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> NC Budget Advocates

Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates *Emergency Motion Below*

The Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates, representing the 95 neighborhood councils regarding budget and fiscal issues, met with Council member Englander on Tuesday 1/8/2013.

The advocates, after hearing the council member explain the 3 Billion Dollar initiative, voted the motion below.

We ask each and every NC and NC member to contact your council member and request they respect the request of the budget advocates.

In addition, please ask your NC to adopt this motion, and if possible, file a community impact statement.

For questions or comments, please feel free to contact me directly at <u>310-466-0645</u> or by e mail to<u>sgrest@aol.com</u>.

Title : Resolution on Postponement of Proposed \$3 Billion Street Repair Bond Measure

MOTION : RE: City Council File 13-1300-S1

Whereas the City Council believes that the Neighborhood Councils do not inform their stakeholders about Council initiatives; and

Whereas the City Council requests better participation in city issues by Neighborhood Councils; and

Whereas Councilmember Parks held hearings at his Education and Neighborhoods Committee regarding Neighborhood Council participation in city issues; and

Whereas the City Council recently approved a citywide valet parking ordinance without enough time for Neighborhood Councils to weigh in; and

Whereas yet again, the City Council, without any warning or advance notice, introduced a motion on January 4, 2013 to place a three billion dollar bond measure on the May ballot with a vote scheduled to be taken on January 10, 2013, thereby again silencing their Neighborhood Council's voice in an important matter; and

Whereas the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition has already unanimously adopted and transmitted a position to the City Council on January 5, 2013 asking for 60 days time so that Neighborhood Councils are able to weigh in on issues affecting all of their stakeholders;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates instructs the Chair to immediately transmit the NCBA's opposition to the City Council's predeliction for precluding the Neighborhood Councils and their stakeholders from weighing in on citywide measures.

Furthermore, the NCBA's demands that a City Council decision on City Council File 13-1300-S1 be

postponed for 60 days until the City can issue a financial impact report of the new debt, and the 95 certified Neighborhood Councils have an opportunity to hold a Brown Act compliant meeting and report back to the Councilmembers with their stakeholders' views