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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 25-0002-S113

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Fri, Jul 17, 2026 at 5:33 PM

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

Neighborhood Council: Mid City West

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(20) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 06/09/2026

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 07/18/2026

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 25-0002-S113

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Mid City West Neighborhood Council, representing over 60,000 stakeholders in the heart of Los Angeles, voted to formally SUPPORT Council File 25-0002-S113 at an agendaized, legally noticed public meeting on June 9, 2026. Illegal street takeovers and sideshows have escalated from localized nuisances into a systemic threat to public safety, commercial vitality, and the general well-being of our neighborhoods. This community impact statement urges Councilmember Yaroslavsky and the full City Council to aggressively pursue the legislative advocacy outlined in this motion to grant local law enforcement more robust tools to deter these dangerous disruptions.



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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky (CD 5)

CC: Los Angeles City Council

FROM: Mid City West Neighborhood Council

DATE: Jun 9, 2026

RE: Council File 25-0002-S113 (Sideshow Enforcement and Penalties / State Legislative Support)

POSITION: SUPPORT

Yeas: 20 Nays: 0 Abstains: 0

Executive Summary:

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Impact on the Mid City West Community:

While often viewed as an issue affecting only wide industrial intersections, sideshows have increasingly migrated into high-density commercial and residential corridors within Mid City West. The impacts on our stakeholders are severe and multifaceted:

Threats to Public Safety: These unpermitted, reckless events put pedestrians, cyclists, and law-abiding motorists at immediate risk of severe injury or death. Emergency response vehicles face critical delays when intersections are deliberately gridlocked.

Economic Harm to Local Business: Mid City West is home to thriving commercial zones, independent legacy businesses, and vibrant dining districts. Street takeovers effectively shut down commerce, trap patrons inside establishments, deter future foot traffic, and cause property damage to storefronts and public infrastructure.

Strain on Law Enforcement Resources: Responding to coordinated, large-scale sideshows pulls critical LAPD resources away from proactive community policing and urgent public safety calls within our district.

Why CF 25-0002-S113 is Necessary:

Current municipal penalties are insufficient to act as a true deterrent against highly organized sideshow networks. Mid City West strongly supports the specific directives of this Council File, which seeks to include in the City's 2025–2026 State Legislative Program support for any administrative or legislative action that would:



Enhance Penalties: Support state legislation establishing stricter criminal penalties for organizing, participating in, or spectating at illegal street takeovers.

Expand Vehicle Seizure Authority: Allow for longer, more permanent vehicle impoundment periods for repeat offenders, targeting the primary tool used to commit these acts.

Modernize Enforcement Tools: Enable the use of advanced technology and joint-jurisdictional task forces to disrupt events before they materialize.

Conclusion & Call to Action:

A vibrant neighborhood requires safe streets and a stable environment where local businesses can thrive and residents can move without fear. Relying solely on reactive policing is no longer enough; we need the legislative teeth to stop these events at the source.

The Mid City West Neighborhood Council proudly stands with Councilmember Yaroslavsky in prioritizing public safety and commercial health, and we urge the swift adoption of Council File 25-0002-S113.

Thank you for your continued leadership and attention to the safety of our community.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors

Mid City West Neighborhood Council