June 2, 2015

Los Angeles City Council
c/o Office of the City Clerk
200 North Spring Street, room 360
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Honorable City Council:

The Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council (HHWNC) requests that the following statement of “no support” be attached to Council file 13-1493: Street Vending.

On July 16, 2014, HHWNC held a Brown Act compliant meeting in which the motion described in CF 13-1493 was discussed. A motion of non-support for CF 13-1493 was on the Agenda. The motion carried with one abstention.

The following points were brought forth and discussed which lead to the reason of “no support”:

1. The City of Los Angeles is not adequately policing these activities currently. Even with the change to a legal status, it does not prevent illegal dumping if policing is not continual.

2. There is a public safety issue with blocking sidewalks and parkways during entrance and exit of Hollywood Bowl hours.

3. There is a public safety issue with blocking sidewalks and parkways during late night club hours in Hollywood, especially on sidewalks which are “velvet roped” leaving little space for passage without entering the roadway.

4. There are documented public safety problems with current vendor food preparation and storage in the Hollywood Bowl area. There are no facilities at the Hollywood Bowl or the park areas on both sides of Cahuenga.

5. There has been more than a 100% increase in food vending citations in District 13 from 2012-2013 to 2013-2014 according to the legislative analyst.

On behalf of Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council, the above information is respectfully submitted.

Very truly yours

Anastasia Mann, President

P.S. This item was voted on by the HHWNC board on July 16, 2014 and due to human error was not filed as a CIS at the time.

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