

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to establishing the City's position on any legislative and/or administrative action that would increase the annual cap for U nonimmigrant status visas (U Visa) in the United States.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Rodriguez – Soto-Martinez, Jurado), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

RESOLVE to include in the City's 2025-26 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for any legislative and/or administrative action that would increase the annual cap for U Visas in the United States.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On September 12, 2025, your Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a CLA report dated September 11, 2025 and an August 8, 2025 Resolution (Rodriguez – Soto-Martinez, Jurado) relative to establishing the City's position on any legislative and/or administrative action that would increase the annual cap for U Visas in the United States. According to the Resolution, the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 provided an annual cap of 10,000 U Visas nationwide, which has remained unchanged since U Visas were first issued in 2009. A July 2025 Board of Police Commissioners report, the Los Angeles Police Department, which processes U-Visa requests for victims of crimes that have occurred within the city, certified 2,108 U-Visa requests in 2023 and 2,426 requests in 2024, and expects to receive up to 3,000 requests in 2025. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Resolution. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>VOTE</b>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ:	YES
LEE:	YES

RM  
09/12/25

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