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Re: Submission of community impact statements to the Council File Management System

3 messages

Philip Armstrong <philip.armstrongrvnc@gmail.com>
To: clerk CIS <clerk.cis@lacity.org>

Mon, Jul 27, 2026 at 7:25 AM

Dear Mr. Reeves:

Thank you for your assistance with submitting the attached community impact statement.

Contact Information

Neighborhood Council: Rampart Village

Name: Philip Armstrong

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 07/21/2026

Type of NC Board Action: For Council File Number: 26-0600-S11; oppose unless amended Council File 14-0499-S6

Impact Information

Date: 07/27/2026

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 26-0600-S11

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: At our regular public meeting on July 21, 2026, the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council Board of Directors voted to send the following Community Impact Statement in support, of Council File 26-0600-S11: Budget Motion / City Administrative Officer / Bureau of Street Services / Department of Transportation / Bureau of Street Lighting / Bureau of Engineering / Position Authorities / Active Transportation Program Cycle 6 Projects, accompanied with the letter attached. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

We are still interested in being able to submit our own community impact statements and would appreciate any assistance you could provide in helping us to do that.

Sincerely,

Philip Armstrong, Chair

Public Safety, Housing & Transportation Committee

Rampart Village Neighborhood Council

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On Mon, Jul 27, 2026 at 7:02 AM clerk CIS <clerk.cis@lacity.org> wrote:

Hello,

Yes you can send it here. That information is correct.

On Fri, Jul 24, 2026 at 2:42 PM Philip Armstrong <philip.armstrongrvnc@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Sir:

Please confirm what Octavia in your office told me. She said I could send my community impact statement to this email address and you could submit it for me.

I was asking her if there is an online portal to which I could submit it.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
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 **Community Impact Statement for CF 26-0600-S11.pdf**
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clerk CIS <clerk.cis@lacity.org>
To: Philip Armstrong <philip.armstrongrvnc@gmail.com>

Mon, Jul 27, 2026 at 9:18 AM

Good morning,

Of course. The email has to be addressed to cityoflaprod@service-now.com and attached the document you also want to upload.

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Philip Armstrong <philip.armstrongrvnc@gmail.com>
To: clerk CIS <clerk.cis@lacity.org>

Wed, Jul 29, 2026 at 10:15 AM

Dear Mr. Reeves:

I appreciate your assistance with submitting our July 21, 2026 RVNC community impact statement for Council File 26-0600-S11 and I'd appreciate an update. Normally, when we submit community impact statements on our own to the electronic portal, we get a prompt acknowledgement from LA City SNow <cityoflaprod@service-now.com>.

It's been two days since we submitted the community impact statement to you, it has not appeared in the Council File, and we have not received any acknowledgement of receipt or submittal.

To clarify, when I said we are still interested in being able to submit our own community impact statements, I meant we have an electronic portal (which we don't currently have access to) and would appreciate being able to access it and submit our own community impact statements as described in the following linked protocol: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aEnn79A_W0a8Alq_7J0UFoh8ob6qbl9SfwcV1pisoO8/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.kfgp2fof98d9

I didn't understand what you meant in your most recent email, which read: "The email has to be addressed to cityoflaprod@service-now.com and attached the document you also want to upload."

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,
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**Community Impact Statement for Council File 26-0600-S11
Budget Motion / City Administrative Officer / Bureau of Street Services / Department
of Transportation / Bureau of Street Lighting / Bureau of Engineering / Position
Authorities / Active Transportation Program Cycle 6 Projects**

July 21, 2026

Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council,

Along with the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (DLANC), the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council (RVNC) supports Council File 26-0600-S11 and opposes, unless amended, Council File [14-0499-S6](#), Active Transportation Program (ATP) / Cycle 6 Call for Projects / State of California Department of Transportation / Grant Applications relative to cancellation of the following three projects: Wilmington Safe Streets: A People First Approach Project (Council District 15); Skid Row Connectivity and Safety Project (Council District 14); and Boyle Heights Community Connectivity Project (Council District 14).

We wish to echo the support of the May 22, 2026 LA Downtown Industrial District Business Improvement District [Letter](#) to the Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee for the ATP Cycle 6 Skid Row Connectivity and Safety Project. In particular, the RVNC concurs that: "The Skid Row Connectivity and Safety Project serves a disadvantaged community that is unique in Los Angeles, in that it is home to both a disadvantaged and housed resident community, as well as a significant unhoused community."

We support the June 9, 2026 DLANC [Community Impact Statement](#): "Administered by the California Transportation Commission (CTC), the ATP supports projects that save lives, improve mobility and accessibility, advance transportation equity, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and strengthen economic opportunity throughout Los Angeles. These investments are especially critical in historically underserved communities that have faced decades of underinvestment in safe and reliable infrastructure." In addition, we support linking investments to outcomes: "Delayed projects leave known safety hazards unaddressed, postpone critical infrastructure improvements, and increase fiscal, liability, and public safety risks." In a time when the City is hampered by "staffing, funding, and implementation constraints across multiple City departments and Public Works bureaus, including the Bureau of Street Services, Bureau of Street Lighting, Bureau of Engineering, and the LADOT,"¹ we agree with DLANC that the City should prioritize projects that address known safety hazards, improve critical infrastructure, and reduce fiscal, liability, and public safety risks.

Referring to the three projects addressed by the February 13, 2026 [Motion](#) in Council File 14-0499-S6, Michael Schneider told the Los Angeles Bicycle Advisory Committee, Planning and Bikeways Engineering Subcommittee, on March 17, 2026, that the community was successful in getting the Council Districts to ask CTC for a 2-year extension for those ATP Cycle 6 grants, which total approximately \$103 million. He said he thinks there are several hundred million dollars in awarded ATP projects that are at risk right now because the City doesn't have the staff to deliver them. In addition, he said his understanding is that the City Administrative Officer is preventing the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) and StreetsLA from using the grant funds to hire staff to manage the implementation of those projects.²

Among those other awarded ATP Cycle 6 projects, we wish to emphasize the \$32 million (CTC funds) Safe Routes To School Center City Schools Neighborhood Safety & Climate Resilience Project, which extends across portions of CD 1, CD 10, and CD 13. In our May 19, 2026 [Community Impact Statement](#) for Council File [22-1566](#), we cited Margot Ocanas' September 26, 2023 presentation³ in which she said this project would:

- Create Safe Routes for 21 schools (majority public and charter), including 5 of the City's Top 50 Schools with Most Need, within a 1.5 square mile area in the heart of the City.
- Enhance travel to/from school for nearly 16,000 students attending school within the project area, nearly 50 percent are middle/high school students, who generally are independent users.
- Implement the Neighborhood Enhanced Networks (NEN) corridors of the City's Mobility Plan 2035.
- Provide a comprehensive, connected (gap-free) network for disadvantaged community members to access a density of light rail/bus lines, libraries, civic entities, essential retail, youth/senior centers, entertainment venues, and local businesses.
- Manifest safer, cooler, and greener Complete Streets to encourage and increase walking, cycling and scootering to address urgent safety, climate and health mandates.

According to the [Project Fact Sheet](#), the Design Phase runs from August 2025 to October 2026 (and is only 2% complete) and the Construction Phase runs from August 2027 to August 2030. However, on July 10, 2026, CD 13 informed us that the updated plan is to complete the design by March 2028 and begin construction by January 2029.

Therefore, the RVNC supports Council File 26-0600-S11 and opposes, unless amended, Council File 14-0499-S6 because we agree with DLANC that the City should prioritize projects that address known safety hazards, improve critical infrastructure, and reduce fiscal, liability, and public safety risks. Likewise, we agree that these investments are especially critical in historically underserved communities that have faced decades of underinvestment in safe and reliable infrastructure.

In service,
Rampart Village Neighborhood Council

PRESENTED BY: Shafi Ahmed
SECONDED BY: Lara Morrison
YES: 9 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1 INELIGIBLE: 0
ON THIS DATE: July 21, 2026

CC: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer, Office of the City Administrative Officer
Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager, Los Angeles Department of Transportation
Diana Vicente, Field Deputy, CD 1
Alan Antonio, Deputy, CD 10
Emma Howard, Community Development & Planning Director, CD 13
Jens Midthun, President and Area Wide Director, Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Estela Lopez, Executive Director, Downtown Industrial District Business Improvement District
Rob Kadota, Chair, Los Angeles Bicycle Advisory Committee

¹ Jurado, Y., & McOsker, T. (2023). Motion. In *City Council*. https://cityclerk.lacity.org/online/docs/2014/14-0499-S6_misc_02-13-26.pdf

² Minutes of Bicycle Advisory Committee of the City of Los Angeles Planning and Bikeways Engineering Subcommittee meeting - Tuesday, March 17, 2026. City of Los Angeles Bicycle Advisory Committee. (2026, April 1). [Subcom-minutes-3-17-26 V2.pdf](#) (Please refer to the second bullet in Item 10.)

³ Ocanas, M. (2023, September 26). Presentation: Central City SRTS Safety & Climate Resilient Neighborhood Network Project. Los Angeles Department of Transportation. (Please refer to slide 5 in the following link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZDLila5ErA90YgElvQdMLV_-uOQg-Lcl/view)