

## Google Groups

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**Re: Letter for Council File #17-0447**

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**Zina Cheng**

Jun 2, 2017 2:26 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk-PLUM-Committee**

Please be aware that the correct email address for your written response is [clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org](mailto:clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org)  
For your convenience, I have included the correct email address for you.

The Office of the City Clerk is in receipt of your comment. It is included in the public record.

**\*\*\*NOTE TO LA CITY STAFF\*\*\*****\*\*\*Please Cc [sharon.dickinson@lacity.org](mailto:sharon.dickinson@lacity.org) on all emails related to PLUM Committee.\*\*\***

Zina Cheng  
Deputy City Clerk/Legislative Assistant for:  
Energy and Environment Committee  
Health, Mental Health, and Education Committee  
Planning and Land Use Management Committee

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On Fri, Jun 2, 2017 at 8:11 AM, VLAD <[contactvlad@gmail.com](mailto:contactvlad@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hello,

Sharon is out of the office, can you please submit the attached letter to Council File #17-0447?

Thank you,  
Vlad

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **VLAD** <[contactvlad@gmail.com](mailto:contactvlad@gmail.com)>

Date: Fri, Jun 2, 2017 at 8:03 AM

Subject: Letter for Council File #17-0447

To: [sharon.dickinson@lacity.org](mailto:sharon.dickinson@lacity.org), [michael.espinosa@lacity.org](mailto:michael.espinosa@lacity.org), [maria.espinoza@lacity.org](mailto:maria.espinoza@lacity.org),  
[sharon.gin@lacity.org](mailto:sharon.gin@lacity.org)

To whom it may concern:

I support a setback and motion to study as described in council file #17-0447.

Please submit the attached letter to Council File #17-0447.

Thank you,  
Vlad Popescu  
Software Engineer, Community Leader in Los Angeles

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You have never really lived until you've done something for someone who can never repay you.

June 2nd, 2017

Los Angeles City Council  
200 N. Spring St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Re: Support for Motion for Land Use and Legal Analysis of Setback Around Oil and Gas Extraction in Los Angeles (Council File # 17-0447)**

Dear Council President Wesson and Los Angeles City Council:

I am writing on behalf of Indivisible CA-43. The issue of neighborhood drilling is of special concern to our organization. Our members and families live very close to oil and gas extraction sites. These sites often smell badly so we are concerned that our health, quality of life, and property value is at risk.

We respectfully express our support for an ordinance to establish a 2,500-foot setback separating oil and gas extraction operations from sensitive land uses like homes, schools and hospitals. We would also like to express support and gratitude to Council for the motion introduced on April 19, 2017 (Council File # 17-0447) directing the City Attorney, Petroleum Administrator and Department of Planning to perform a legal and land use study of such an ordinance. We applaud the leadership of Council President Wesson introducing this motion and to Councilmembers Bonin, Cedillo, Harris-Dawson, Koretz, and Martinez for co-sponsoring the motion.

Los Angeles is the largest and most densely populated urban oil field in the nation. The City of LA hosts more than 900 active oil wells, with over 77% located within 2,500 feet of a home or sensitive land use such as a school, park or hospital. More than half of the active wells are located in low-income Latino and African-American neighborhoods already overburdened by environmental hazards, such as Wilmington and South L.A. Residents from these neighborhoods have documented serious health problems—including nosebleeds, chronic migraines, nausea, asthma and other respiratory illness—in addition to daily disruption from drilling noise and vibrations, foul odors, and diesel truck traffic.

Oil drilling operations are wholly incompatible with residential neighborhoods, and we urge the Council to act swiftly to pass the motion for a legal and land use study to alleviate the symptoms that front-line communities experience daily. Every Angeleno deserves to live in a safe, healthy neighborhood.

Thank you for your attention and action on matters that directly impact the health and safety of residents living near oil drilling operations. Please contact us if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,



**Vlad Popescu**  
**Indivisible CA-43**  
**8600 Tuscany Ave #206, Playa del Rey, CA 90293**  
**818.714.1378**

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