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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(12) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: Since the creation of our city council system, there have been 15 council districts. The difference between then and now is that there were 200,000 people in the City of LA at the time, and that number has grown twenty-fold to over 3.85 million people today. Each individual Council District in Los Angeles has more people than the Cities of Burbank and Pasadena combined and there is scant evidence that this consolidation of power is at all good for the residents and voters of LA. The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council wholeheartedly supports bringing a Charter Reform Ballot Initiative to the voters in 2024 to tie Council district sizes to population, expand the City Council, provide more representation to our communities, and to remove Councilmembers from the redistricting process.

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CIS in support of CF: 22-1196 “Charter Reform Ballot Initiative / 2024 / Redistricting Process / Los Angeles City Council Seats / Representation Fixed to Population Growth”

November 21, 2022

Los Angeles City Council
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear City Council,

We declare that on November 1, 2022 a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) at which a quorum was present. The following motion passed unanimously, with a vote of 12 ayes, and 0 nays.

The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council wholeheartedly supports bringing a Charter Reform Ballot Initiative to the voters in 2024 to tie Council district sizes to population, expand the City Council, provide more representation to our communities, and to remove Councilmembers from the redistricting process.

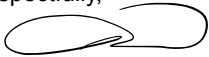
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The last charter reform was over 20 years ago. Before that, it had been even longer. We had this conversation 20 years ago and it is where our Neighborhood Council structure was born out of. While we recognize the ability that we have as an NC to research and influence policy in addition to creating much needed community, the problem stands that an average of 260,000 people cannot be adequately represented by just 1 councilmember. The task of a city council varies widely from that of a state or federal representative. Their task is more hands-on because we have issues as small as potholes, to our monumental task of housing our 40,000 unhoused residents.

We welcome an exploration and public discussion on how best to govern the city we love, so we support this motion. We thank you for your attention to this matter and appreciate your commitment to strengthening our community

Please place this letter in the case file, and acknowledge its receipt via email to: executive@ernc.la. Thank you.

Respectfully,



Richard Loew
President, Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council

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