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## Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 24-0867 - City Planning Number: N/A - Agenda Item Number: 12

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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 enable 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 <a href="mailto:empowerla@lacity.org">empowerla@lacity.org</a>.

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

Date of NC Board Action: 08/20/2024 Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information Date: 08/22/2024

Update to a Previous Input: No

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

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Summary: The Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council opposes Council File 24-0867 (Rodriguez) Neighborhood Council Bylaws / Youth Participation / Diversity Increase / Leadership Growth which interferes with neighborhood council bylaws, seeks increased control over neighborhood councils, and is an unwarranted intrusion. This motion contradicts the purpose of the Neighborhood Council System, and undermines the reason it was created in the first place. Council File

24-0867 promotes the appearance of inclusiveness and equal access (which neighborhood councils fully already are), and cloaks its author's true aim which is to gut neighborhood councils of seasoned board members with their experience and institutional knowledge sufficient to challenge her. The Los Angeles City Charter (Article IX, Sec. 906) guarantees Neighborhood Councils' ability to determine their own leaders. Also, Article III, Section 2(b)(ii) of the Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils (the Plan), states: "Terms of members of the Governing Body shall be for two or four years, to be decided upon by individual Neighborhood Councils. Neighborhood Councils may limit the total number of terms that a member of the Governing Body may serve, if the term limitations are set forth in the Neighborhood Council's bylaws after the date this provision was amended." This provision establishes that individual Neighborhood Councils have the authority to determine their own term lengths, and implementation of term limits is at the discretion of each Neighborhood Council, to be set forth in their respective bylaws. The current motion contradicts this established legal framework, which emphasizes local control and flexibility. Any attempt to impose universal term limits on the entire Neighborhood Council system should be rejected.

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