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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(16) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: The Echo Park Neighborhood Council is strongly opposed to this thinly veiled attempt from Councilmember O'Farrell to justify the unjustifiable actions he orchestrated around the closure of Echo Park Lake which resulted in violence, displacement, and fear across the neighborhood.



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LETTER OF OPPOSITION FOR COUNCIL FILE 21-0362

APRIL, 2021

The Echo Park Neighborhood Council is strongly opposed to this thinly veiled attempt from Councilmember O'Farrell to justify the unjustifiable actions he orchestrated around the closure of Echo Park Lake which resulted in violence, displacement, and fear across the neighborhood.

Furthermore, the rhetoric employed in this motion is the same kind of language that fuels division and hatred amongst neighbors—othering unhoused individuals and reinforcing harmful and incorrect stereotypes that lead housed Angelenos to oppose necessary and compassionate services in their communities and, at the worst of times, to commit violence against their unhoused neighbors.

This shameful rhetoric from Councilmember O'Farrell has no place in Echo Park or in Los Angeles at large. If Councilmember O'Farrell wants to fix his image after the events of Echo Park Lake, this Neighborhood Council suggests that he begin actually addressing the underlying issues that cause homelessness through compassionate and data-driven means, rather than by asking various City Departments to provide cover for him and the violence conducted on his behalf by the LAPD.

RESOLUTION

On April 27, 2021, the EPNC Board of Governors held a Brown Act noticed-meeting, at 7pm through zoom. With a quorum of 17 board members present and vote count of 16 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 abstentions, the Board resolved to write a letter of opposition for the application as set forth above.

Respectfully,
Echo Park Neighborhood Council

Nick Marcone
Secretary, Echo Park Neighborhood Council