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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 25-0002-S19

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Sat, Jul 26, 2025 at 3:13 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 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 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: Bel Air-Beverly Crest

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(22) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 07/23/2025

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 07/26/2025

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 25-0002-S19

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council (BABNC) urges the City Council to take immediate action on Council File 25-0002-S19 and formally oppose SB 79 (Wiener). We also believe that the state legislation certainly should not pass unless it is amended to include critical public safety and infrastructure protections. This motion has been pending in the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee for over four months, despite widespread community interest and numerous Community Impact Statements filed across the city. At our public meeting held on July 23, 2025, the BABNC voted to support the Council motion opposing SB 79. While we fully support the need for additional housing across California, this bill does not strike the right balance. It removes thoughtful, local decision-making

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Building a Better Community

July 24, 2025

Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council File 25-0002-S19 – SB 79 (Weiner) / State Zoning Standards / Train Stations / Major Bus Stops / 7-Story Multifamily Housing / Municipality Exemption / Housing Element

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Commercial or Office Enterprise Districts
Custodians of Open Space
Faith-Based Institutions
Public Schools
Private Schools K–6 and 7–12

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Thank you for your consideration, and for your ongoing leadership on issues of public safety, housing, and good governance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Longcore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Travis Longcore, Ph.D.
President