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Summary: The Atwater Village Neighborhood Council, support council resolution 13-1152-S1 introduced by Councilmembers Bonin and Koretz to have the Department of City Planning, with the assistance of other relevant departments, review and develop regulatory controls over fracking, and prepare and present an ordinance to change the zoning code to prohibit all activities associated with well stimulation.

Pertinent conclusions of the June 2015 report of the California Council on Science and Technology substantiate the argument that fracking is a dangerous proposition for our City:

Conclusion 1.5. Record keeping for hydraulic fracturing and acid stimulation in federal waters does not meet state standards.

Conclusion 3.2. Operators have unrestricted use of many hazardous and uncharacterized chemicals in hydraulic fracturing.

Conclusion 3.4. Oil and gas development causes habitat loss and fragmentation.

Conclusion 4.5. Disposal of wastewater by underground injection has caused earthquakes elsewhere.

Conclusion 5.1. Shallow fracturing raises concerns about potential groundwater contamination.

Conclusion 5.2. Leakage of hydraulic fracturing chemicals could occur through existing wells.

Conclusion 6.3. Emissions concentrated near all oil and gas production could present health hazards to nearby communities in California.

We urge you to add Los Angeles to the growing number of cities that have banned this hazardous process.