

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing in support of a designated funding district for the Pacific Palisades. As a 24 year Palisades resident who lost her home in the January 2025 fire I feel strongly that this designation will help my community recover faster. Local monies for local projects will allow the Palisades to get back on its feet more quickly, making it a fully integrated, fully participating Los Angeles neighborhood once again. Help bring us and our tax base back home. I urge you to say yes. Thank you.

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Name: Robert Lempert
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Comments for Public Posting: As a resident of Pacific Palisades who lost our family home of 31 years in the Jan 2025 fire, I strongly encourage the city council to establish a disaster recovery district (DRD) for Pacific Palisades. The DRD's tax increment financing mechanism is by far the most efficient means for the city to invest funds in the Palisades' recovery for at least two reasons. First, DRD's governing board and its mandate to develop an integrated investment plan will help coordinate across the city government's departmental silos. Such coordination will make it more likely that the city's funds will be spent wisely and most effectively towards ensuring that the Palisades will never burn again. Second, the DRD's guaranteed, multi-decadal income stream would allow it to issue bonds and thus make funds available in the near-term when such funds have the most leverage in helping all Palisades residents who wish to return to be able to do so. As made clear by the DRD feasibility report a Palisades DRD would be financially beneficial to both the Palisades and the City as a whole. A DRD would help speed the Palisades' recovery and could invest in the fire resilience that would lower future insurance costs and significantly decrease economic losses from future fires. A faster, more resilient Palisades recovery will also return revenues to the City's general fund faster than would a slowly recovering, less resilient Palisades. So, the DRD is a win-win for both the Palisades and the City. What do Palisadians want? One authoritative source is the results of the Community Recovery Lab held last April by the Palisades Recovery Coalition. Thirty Palisadians, randomly chosen to be representative of the community, convened with experts in a civic assembly. The residents deliberated for two days on the questions: If the Palisades were to have a disaster recovery district, what should it fund? And how could such a district remain accountable to community? You can find the consensus recommendations here: <https://palirecovery.org/crl-1-governance-report-recommendations/>. In brief, the assembly recommended that a Palisades DRD be able to fund public infrastructure, provide rebuilding help for returning residents, support economic recovery for local businesses, and fund wildfire and climate resilience. To hold the DRD accountable, the assembly recommended that one member of the DRD board be appointed by the Pacific Palisades Community Council and that a twelve-member advisory board, appointed by

the community, work with the DRD board and its staff to develop and revise as needed the DRD investment plan. I encourage you to take these recommendations into account when chartering the Palisades DRD.

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Comments for Public Posting: Pacific Palisades should be designated as a Disaster Recovery District. Residents of the Palisades should be able to use their own tax dollars to support all recovery efforts taking place within Pacific Palisades. Thank you