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### Fwd: Please ad these letters to council file 17-0117

Sharon Dickinson

Mar 28, 2017 8:10 AM

Posted in group: Clerk-PLUM-Committee

From: Jorge Castillo <jorgec@alcoholjustice.org>

Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 4:42 PM

Subject: Please ad these letters to council file 17-0117

To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

Sharon,

Please ad the following letters to council file # 17-0117.

Thank you

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March 20, 2017

Chair Planning and Land Use Management Committee Los Angeles City Council 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council file number 17-0117 Alcohol Restricted Use Subdistrict / Conditional Use Permits – Support

Dear Councilmember Current D. Price Jr.,

We first want to thank councilmember Huizar and the PLUM committee for their support of the ordinance banning alcohol ads on city owned and controlled property. We are happy to report that the Coalition to Ban Alcohol Ads on Public Property in Los Angeles has now consolidated into the Los Angeles Drug and Alcohol Policy Alliance (L.A. DAPA).

As concerned community members we are troubled by the overconcentration of alcohol retail locations in the City of Los Angeles. Currently there is a motion (Council File 17-0117) instructing the Planning Department, in consultation with the City Attorney, to prepare a report on the feasibility of establishing a process to create Alcohol Restricted Use Subdistricts (ARUS), that would serve to restrict the overconcentration of alcohol retailers in areas of the City where the retail sale of alcohol is negatively impacting neighborhoods and residents.

ARUS would allow communities and their representatives to identify vulnerable areas in city council districts where restrictions could be applied on the future issuances of off-sale or on-sale alcohol licenses. ARUS zones will protect communities and families while encouraging healthier retail options to open up in the area.

A 2016 report published by the Substance Abuse Prevention and Control Los Angeles County Department of Public Health titled, 'Alcohol Outlet Density and Alcohol - Related Consequences,' concluded the following:

"[Los Angeles] Communities and cities with higher alcohol outlet density were more likely to have higher rates of violent crimes, alcohol-related [emergency department] ED visits, and alcohol-related hospitalizations, even after accounting for economic hardship."

The correlation between overconcentration of alcohol retail locations and harms is unquestionable. We ask that the Planning and Land Use Management Committee schedule the ARUS motion for a hearing. We also respectfully request that the committee support passage of the motion.

Sincerely,

Mihae Jung, Co-Chair

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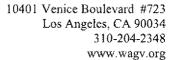
## Fwd: ARUS support letter

Sharon Dickinson Mar 28, 2017 8:12 AM

Posted in group: Clerk-PLUM-Committee

From: Margot Bennett <mbennett@wagv.org>

Date: Fri, Mar 24, 2017 at 6:16 PM Subject: ARUS support letter To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org





March 11, 2017

Councilmember Jose Huizar Chair Planning and Land Use Management Committee Los Angeles City Council 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

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You may recognize Women Against Gun Violence through our many years of work with the Council and the City Attorney to prevent gun violence in Los Angeles City and throughout our state and country. What you may not know is that we are a long time member of the Coalition to Ban Alcohol Ads on Public Property and a founding member of LA DAPA. Why? Because we recognize the very serious relationship between substance abuse and gun violence!

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# Margot Bennett

Margot Bennett Executive Director