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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 23-1027

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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(12) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 03/17/2026

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 03/18/2026

Update to a Previous Input: Yes

Directed To: Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, City Council and Committees, Charter Reform Commission

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Summary: GTLNC requests that the Los Angeles City Charter restore its budget and allocate a minimum \$50,000 annual budget for each Neighborhood Council citywide, and to index them for inflation moving forward. GTLNC reiterates its endorsement of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Recommendations for Charter Reform dated January 21st, 2026. GTLNC also requests that during Los Angeles City budget challenges, the percentage of any proposed Neighborhood Council budget reductions shall not be greater than that of the Office of the Mayor. When the Mayor's Office budget is restored after such budget challenge, the Neighborhood Councils' (NCs) budgets are similarly restored. See attached for details.



Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council Resolution



Tuesday, March 17th, 2026

Position: SUPPORT
Vote: 12 / 0 / 0

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This is detailed in the Charter Reform Commission Staff Report dated March 3rd, 2026, ("Detailed Reform Language For Personnel & Budget and Better Government Agendized Reforms / Personnel & Budget." Item #16).

GTLNC asks that with each budget cycle, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment's (DONE) annual budget should reflect the commensurate percentage change to that of Neighborhood Councils. DONE should advocate for NC budgets citywide, and not merely for its own department budget.

Adjusted for inflation, \$50,000 in 1999 dollars (the year of creation of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council System) should be \$98,074 in 2026 (source: U.S. Inflation Calculator). NC budgets should be restored immediately and be indexed for inflation going forward. It's obvious that the current annual budget allocation of \$25,000 is inadequate and GTLNC will work with other NCs to ensure that the NC system is correctly supported with realistic funding.

The Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council

by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tess Taylor", is written over a horizontal line.

Tess Taylor
President

Preliminary list of recipients, subject to confirmation and possible supplementation.
This list is for information purposes only and is not part of the subject resolution itself.

to: [Council File 23-1027](#) - Charter Reform / Commission Creation / Periodic Review / Organizational Infrastructure / Strategic Policies (Krekorian, Harris-Dawson, McOsker)
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cc: [Council File 23-1027-S8](#) - Charter Reform Commission / Recommendations / Strategic Policies Updates (McOsker, Soto-Martínez)

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