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Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 24-0867

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A Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement (CIS) has been successfully submitted to your Commission or City Council. We provided information below about CISs and attached a copy of the CIS.

We encourage you to reach out to the Community Impact Statement Filer to acknowledge receipt and if this Community Impact Statement will be scheduled at a future meeting. Neighborhood Council board members are volunteers and it would be helpful if they received confirmation that you received their CIS.

The CIS process was enable by the to Los Angeles Administrative Code §Section 22.819. It provides that, "a Neighborhood Council may take a formal position on a matter by way of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or written resolution." NCs representatives also testify before City Boards and Commissions on the item related to their CIS. If the Neighborhood Council chooses to do so, the Neighborhood Council representative must provide the Commission with a copy of the CIS or rResolution sufficiently in advance for review, possible inclusion on the agenda, and posting on the Commission's website. Any information you can provide related to your agenda setting schedule is helpful to share with the NC.

If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *listed on the Commission's agenda*, during the time the matter is heard, the designated Neighborhood Council representative should be given an opportunity to present the Neighborhood Council's formal position. We encourage becoming familiar with the City Councils rules on the subject. At the Chair's discretion, the Neighborhood Council representative may be asked to have a seat at the table (or equivalent for a virtual meeting) typically reserved for City staff and may provide the Neighborhood Council representative more time than allotted to members of the general public. They are also permitted up to five (5) minutes of time to address the legislative body. If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *not listed on the agenda*, the designated Neighborhood Council representative may speak during General Public Comments.

We share this information to assist you with the docketing neighborhood council items before your board/commission. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at empowerla@lacity.org.

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Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 08/13/2024

Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

Date: 08/24/2024

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 24-0867

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council strongly opposes the motion under Council File 24-0867 Neighborhood Council Bylaws / Youth Participation / Diversity Increase / Leadership Growth. Please read the attached document.

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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Regarding: Council File **24-0867** Neighborhood Council Files / Youth Representation / Diversity Increase / Leadership Growth

Position: Against

The Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council, SVANC, in its regular meeting of August 13, 2024, passed the following community impact statement by a vote of: 9 yes, 0 no, 4 absent, 1 abstained, 0 recused, and 0 ineligible.

The Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council strongly opposes **Council File 24-0867**, which proposes to limit the number of terms a community stakeholder can be part of their neighborhood council and change the composition of the neighborhood council by mandating a youth seat.

Neighborhood councils are facing many challenges, but the recurrence of the same individuals serving on their governing boards is not one of them. The reason those individuals continue to serve as board members is because the community they represent continues to elect them. If the community felt they were being misrepresented, they would've voted out those members. Elections are open to everyone and every seat can be challenged. Let the community continue deciding who their local representatives are.

The city council should not impose the composition of a neighborhood council. Each neighborhood council is unique given the uniqueness of the community it represents and that is why each neighborhood council has its own set of bylaws. Bylaws can be changed to accommodate the needs of its community. Let the community dictate the structure of their bylaws. Many neighborhood councils struggle with filling up the youth position.

The best way to make sure a neighborhood council has diversity and leadership growth is through elections and the vote of the community. Board members should have no limit to the number of terms they serve and neighborhood council's board composition should not be decided by City Council. This is wrong and it defies the charter which states NCs are empowered to choose their own leaders.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Norma O. Chavez", is written over the typed name.

Norma O. Chávez

President, Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council