



Community Impact Statement - Submission Details

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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 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 resolution 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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Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(10) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(1) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 06/06/2023

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 06/07/2023

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 23-0002-S38

Agenda Date: 06/06/2023

Item Number:

Summary: The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council strongly supports the Resolution to support Assembly Constitutional Amendment 5 (Low, Wiener) which seeks to overturn Proposition 8 and protect same-sex marriage in California. It is time to ensure that same sex marriage continues to be legal in California by removing the ban from the State Constitution. As Assemblymember Evan Low stated when proposing the repeal, "Repealing Proposition 8 is the right thing to do to ensure that marriage equality is protected now and for future generations."

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**Letter in Support of Council File 23-0002-S38,
Assembly Constitutional Amendment 5 (Low, Weiner) / Overturn Proposition 8 /
Same-Sex Marriage Protection**

June 6, 2023

Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear City Councilmembers,

We declare that on June 6, 2023, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) at which a quorum was present. The following motion in support of Council File 23-0002-S38, Assembly Constitutional Amendment 5 (Low, Weiner) / Overturn Proposition 8 / Same-Sex Marriage Protection passed unanimously:

The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council strongly supports the Resolution to support Assembly Constitutional Amendment 5 (Low, Wiener) which seeks to overturn Proposition 8 and protect same-sex marriage in California.

Proposition 8 has been a scar on the California Constitution since its passage in 2008. In 2013 the US Supreme Court left in place a lower court ruling which found the amendment unconstitutional, thus paving the way for the legalization of same sex-marriage in California¹. In the landmark *Obergefell v. Hodges*, the Supreme Court determined the due process and equal protection clauses of the 14th Amendment guaranteed same-sex couples' fundamental right to marry². Since that time tens of thousands of same-sex couples in California have exercised their right to marry.

But the scar on the California Constitution remains, and the federal constitutional underpinnings supporting same-sex marriage has weakened. In the recent US Supreme Court decision overturning *Roe v. Wade* and abrogating the right to an abortion, Supreme Court justices signaled that other rights thought to have emanated from the 14th Amendment may be in jeopardy as well³. Should *Obergefell* be overturned, Proposition 8 could once again become the law of our State.

¹ *Hollingsworth v. Perry*, 570 U.S. 693 (2013)

² *Obergefell v. Hodges*, 576 US 644 (2015)

³ *Dobbs v. Jackson*, 142 S. Ct. 2228 (2022)

Californians overwhelmingly support same sex marriage as indicated by a recent poll which found that 75% of likely voters support it⁴. It is time to ensure that same sex marriage continues to be legal in California by removing the ban from the State Constitution. As Assemblymember Evan Low stated when proposing the repeal, "Repealing Proposition 8 is the right thing to do to ensure that marriage equality is protected now and for future generations."⁵

Please place this letter in the case file, and acknowledge its receipt via email to: **executive@ernc.la**. Thank you.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard M. Loew". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Richard M. Loew
President, Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council

cc: Office of Councilmember Kevin de León

⁴ "PPIC Statewide Survey: Californians and Their Government – February 2023 Full Crosstabs – Likely Voters Only" <https://www.ppic.org/wp-content/uploads/crosstabs-likely-voters-0223.pdf>

⁵ "California moves to dump Proposition 8 from constitution", Court House News Service, February 14, 2023, <https://www.courthousenews.com/california-moves-to-dump-proposition-8-from-constitution/>