the tangible work in the communities they serve, and will limit their ability to engage and assist their stakeholders. Neighborhood councils are the most comprehensive systems of self-governance in the country. We live in our communities and listen closely to our stakeholders in largely open-forum discussions, we promote further community-involvement and voter registration, and we address the issues in our communities before they become unmanageable. All stakeholders are encouraged to participate, regardless of race, gender, citizenship, social status, or other potential barriers. Funding neighborhood councils is funding social service programs, food pantries, youth literacy, sports, recreational programs, and enrichment programs where they're needed most. It's funding the healing of our neighborhoods through mental health services, violence intervention and prevention, and other specialized programs the councils know our communities need. It's funding local community park activities, public schools, and after-school programs through Neighborhood Purpose Grants and Community Improvement projects. Funding neighborhood councils is a step towards reducing crime, trauma, and unrest. Hermon Neighborhood Council