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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 25-0600-S53

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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 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(6) Nay(0) Abstain(2) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: Two years ago, Palms Neighborhood Council President Kay Hartman was presenting to the City Council Budget and Finance Committee with the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates when Councilmember Blumenfield challenged her to provide a revenue generating idea. Kay's response was to have the Department of Building and Safety actually collect on the fines it levies and to create a sliding scale of fines for habitual violators of the building codes including a top level after which the developer was prohibited from operating in Los Angeles. Now, here is that suggestion in this motion. The Palms Neighborhood Council supports this idea. The fines levied on large-scale developers are small

enough that they are considered the cost of doing business. While most developers follow the law, there is a small handful of developers, including one in Palms, for whom the building codes are a minor inconvenience to be ignored at a glance. Habitual violators of the building codes negatively impact the neighborhoods in which they operate and we need to bring them into compliance or have them leave. A sliding scale of fines, if the escalation is large enough, may push some of these rogue developers into compliance with the law. If it does not, having a cap that, if exceeded, prohibits that developer from operating in Los Angeles will provide a remedy for the neighborhoods in which these developers operate. The Palms Neighborhood Council does not support the scale be based on violations within a year. Rogue developers could find a way to game that system. While this motion does not include the ultimate penalty, the inability to operate in Los Angeles, the City Council should consider including it.