

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 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(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 08/19/2026

Type of NC Board Action: Against Unless Amended

Impact Information

Date: 08/27/2026

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 26-0906-S4

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: (see attached)



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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 26-0906-S4

1 message

LA City SNow <cityoflaprod@service-now.com>

Wed, Aug 26, 2026 at 6:03 PM

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NORTH HOLLYWOOD NORTHEAST

Neighborhood Council

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Position: *AGAINST, UNLESS AMENDED*

Council File: [26-0906-S4](#)

***Boyle Heights / East Los Angeles / Cold Storage Warehouse / Fire /
1400 South Los Palos Street / Los Angeles Fire Department /
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program***

August 19, 2026

The North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council is against this motion, Council File [26-0906-S4](#) unless it is amended. We are concerned that the motion is requiring training of Neighborhood Council members far outside their responsibilities per the City Charter or what is feasible to request of volunteers.

The amendment we strongly recommend in order for us to consider supporting this motion is that all references to having CERT training be a requirement of Neighborhood Councils be removed. Instead focus on how Neighborhood Council Board Members can be encouraged, along with all Angelenos, to take the CERT training for their own benefit and as an example to their communities.

We recommend the following for further amendments to consider:

- Add in a request for an updated report from the LAFD CERT program on how the city can better support it. But please note that there is already a Board of Fire Commissioners report, dated December 17, 2024, in Council File 24-1600, that is related to operational challenges that included a funding request to support CERT, which relies heavily on v-hours. (https://cityclerk.lacity.org/online/docs/2024/24-1600_rpt_bfc_12-17-24.pdf)
- Add in a request for the Emergency Management Department report back on the following:
 - How EMD can build a relationship with the LAFD CERT program
 - How EMD can support awareness of CERT and increase access to CERT training. Including including CERT on their website <https://emergency.lacity.gov/>
 - How EMD can build a relationship with DONE to encourage awareness of Ready Your LA (RYLAN) <https://ready.lacity.gov/>
 - Funding needed to translate the City of Los Angeles Emergency Preparedness Guide.
 - Funding needed to provide printed copies of the City of Los Angeles Emergency Preparedness Guide to every Neighborhood Council Board Member. Distributed through the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment's NEAs.
- Look at how to provide specific support for the CERT program to include the following:

- Funding for Overtime Variable Staffing Hours (V-Hours) for the LAFD Firefighters that are instructors in the CERT program
- Funding for the purchase of more of the standard green response backpack filled with basic disaster-response gear, including a hard hat, safety vest, work gloves, goggles, a flashlight, basic first-aid supplies, and operational field manuals.
- Funding for the purchase of printed LAFD Emergency Preparedness Guide and having it translated into the most common languages of Los Angeles City.
- Request that Los Angeles Recreation & Parks (RAP) waive any fees related to the use of their facilities as hosting locations for CERT training and related meetings.

We applaud the statements that highlight the “*importance of neighborhood-level preparedness*”, that Neighborhood Councils “*are often a trusted source of information for residents during emergencies*”, and acknowledging the CERT program, which has been a free resource to Angelenos for decades. We recommend that any Councilmember that has not completed CERT do so, so that they can be an example to all Angelenos and especially to those in their Council Districts.

Thank you,
North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council



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Date of Board Vote: 8/19/2026

Board Vote Count: Aye_6__ Nay_0__ Abstain_1__ Recused_0__

Motion Status: Passed_X__ Failed____ Other_____