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Council District #11
Council President Herb Wesson
Mayor Eric Garcetti

Re: Prohibition on campaign contributions by developers (CF-19-0046)

To the Mayor and City Council,

At the Feb. 27, 2019, meeting of the West Los Angeles Sawtelle N.C., the Board of Directors voted 12-0-0, to support CF-19-0046 (David Ryu) and its prohibition on developer and contractor contributions to City elected officials with the following clarifications.

Facts and background:

1. Contributions shall be prohibited to the mayor, city councilmembers, controller, city attorney, and all PACs and non-profits that hold fundraisers or make contributions for those elected officials.
2. Contributions shall be prohibited for 1 year prior to submittal of a development application (those contributions prior to submittal shall be returned) and for 1 year after a development approval and its subsequent issuance of certificate of occupancy.
3. Contributions shall be prohibited from all financiers, developers, applicants, land owners, architects, engineers, contractors and subcontractors, and all employees and spouses of those employees of those firms.

Findings and justifications:

1. Mayor Garcetti and Council President Wesson promised this prohibition if citizens would oppose Measure S. They did, and the city reneged on its promise and never enacted the campaign contribution prohibition.

Ex parte communications: None disclosed by any committee members.

Disclosures and conflicts of interest: None disclosed by any committee members.

To government agencies: Only the Chair and designated Boardmembers may testify to public agencies on behalf of the West L.A. Sawtelle NC. The Board requests that the Council Office and private/non-profit entities do not testify or speculate on behalf of the NC.

/s/ Jamie L. Keeton

Jamie L. Keeton, Chair WLASNC

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