

PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT

MOTION

The San Fernando Valley is historically the technological core of the aerospace industry in Southern California. The West Valley has been the hub of industry and innovation going back to the beginning of the aerospace industry. In fact, in the early 1960's, 70% of the Valley's 1 million residents depended on this industry for their livelihood. As a direct result, communities such as Northridge and Chatsworth are home to many restricted light industrial properties which need to be preserved, inasmuch as the zones and accompanying land use categories are suitable for the location of high-tech, clean-tech, green-tech and bio-tech uses. This area is unique in the City of Los Angeles as one of the few contiguous areas with tremendous opportunity for multiple complimentary uses.

The City, therefore, needs to ensure that the necessary land use policies are enacted and enforced to designate and preserve this area as a light industrial hub and as an engine of economic development and growth. The goal of this effort has been and continues to be to establish this area as a vibrant incubation space to attract technologically modernized industries that support high paying jobs. The first step toward achieving this goal was to define and designate the boundaries of this area. That was completed in 2017 with the creation of "Innov818". The second step includes a partnership, between Council District 12 and the City Planning Department, to develop an inventory of assets in the area including transportation modes, housing and infrastructure, schools and education, fiber and internet speed capabilities, and power assessments.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Planning Department in consultation with the Bureau of Engineering and all other appropriate departments, report to Council with a detailed assessment of assets in the designated *Chatsworth-Northridge Industrial Core / Innov818* geographical area outlined in CF 17-0938 This asset assessment should include, but be not limited to, transportation, housing and infrastructure, schools and education, telecommunications capabilities and infrastructure, power assessments, including clean energy capabilities, and cultural features.

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