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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 23-1422

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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 to 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 rResolution 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 Councils 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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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(17) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 03/11/2024

Type of NC Board Action: Neutral Position

Impact Information

Date: 04/18/2024

Update to a Previous Input: No

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Summary: To: Los Angeles City Council and Committees CC: LAPD Harbor Division: Captain Mcguyre CD 15: Tim Mcosker City Controller's Office - Kenneth Mejia CF: 23-1422 Air Support Division - Los Angeles Police Department Audit The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council believes NO ACTION should be taken at this time on considerations of cutting the budget on the Air Support Division until aspects outlined by Police Chief Moore are reviewed, and the audit amended or revised where deemed appropriate. We support the Controller's office in asking that metrics be collected on performance. But we do not support a recommendation of budgetary cuts because there is no data on performance. The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council would like to see supplemental information from the City Controller's office,

in response to Police Chief Moore's comments from December 1, 2023. Three aspects which the NWSPNC is most keen to see: 1) The reasoning, analysis, and raw data for arriving at the reported conclusions on hourly costs (\$2,916 per hour) and other aspects as outlined by Chief Moore. 2) We are also interested in seeing a revised report which may provide a more in depth breakdown of Air Ship usage, which considers the Federally funded Emergency Operations aspects of ASD service in the analysis. 3) A request for data driven analysis of "ceremonial flights" be considered. Here in San Pedro, during Fleet Week, the ASD patrols the area. The Port of Los Angeles is a sensitive site. Cargo, oil refining, and during Fleet Week, the military are in town. Would air patrol funding be cut? ASD support may be important security. We also would ask the City Controller to consider a more collaborative approach with staff members in the Air Support Division in a second pass. We believe the auditing process potentially would benefit from increased collaboration and cooperation.

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March 11, 2024

To: Los Angeles City Council and Committees
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City Controller's Office - Kenneth Mejia

CF: 23-1422 Air Support Division – Los Angeles Police Department Audit

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We also ask, that in the future, the Controller's office take a more measured approach when making boldly stated comparisons. For example: when discussion the amount of Carbon Dioxide output of ASD helicopters, the Controller uses the comparison of 19 million miles driven by gas-powered passenger cars in the City of Los Angeles.

That might seem like a lot, but according to the FHA (US Dep of Transportation Federal Highway Administration), the average vehicle in California drives 12,524 miles a year. 19 million miles is equivalent to the annual commute of 1,517 average passenger vehicles. This is in a county where there are 6,291,868 registered passenger automobiles, and 1,136,152 registered trucks, and, according to the FWA the vast array of highway interchanges within the city of Los Angeles receive 300,000 to 500,000 trips, daily.

Beyond the items in Chief Moore's letter, there are several additional aspects regarding the usage of Helicopter Support which we would hope the City Controller's office would also consider when conducting an analysis of the impacts of helicopter service:

1) The LAPD currently has a deficit of officers. Please consider a recommendation data collection to clarify if continuous flight by a helicopter has any impact on response times, as well as quantify if air support might alleviate the lack of patrol officers on the street.

Our LAPD division, in whole, is understaffed. Response times are impacted beginning with answering and redirecting 911 calls. When helicopter assistance is requested, tactical flight officers and command pilots might actually make up some of that difference in cases where a suspect is on the run in densely populated areas of homes, or a vehicle pursuit. The Airship Support Division may very well have a positive effect on major outcomes in many cases. In a vehicle pursuit, collected data may prove ASD support can potentially lead to fewer collisions.

2) When considering the safety of the public, also consider LAPD officers are at great risk of injury and death during vehicle stops and pursuits and are continually at risk of harm. They would be interested in any data which bears out the effectiveness of helicopter assistance on safety.

The DOJ did run an analysis in 1998 if helicopters improve productivity. <https://www.ojp.gov/pdffiles/171695.pdf>
The Controller's office might collaborate on how to collect data on helicopter pursuits and the number of injuries / accidents, compared to vehicle pursuits without helicopter assistance.

3) We recommend that the Public Safety Committee, LAPD, and the Controller's office work together on recommendations that address a Flight Log system upgrade to help with accurate data regarding flights.

4) The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council additionally believes that there needs to be more education to the public on how important the Air Support Division is to assisting LAPD and to Public Safety.

Yours in community collaboration,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. Regalado". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ray Regalado, President
On Behalf of the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council

