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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 24-1600

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To: Clerk.CIS@lacity.org, LAFDFireCommission@lacity.org

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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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(14) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(1) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 03/11/2025

Type of NC Board Action: For if Amended

Impact Information

Date: 03/14/2025

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees, Fire Commission

Council File Number: 24-1600

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Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: At our regular public meeting on March 11, 2025, the Board of Directors of the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council ("DLANC") voted to submit a Community Impact Statement in support if amended of CF 24-1600: Los Angeles Fire Department / Service Impact on Operations. Please see our attached letter for additional information regarding our position.

Ref:MSG12040451



CF 24-1600_ Los Angeles Fire Department _ Service Impact on Operations.pdf

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RE: Community Impact Statement on CF 24-1600: Los Angeles Fire Department / Service Impact on Operations

To Whom It May Concern:

At a regular public meeting on March 11, 2025, the Board of Directors of the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (“DLANC”) voted to provide the following comments below:

The Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council submits this Community Impact Statement **in support if amended of CF 24-1600: Los Angeles Fire Department / Service Impact on Operations.**

The analysis in the Board of Fire Commissioners report illustrates the inefficiencies and the significant service disruptions the Los Angeles Fire Department will face with the reduction of Overtime Variable Staffing Hours (V-Hours) funds for specialized units.

In particular, the loss of civilian and sworn positions that support specialized services within the Fire Department will significantly impact public safety and threaten the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Los Angeles. The added impacts and longer turn-around time to process workers' compensation and family leave claims as well as providing services for construction plan-check review will further exacerbate employee retention issues within the Department and development projects. These reductions will impact programs that provide life-saving services such as Air Operations, Fire Prevention Bureau, EMS Bureau and Hazmat. Without critical funding these programs will not be able to protect life and property, nor do the necessary prevention/enforcement work to prevent emergencies from happening.

Additionally, impacts will be felt by the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), a program which began here in LA and is now taught nationwide. CERT training not only aids the city in preparing its community for major disasters but also, once certified, CERT members assist in providing critical support services for non-emergency calls during significant emergencies as well as citywide events, saving the city thousands of dollars. The loss of or disruptions to V-Hours for firefighters in the CERT Unit may put the City and its residents in a

worse posture for disaster preparedness and reduce our community's ability to provide life-saving operation assistance during a major city-wide disaster.

As such, we urge the Mayor, Council, and Commission to strongly consider whether such reductions to staffing and/or overtime will put lives in danger or worsen the City's already taxed ability to handle and respond to emergencies.

Sincerely,



Claudia Oliveira
President,
DLANC



Debby Zhou,
Chair,
DLANC Livability Committee

Cc: Public Safety Committee, City Council (via email)
Board of Fire Commissioners (via email)
Mayor's Office of Public Safety (via email)
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