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## Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 23-0600-S9

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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](mailto:empowerla@lacity.org).

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(13) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(1)

Date of NC Board Action: 09/18/2025

Type of NC Board Action: Against

### Impact Information

Date: 09/19/2025

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 23-0600-S9

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council opposes the proposed LADWP rate increases. While infrastructure investment is important, the timing of these increases comes during a period of economic instability, rising living costs, and a lack of transparency in how city funds are managed. The proposed hikes would impose an undue financial burden on residents already struggling with higher insurance premiums, sanitation fee increases, and overall cost-of-living pressures.

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## HISTORIC HIGHLAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

9/18/2025

**Community Impact Statement (CIS)**  
**Council File: 23-0600-S9**

**Position: Against**

**Statement:**

The Highland Park community is already facing steep increases in essential costs. State Farm insurance premiums for many local residents rose an average of 17% for homeowners, 15% for renters and condominiums, and 38% for rental dwellings as of June 1, according to CalMatters. The City Council also recently approved a 22% increase in the sanitation sewage fee—from \$75 to \$92—with further increases scheduled that will ultimately double prior rates (LAist). At the same time, the sanitation general fund subsidy ballooned from \$3.9 million in FY 2020–21 to nearly \$230 million in 2025, without clear explanations to taxpayers.

Layering a new set of LADWP rate hikes on top of these rising costs is neither fair nor sustainable. Our stakeholders are deeply concerned about affordability, particularly for low- and moderate-income households. The City must prioritize transparency, provide detailed justifications for proposed increases, and develop equitable solutions that protect residents from bearing the brunt of local budget mismanagement.

For these reasons, the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council stands in opposition to the LADWP rate hikes proposed in Council File 23-0600-S9.