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Item Number:

Summary: On Wednesday, November 18, 2020 the Zapata-King Neighborhood Council (ZKNC) held our General Board Meeting. Agenda item VIII(d) called for us to review and consider CF 20-0934. With a vote of 7-0-0, ZKNC voted to support, if amended, CF 20-0934 which calls for the Library Department to be instructed to report back on the feasibility of implementing a pilot program in Council District 1 (CD 1), that uses the public library' system to loan out Wi-Fi hot spots to help bridge the gap of internet access. Similarly, to CD 1, in Council District 9 (CD 9) people without internet access relies on places like libraries. The Library Department should also report back on the feasibility of implementing a pilot program in CD 9. In a released report by Los Angeles Unified School District, it was found that more than 50,000 Black and Latinx middle and high school students in Los Angeles did not regularly participate in virtual classrooms after campuses closed in March. In a previous survey it showed that one in five low-income students of color lacked computers and internet access. The City should find an effective way to bridge this gap and address the need to assist underserved families and individual youth through K-12.

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RE: Wi-Fi Hot Spots Loan Pilot Program / Low Income Students of Color / Public Library System / COVID-19 Pandemic Council File: 20-0934

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Respectfully submitted,

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