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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(17) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Council File Number: 19-0046

Agenda Date:

Item Number: Developer Contribution Restrictions

Summary: Discussion and possible action for the VNNC to strongly SUPPORT and file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Council File 19-0046 (Developer Contribution Restrictions – Ryu, Krekorian, Koretz, Martinez, Bonin, and Buscaino) to reform the Los Angeles City campaign finance system in order to reduce the influence of developer interests at City Hall and urges the Los Angeles City Council to schedule this item and approve it as soon as possible. Reform is necessary as developers have a clear financial interest in influencing City Hall to generate land use decisions that will benefit their projects. In 2011, the City approved Measure H, which limited campaign donations from contractors doing business or bidding to do business with the City, due to the clear financial conflict of interest. A similar concern exists with real estate developments where discretionary action required by the City is part of the planning process and incentivizes developers to donate to political campaigns in the hope of partial treatment. Whether the influence gained is merely perceived or real, the citizens of Los Angeles, like with Measure H, have a clear “anticorruption and anticircumvention interest” in prohibiting this activity. This ordinance would restore trust in the city planning process and has been upheld for similar bans by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.