

SUBJECT: In Support of Council File #12-1681 (NC Policy for Subdivision)

EDUCATION & NEIGHBORHOODS

(and) L.A. City Council

c/o City Clerk

Honorable Council Members,

I support passage of the proposed "subdivision policy" for L.A. City Neighborhood Councils as unanimously approved by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners in October 2013, now moving through City Council and committees (Council File #12-1681). I am also urging my councilmember to vote its approval when it reaches the full council.

The City's Plan for neighborhood councils was always supposed to allow for this, to have the flexibility for communities to find the best way to work together. Much has changed since the beginning of our NC system and some, in retrospect were configured too large, or may be too mired in the contention of representing multiple neighborhoods, to fill that role. The City's Plan and Charter were always supposed to allow NCs to adjust the makeup of their boundaries to make them more "effective and efficient," but the policy that would direct this wasn't completed until this past year. That "subdivision policy" has now received overwhelming approval within the NC system. Now we ask YOUR approval of this grass roots, democratic NC subdivision policy -- a solution moved through the system FROM THE GROUND UP, with approvals as at every level.

Thank you, in advance, for voting to support this motion.

Sincerely,

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