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Summary: In behalf of over 40,000 stakeholders, the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council (LFNC) supports Senate Bill 10 (SB 10), which would streamline the process of cities allowing up to ten units per parcel in urban areas. Thus, the LFNC opposes this City Council motion. We urge the Council to change course, stand against exclusionary zoning, and join us in supporting this much-needed reform. SB 10 would make it easier for Los Angeles—a city with a stark housing unaffordability crisis—to allow for more desperately needed housing. Under SB 10, cities could allow duplexes, triplexes, and small apartments through a simple vote not subject to costly, delay-inducing, oft-abused CEQA challenges. This reform will enable Los Angeles to restore valuable “missing middle,” medium-density housing. The bill would also provide important protections. SB 10 would only apply in urban infill, transit-rich, and job-rich areas, allowing for missing middle housing in high-opportunity, contextually appropriate areas. Individual developments would still be subject to all ordinary review requirements and design standards; SB 10 only streamlines the broader zoning change itself. Finally, Los Angeles could impose various affordability requirements to better ensure that the new housing is available to residents of all incomes. Nothing in the bill impairs this ability. This bill would help remediate the continuing legacies of exclusion and inequity that stem from redlining and racially restrictive covenants in Los Feliz, which current exclusionary zoning helps perpetuate. Exclusionary zoning makes it more difficult for people of color and low-income Angelenos to live in high-resource areas like Los Feliz. SB 10, though, would lower the hurdles to removing such zoning. Finally, this bill furthers local control by removing obstacles to cities deciding their own zoning. If passed, Los Angeles would still have the choice whether, how, and where to allow missing middle housing.