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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

This special meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council will be conducted online via Zoom Webinar and telephonically. All are invited to attend and participate.

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| <p><u>Opening Business</u></p> <p>Call to Order</p> <p>Roll Call – Establish Quorum</p> <p>Pledge of Allegiance</p> <p>Comments From the Chair</p> | <p>7:30 P.M.</p> | <p>Co-Chairs: Mr. Dan Brin Ms. Charlene Rothstein</p> <p>Secretary: Mr. Brad Vanderhoof</p> <p>Co-Chair: Ms. Charlene Rothstein</p> <p>Co-Chair: Mr. Dan Brin</p> |
| <p><u>Public Comment</u></p> <p>Comments & statements from stakeholders or interested parties on subjects <u>NOT</u> on this meeting’s agenda. <i>(Requires Speaker Card)</i></p> <p>*The Council affords an opportunity to members of the public to address the Council on items of interest that are within the Council’s jurisdiction. The Council is not permitted to take action on items that are not identified on the agenda. The Council reserves the right to limit speakers’ time if necessary to provide an adequate opportunity for all to be heard.*</p> | <p>7:40 P.M.</p> | <p>Co-Chair: Ms. Charlene Rothstein</p> |
| <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <p>21-0013 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS for CF 21-0002-S30 Fare-Free Transit/State and Local Agencies/Equitable Post-Pandemic Recovery /Freedom to Move Act (H.R. 7389/S. 4278) (5 Minutes Max)</p> <p>21-0014 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS for CF 20-1536, continuation of public engagement process while the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) Request for Proposals (RFP) process is under way (5 Minutes Max)</p> | <p>7:50 P.M.</p> | <p>Mr. Tony Scearce, Chair Streets & Transportation Committee</p> <p>Mr. Tony Scearce, Chair Streets & Transportation Committee</p> |

21-0016 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS on CF 20-0002-S2122, encouraging the City of LA to ask the County of Los Angeles to eliminate sale and use of fireworks throughout the County of Los Angeles. **(5 Minutes Max)**

21-0036 - Discussion and Possible Action on the CIS regarding City Council File 20-0712, Economic and Workforce Development Department extend the termination date of the Los Angeles Community Corps Program (CF 20- 0712) to December 2021 in order to utilize any remaining unspent balance in the funds set aside for that program, and to instruct/authorize the Economic and Workforce Development to prepare, process and execute any document(s) necessary for that program **(10 Minutes Max)**

21-0037 - Discussion and Possible action on the CIS regarding City Council File 21-0002-S59 Resolution regarding that with the concurrence of the Mayor, the City of Los Angeles includes in its 2021-2022 State and Federal Legislative Program support for any legislation and administrative action by the Los Angeles County and FEMA to increase their allocations to educators in numbers sufficient that LAUSD can meet its goal of having all staff ready for an April 9th re-opening of in-person instruction. **(10 Minutes Max)**

21-0047 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS regarding City Council File 21-002-S19, that the City of Los Angeles includes in its 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program to support for the California Statewide Campaign, Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward, to urge the Congress and President of the United States to pass legislation that provides a permanent solution with a pathway to citizenship for all 11 million undocumented immigrants **(5 Minutes Max)**

21-0048 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS regarding City Council File 21-0002-S37, resolution relative to establishing the City's position regarding the 2021-22 State Legislative Program for SB 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act, which would require companies doing business in California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions **(5 Minutes Max)**

21-0049 - Discussion and possible action submitting a CIS for Resolution, 21-0002-S56, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S. 36 and H.R. 486, the “Kobe Bryant and Gianna Bryant Helicopter Safety Act”, which would require certain helicopters to be equipped with safety technologies, and for other purposes. **(5 Minutes Max)**

Mr. Bob Brostoff, Co-Chair
Emergency Preparedness Committee
Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair
Emergency Preparedness Committee

Ms. Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair
Government Relations Committee
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| <p>21-0050- Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS for CF 2-1213, DIRECT the Department of City Planning, with assistance from the EMD and other relevant departments, to update the Safety Element of the General Plan concurrent with the Housing Element update to address State and Local goals for climate adaptation and resilience; the update shall build upon the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and provide comprehensive climate vulnerability assessments that identify the unique risks climate change poses to the City and each of the Community Plan Areas to inform adaptive and resilient policies, objectives, and implementation measures (5 Minutes Max)</p> | | <p>Mr. Bob Brostoff, Co-Chair Emergency Preparedness Committee Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair Emergency Preparedness Committee</p> |
| <p><u>New Business</u></p> <p>21-0051 - Discussion and possible action to approve the 2021 Board Seating Policy. Approval of this policy means the new Board Members shall assume their duties and responsibilities on July 1, 2021. If not approved, the new board will assume their duties and responsibilities at the first meeting after the final certification of elections, which is the WHNC’s regular June board meeting (15 Minutes Max)</p> <p>21-0052- Discussion and possible action on approving an NPG for Haynes Elementary School in the amount of \$875.00 to purchase an engraved bench for creating as part of a memorial (5 Minutes Max)</p> | <p>8:35 P.M.</p> | <p>Mr. Dan Brin, Co-Chair</p> <p>Ms. Aida Abkarians, Chair Youth & Education Committee</p> |
| <p><u>Adjournment</u></p> | <p>9:00 P.M.</p> | |

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Agenda Item 21-0013 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS for CF 21-0002-S30 Fare-Free Transit/State and Local Agencies/Equitable Post-Pandemic Recovery /Freedom to Move Act (H.R. 7389/S. 4278)

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the provision of reliable and affordable public transportation supports everyone - transit riders who have access to economic opportunity, single-occupant vehicular drivers who enjoy less road congestion, and all people who have cleaner air to breathe; and

WHEREAS, public transportation in the United States has historically been neglected, leading to the social, educational, and economic isolation of low-income and minority communities, as well many who are living with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has compounded this situation by necessitating service cuts and reduced service resulting from a severe decline in ridership and steep financial shortfalls for jurisdictions that rely on fare revenue to support their operating budgets; and

WHEREAS, to ensure an equitable post-pandemic recovery, steps must be taken by the Federal Government to allocate sufficient funding to support and sustain transit agencies and ensure that every person has access to affordable and reliable transportation; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2020, the Freedom to Move Act (H.R. 7389/S. 4278) was introduced to help states and localities provide fare-free rides, improve safety and quality of transportation, and address transit equity gaps; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that, in the new legislative session, the Federal Government take actions identified in the Freedom to Move Act to promote desperately-needed public transportation as a public good and provide fare-free public transit systems;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this, Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT and/or SPONSORSHIP of legislation that would provide funds to state and local agencies to provide fare-free transit.

PRESENTED BY: 
MIKE BONIN
Councilmember, 11th District

SECONDED BY: 

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Committee Meeting Date: 1/19/2021

Board Meeting Date 2/4/2021

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| File # : | 21-0002-S30 |
| Title : | Fare-Free Transit / State and Local Agencies / Equitable Post-Pandemic Recovery / Freedom to Move Act (H.R. 7389/S. 4278) |
| Type : | City's 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program |
| City/State : | City of Los Angeles |

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| Summary : | Resolution relative to including in the City's 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program, its position on legislation that would provide funds to state and local agencies to provide fare-free transit. |
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| Motion : | Attached S.4278 - Freedom to Move Act H.R.7389 - Freedom to Move Act |
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| EP Position : | Motion to support the City's position through the Legislative process of the House of Representatives |
| Vote : | |

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| “YES” Vote: | Means supporting the City's position to support H.R. 7389/S. 4278 |
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| “NO” Vote: | Means that we do not support the City's support of H.R. 7389/S. 4278 |
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Agenda Item 21-0014 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS for CF 20-1536, continuation of public engagement process while the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) Request for Proposals (RFP) process is under way

**PUBLIC WORKS AND
GANG REDUCTION**

MOTION

The City's current Coordinated Street Furniture Program expires at the end of 2021. Since 2018, the City Council, led by the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee, held numerous hearings and policy discussions on the topic and on November 26, 2019, authorized StreetsLA to undertake a competitive process and issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to establish a successor program, the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) (C.F. 00-1073-S1). Under this authority, the release of an RFP to solicit proposals for STAP is being considered by the Board of Public Works on November 24, 2020.

The expansion and enhancement of facilities that support public transit riders, improve bus stops, and offer wayfinding for visitors and residents alike are among the opportunities presented by the modernization of the street furniture program. The integration of digital elements into this program offers many opportunities for convenience, revenue, emergency and public service messaging, and local benefits; but it also raises the specters of potential privacy infringement, intrusively illuminated signage, and overall aesthetic diminishment. Last week, we heard similar questions and concerns from a number of community members.

These and other outstanding issues of significance require policy guidance from the City Council and, as was the expectation when the City Council last acted on this matter, must be addressed to shape the final design of the STAP and to assure the public that adequate controls are in place to protect neighborhoods and the City's interests. The deliberation and decision making on these issues must be made in a transparent fashion and be resolved before any award to operate the STAP is approved.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Bureau of Street Services be instructed to continue the public engagement process while the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) Request for Proposals (RFP) process is underway, provide a public report on the proposals received in response to the RFP, and, with assistance from other departments as necessary, report to the City Council within 60 days of receiving proposals regarding any outstanding issues that will shape the final operational details of a contract for the STAP, including:

- Parameters of digital advertising and/or digital displays to ensure compatibility with their surrounding environments, traffic safety, and land use zones such as specific plans and scenic highways;
- A policy governing data collection, ownership, privacy and use from devices placed within public rights-of-way or on City facilities;
- How advertising proposed within public rights-of-way can be governed and coordinated to ensure maximum benefits to the City and its residents and strict compliance enforcement;
- Controls over the content of advertising within public rights-of-way or on public property and the operational means to enforce them; and
- Strategies for capital investment necessary to maximize STAP benefits and the re-investment of program revenue into street and sidewalk improvements that facilitate safety, transit use, and mobility.

PRESENTED BY:

BOB BLUMENFIELD (verbal)
Councilmember, 3rd District

MIKE BONIN (verbal)
Councilmember, 11th District

SECONDED BY:

MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON (verbal)
Councilmember, 8th District

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| File # : | CF-20-01536 |
| Title : | Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) / Public Engagement / Request for Proposals |
| Type : | Public Works/Transportation |
| City/State : | Los Angeles, California |

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| Summary : | The West Hills Neighborhood Council board SUPPORTS the motion that the Bureau of Street Services be instructed to continue the public engagement process while the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) request for proposals (RFP) process is underway, provide a public report on the proposals received in response to the RFP and report to the City Council within 60 days of receiving proposals. |
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| Motion : | <p>Support CF 20-1536 in that Bureau of Street Services be instructed to continue the public engagement process while the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) Request for Proposals (RFP) process is underway, provide a public report on the proposals received in response to the RFP, and, with assistance from other departments as necessary, report to the City Council within 60 days of receiving proposals regarding any outstanding issues that will shape the final operational details of a contract for the STAP, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parameters of digital advertising and/or digital displays to ensure compatibility with their surrounding environments, traffic safety, and land use zones such as specific plans and scenic highways; • A policy governing data collection, ownership, privacy and use from devices placed within public rights-of-way or on City facilities; • How advertising proposed within public rights-of-way can be governed and coordinated to ensure maximum benefits to the City and its residents and strict compliance enforcement; • Controls over the content of advertising within public rights-of-way or on public property and the operational means to enforce them; and • Strategies for capital investment necessary to maximize STAP benefits and the re-investment of program revenue into street and sidewalk improvements that facilitate safety, transit use, and mobility. |
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| EP Position : | |
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| “YES” Vote: | YES = YES on the Motion |
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| “NO” Vote: | NO = NO on the Motion |
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Agenda Item 21-0036 - Discussion and Possible Action on the CIS regarding City Council File 20-0712, Economic and Workforce Development Department extend the termination date of the Los Angeles Community Corps Program (CF 20- 0712) to December 2021 in order to utilize any remaining unspent balance in the funds set aside for that program, and to instruct/authorize the Economic and Workforce Development to prepare, process and execute any document(s) necessary for that program

COUNCIL FILE 20-0712

ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MOTION **AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RECOVERY
AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT**

Rising unemployment, declining economic activity and business closures have transformed the social and economic landscape of Los Angeles in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. In the past year, unemployment in Los Angeles County increased to a staggering 21.1% in May 2020, the highest since the Great Recession (U.S. Department of Labor, May 2020). Additionally, major retailers filed for bankruptcy, pushing several industries to the brink of economic survival. According to the California Budget and Policy Center, workers in California's lowest paying private sector industries lost more than 100,000 jobs in December 2020, with the greatest loss in the hospitality industry. In Los Angeles County, approximately 716,00 jobs were lost this past year. While the economy regained some of these workers over the last few months, over 500,000 jobs have yet to be recovered (LAEDC, 2020).

This poses new challenges on the pathway toward economic recovery. Massive layoffs will continue to have a devastating impact on our most vulnerable residents, particularly low-income, communities of color who disproportionately work in the hardest-hit sectors in the pandemic. About three in five Latinx and Black households lost earnings during the pandemic (California Budget and Policy Center, 2021). In Los Angeles County, the unemployment rate for low-income families was nearly 28%, with close to 40% of the Black labor force and 26.3% Latinx workers filing for unemployment (RAND, 2020). These essential workers who have lost their jobs will find it more difficult to reacquire new jobs in similar sectors decimated by the pandemic and will face longer periods of unemployment and homelessness if critical policy and programmatic measures are not enacted to protect their economic well-being.

Workforce opportunity and investment is urgently needed for our most vulnerable workers in the City of Los Angeles. While several industries have struggled with the economic challenges of the pandemic, the health care and social service industry is projected to add close to 100,000 jobs by 2022 (LAEDC, 2020). These two industries will provide a base for economic recovery in the future beyond the pandemic. As the City and County scales up its vaccination efforts, creating a well-trained public health workforce will be critical to help fight the pandemic, revitalize the economy and connect our most vulnerable residents to health and social services.

To help meet this need, the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), in collaboration with several non-profits, launched the Community Care Corps. The program trains and hires residents with the highest barriers to employment as community health workers and contact tracers to fill gaps in our healthcare system and provide meaningful employment to residents during these unprecedented times.

In late 2020, the Community Care Corps successfully trained and hired nearly 700 residents for careers as community health workers. These frontline workers helped to track infection through

contact tracing, checked on high-risk patients with chronic conditions, transported necessary food and supplies and most importantly, conducted outreach and education. This continued work is critical especially for low-income, underserved communities that have been disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

With the extension of CARES Act funding, the City of Los Angeles can scale up the Community Care Corps program and create new career pathway opportunities for residents facing the highest barriers to employment.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Economic and Workforce Development Department to extend the termination date of the Los Angeles Community Care Corps Program (CF 20-0712) to December 31, 2021 in order to utilize any remaining unspent balance in the funds set aside for that program, and to instruct/authorize the Economic and Workforce Development Department to prepare, process and execute any document(s) necessary for that purpose.

PRESENTED BY: 
MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
Councilmember, 10th District

SECONDED BY: _



NURY MARTINEZ
Councilmember, 6th District

Committee Meeting Date: March 15, 2021

Board Meeting Date May 17, 2021

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| File # : | CF # 20-0712 |
| Title : | Motion |
| Type : | Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment |
| City/State : | Los Angeles, CA |

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| Summary : | <p>In addition to the severe illness and monumental numbers of deaths mainly due to COVID-19 and declining economic activity and business closures, there has been a staggering rise in unemployment in Los Angeles County and City, with a devastating impact on those who can afford it least: low-income families and communities of color. However, the health care and social service industries are both projected to add close to 100,000 jobs by 2022, which can provide a base for economic recovery beyond the pandemic. To help meet this need, the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), collaborating with several non-profits, launched the Community Care Corps. This Corps trains and hires residents with the highest barriers to employment as community health workers and trace finders to fill gaps in the health care system and provide meaningful employment during these unprecedented times. The Corps has already successfully trained and hired nearly 700 for careers as community health workers. If the CARES Act funding is extended, this program can be continued to train and hire more community health workers. This motion seeks to instruct the EWDD to extend the Community Care Corps Program to 12/31/2021 to utilize any remaining funds for that program and to instruct and authorize EWDD to prepare, process and execute any documents necessary for that purpose.</p> |
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| GR Position : | Supports the motion |
| Vote : | 8 Yes 0 No |

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| “YES” Vote: | A “yes” vote means you want the CARES Act funding to continue to allow extension of the Community Care Corps Program and funding through 12/31/2021. |
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| “NO” Vote: | A “no” vote means you do not want the CARES Act funding to continue to allow extension of the Community Care Corps Program and funding through 12/31/2021. |
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Agenda Item 21-0037 - Discussion and Possible action on the CIS regarding City Council File 21-0002-S59 Resolution regarding that with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State and Federal Legislative Program support for any legislation and administrative action by the Los Angeles County and FEMA to increase their allocations to educators in numbers sufficient that LAUSD can meet its goal of having all staff ready for an April 9th re-opening of in-person instruction.

COUNCIL FILE 20-0002-S59

SUPPORT STATE & FEDERAL
LEGISLATION FOR INCREASE
IN FUNDS FOR LAUSD

MOTION

I MOVE to amend item 12 (CF# 20-0990) on the Council agenda for February 24, 2021 regarding the Arts, Parks, Health, Education, and Neighborhoods Committee Report to replace the second recommendation with the following language:

“INSTRUCT the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to develop a plan and protocol to proactively provide training on issues relating to gender identity and gender expression to individual neighborhood councils when a board member or actively-involved stakeholder has transitioned or made known that they have changed their name or preferred pronouns.”

PRESENTED BY  : _____
BOB BLUMENFIELD
Councilmember, 3rd District

 SECONDED BY: _____
MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District



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Committee Meeting Date: March 15, 2021

Board Meeting Date May 17, 2021

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| File # : | |
| Title : | Resolution |
| Type: | Rules, Elections, Intergovernment Relations |
| City/State : | Los Angeles, CA |

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| Summary : | <p>Any official position of the City of Los Angeles regarding any legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed by or pending before a local, state or governmental body or agency must first be adopted by the City Council in the form of a Resolution. Presently, LAUSD is working toward re-opening its schools for in-person instruction by simultaneously adopting its safety plan and negotiating with United Teachers of Los Angeles (UTLA) regarding re-opening criteria for April 9, 2021. California Governor Newsom and state legislative leaders have announced a \$2 BILLION plan to reward schools re-opening by April 1, 2021, and to provide an additional \$4.6 BILLION for expenses for completing the current school year in a timely manner. That reward is reduced each day after April 1 for schools which fail to meet the opening date goal, thereby reducing districts' abilities to secure safety equipment for classrooms. Two major issues now impede LAUSD's ability to come to an agreement with UTLA regarding an opening date, namely: teachers' and staffs' vaccinations and LA County's purple tier COVID-19 infection rate. Although the infection rate cannot be controlled, the number of LAUSD staff receiving vaccinations is subject to the control of the governor and legislature, The state's present allocation of 10% of available vaccines only for educators and staff in early education and elementary schools and FEMA's allocation of the CSU-LA vaccination site days for educators will not meet UTLA's goal of full vaccination by April 9, 2021. Therefore this resolution supports legislation and administrative action by LA County and FEMA to increase allocations to educators in numbers sufficient for LAUSD to meet its goal of having all staff ready for an April 9, 2021 re-opening of in-person instruction.</p> |
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| Type : | Resolution |
| GR Position : | Supports the Resolution |
| Vote : | 8 Yes 0 No |

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| "YES" Vote: | A "yes" vote means you are in favor of LA County and FEMA increasing vaccination allocations and more days at vaccination sites only for teachers and staff so schools can re-open by April 9, 2021. |
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| "NO" Vote: | A "no" vote means you are NOT in favor of LA County and FEMA increasing vaccination allocations and more days at vaccination sites only for teachers and staff, meaning that schools will not be able to re-open by April 9, 2021. |
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RESOLUTION

RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles to advance the best interests of its residents has been a place of refuge for immigrants and refugees escaping from war, natural disasters and political and economic turmoil in their countries of origin; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has the largest share of immigrants of any major U.S. city and population who despite greatly contributing economically, culturally and socially, to the United States, undergo daily attacks; and

WHEREAS, the United States is currently operating under an antiquated and harmful immigration system that has not adapted to the needs of economic, climate and demographic realities here at home and globally. Most importantly, continuously fails to recognize the full humanity and dignity of immigrants; and

WHEREAS, the last time a legalization program was approved by Congress was in 1986. Thereafter, Congress has exclusively focused on enforcement-only policies leading to a broken immigration system characterized by the deportation of over twenty million immigrants many accompanied by their U.S. citizen children; and

WHEREAS, since the advent of the current Administration an even more inhumane and chaotic immigration landscape has emerged. Since day one, counseled by advisors with ties to white supremacist ideologies, the President has weaponized his executive power to further criminalize immigrants, separate families, and dismantle the current legal immigration system by a thousand cuts; and

WHEREAS, specifically, he has used his Executive and Administrative power to eliminate existing legal protections such as Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), subvert the asylum process and shut other doors to refuge by adding obstacles for the lawful migration of poor and non-white immigrants; and

WHEREAS, as we enter a new decade, when immigrant communities and their children and families, including U.S. citizens, are subject to a constant onslaught of hostility, we must move to reject this destructive framework rooted in punitive enforcement and advocate for justice and human rights. We must begin with legalization and reimagining a truly fair, inclusive, and equitable immigration system; and

WHEREAS, we respectfully urge that the New Administration utilize its executive powers to provide temporary protection for immigrants, until a permanent solution is enacted by Congress, including but not limited to a moratorium on deportations, Parole-in-Place; Deferred Enforced Departure; TPS and a modernized version of 2012 DACA; and

WHEREAS, we respectfully demand that Congress enact permanent protection for all 11 million migrants, providing a pathway to citizenship that is attainable, affordable, expedient, centered on unifying families; upholding due process and fairness, and ensuring that future migration is compassionate; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles must celebrate the contributions of immigrants and recognizes and respects their inherent human rights; and

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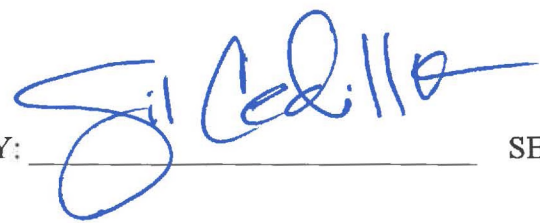
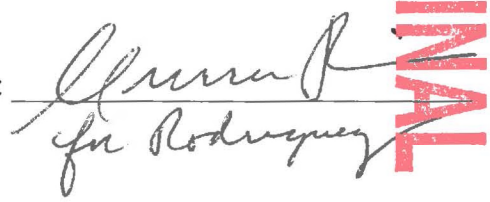


WHEREAS, the Los Angeles City Council reaffirms the City's commitment to basic human respect and the welcoming of immigrants from across the globe, irrespective of their religion, nationality, gender, sexual orientation or race; and

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Campaign, *Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward* is a statewide effort lead by immigrant advocacy groups that promotes federal policy proposals directed to the new administration with the purpose of uplifting undocumented immigrants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-22 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for the California Statewide Campaign, *Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward*, to urge the Congress and President of the United States to pass legislation that provides a permanent solution with a pathway to citizenship for all 11 million undocumented immigrants.

PRESENTED BY:  SECONDED BY: 
NURY MARTINEZ
Council President, 6th District

SECONDED BY:  SECONDED BY: 

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| File # : | |
| Title : | Resolution to Support the California Statewide Campaign, Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward |
| Type : | Undocumented immigrants |
| City/State : | City of Los Angeles |
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| Summary : | <p>To advance the best interests of its residents, the City of Los Angeles has long been a place of refuge for immigrants and refugees escaping from war, natural disasters, and political and economic turmoil in their countries of origin. Los Angeles has the largest share of immigrants of any major U.S. city and a population who, despite greatly contributing economically, culturally and socially to the U.S., undergo daily attacks. Former President Trump used his executive and administrative power to eliminate existing legal protections, such as Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) to bring on a more inhumane and chaotic immigration landscape, to subvert the asylum process, to shut other doors to refugees, to criminalize immigrants, separate families and dismantle the legal immigration system by huge cuts. Now that there is new leadership in Washington, we must move to reject that destructive framework and instead advocate for justice and human rights. We must also legalize and re-imagine a truly fair, inclusive and equitable immigration system by urging the Biden Administration to utilize its executive powers to provide temporary protection for immigrants until a permanent solution is enacted by Congress, including but not limited to a moratorium on deportations, Parole-in-Place, Deferred Enforced Departure, TPS and a modernized version of 2012 DACA. We demand Congress enact permanent protection for all 11 million migrants, providing a pathway to citizenship, upholding due process and ensuring that future migration is compassionate. The LA City Council reaffirms the City's commitment to basic human respect and the welcoming of immigrants from across the globe and therefore supports the California Statewide Campaign, Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward, and urges Congress and the President of the US to pass legislation that provides a permanent solution with a pathway to citizenship for all 11 million undocumented immigrants.</p> |
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| GR Position : | |
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| “YES” Vote: | Means that you support the City's commitment to basic human respect and support the California Statewide Campaign, Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward, and urge Congress and the President to pass legislation that provides a permanent solution with a pathway to citizenship for 11 million undocumented immigrants. |
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| “NO” Vote: | Means that you DO NOT support the City's commitment to basic human respect and support the California Statewide Campaign, Yes! Immigrants Moving Forward, and DO NOT urge Congress and the President to pass legislation that provides a permanent solution with a pathway to citizenship for 11 million undocumented immigrants. |
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Agenda Item 21-0048 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS regarding City Council File 21-0002-S37, resolution relative to establishing the City's position regarding the 2021-22 State Legislative Program for SB 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act, which would require companies doing business in California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, according to the world's leading scientists, the world must cut emissions by more than 45 percent by 2030 and reach net zero emissions well before 2050 for any chance to stop warming at 1.5 degree C and drastically roll back emissions that have become part of daily business in our carbon- based economy; and

WHEREAS, based on Los Angeles' commitment to exceeding the Paris Agreement, the City's 2019 Green New Deal Pathway calls for cutting greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) to more than 50 percent below 1990 levels by 2025 and becoming carbon neutral well before 2050, and on January 25, 2021, Mayor Garcetti implemented the City Council's Climate Emergency Mobilization Office (CEMO), which will be responsible for mobilizing the City to exceed the commitments of L.A.'s Green New Deal; and

WHEREAS, the private sector is also making strides as investor expectations are beginning to shape how companies manage and report on climate risk – approximately 90 percent of the S&P 500 released sustainability reports in 2019; and

WHEREAS, fundamental challenges still remain – namely the reporting of scope 1 (emissions released on site or from vehicles), scope 2 (indirect emissions from electricity purchased and used) and scope 3 (emissions from assets not owned or controlled by the reporting businesses) emissions, the development of industry reporting standards, holding businesses accountable for regularly disclosing carbon impacts, and taking actionable steps to annually reduce those impacts; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act (CCAA), would be the first law in the country to require U.S.-based companies doing business in California and generating over \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Corporate Accountability Act, would require the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop science-based emissions targets, and adopt regulations to require businesses to publicly disclose all scope 1, scope 2 and scope 3 emissions for the prior calendar year in a manner that is easily understandable and accessible to residents, and gives companies until 2025 to begin setting their emissions reduction targets, a process which will also be overseen by CARB; and

WHEREAS, many of the largest companies doing business in California are not subject to carbon reporting laws, and those who do report their emissions often do not report their full carbon footprint, making it more difficult to regulate emissions, set appropriate reduction targets, and hiding activities that are creating potentially devastating environmental and health impacts for residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Senate Bill 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act (CCAA), which would require companies doing business in California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions.

PRESENTED BY: Paul Koretz
PAUL KORETZ
Councilmember, 5th District

SECONDED BY: Kevin de Leon

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When making inquiries relative to
this matter, please refer to the
Council File No.: [21-0002-S37](#)

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

March 18, 2021

Council File No.: [21-0002-S37](#)

Council Meeting Date: March 03, 2021

Agenda Item No.: 17

Agenda Description: RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to establishing the City's position regarding the 2021-22 State Legislative Program for SB 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act, which would require companies doing business in California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions.

Council Action: RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT AND RESOLUTION - ADOPTED FORTHWITH

Council Vote:

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| YES | BLUMENFIELD | YES | HARRIS-DAWSON | YES | O'FARRELL |
| ABSENT | BONIN | YES | KORETZ | YES | PRICE |
| YES | BUSCAINO | YES | KREKORIAN | YES | RAMAN |
| YES | CEDILLO | YES | LEE | YES | RIDLEY-THOMAS |
| YES | DE LEON | YES | MARTINEZ | YES | RODRIGUEZ |

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT
CITY CLERK

Pursuant to Charter/Los Angeles Administrative Code Section(s): 231(h)

FILE SENT TO MAYOR:

LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT:

APPROVED

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Mayor

03/24/2021

DATE SIGNED

Adopted Report(s)

Title

Report from Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Date

02/16/2021

Committee Meeting Date: April 19, 2021

Board Meeting Date May 17, 2021

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| File # : | SB 260 (Weiner) (21-0002-S37) |
| Title : | The Climate Corporate Accountability Act (CCAA) |
| Type : | Controlling greenhouse gas emissions |
| City/State : | City of Los Angeles |
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| Summary : | <p>According to the world’s leading scientists, the world MUST cut emissions by more than 45 percent by 2030 and reach net zero emissions by 2050 to stop warming at 1.5 degree Centigrade and drastically roll back emissions that have become part of “daily business” in our carbon-based economy. The City of Los Angeles has committed to exceeding the Paris Agreement in its 2019 Green New Deal Pathway to cut greenhouse emissions by more than 50% below 1990 by year 2025 by implementing the City Council’s Climate Emergency Mobilization Office (CEMO), which will be responsible for mobilizing the City to exceed the commitments of LA’s Green New Deal. Senate Bill 260 (Weiner), the Climate Corporate Accountability Act (CCAA), would be the first law in the country to require US-based companies doing business in California and generating over \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions. Under the CCAA, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) would be required to develop science-based emission targets and adopt resolutions to require businesses to publicly disclose all scope 1 (emissions released on site or from vehicles), scope 2 (indirect emissions from electricity purchased and used) and scope 3 (emissions from assets not owned or controlled by the reporting businesses) emissions, for the prior calendar year in an understandable manner and accessible to all residents, and gives companies until 2025 to begin setting their emissions reduction targets, a process which will also be overseen by CARB. SB 260 will force businesses to report emissions and their full carbon footprint, making it less difficult to regulate emissions, set appropriate reduction targets, and end activities that are creating potentially devastating environmental and health impacts for residents.</p> |
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| Type : | Controlling greenhouse gas emissions |
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| GR Position : | |
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| “YES” Vote: | Means you support the provisions of SB 260, which would require companies doing business in California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions. |
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| “NO” Vote: | Means you do NOT support the provisions of SB 260, which would require companies doing business if California and having \$1 billion in gross annual revenue to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set science-based targets to reduce those emissions. |
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must first have been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2020, Angelenos suffered a devastating loss when basketball legend Kobe Bryant and his 13-year old daughter, Gianna Bryant; John and Keri Altobelli and their daughter Alyssa; Sarah Chester and her daughter, Payton; Christina Mauser; and Ara Zobayan were killed when their helicopter crashed near Calabasas, California; and

WHEREAS, upon investigation and inquiry, officials from the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) stated that the impacted helicopter was not equipped with basic safety equipment such as a Flight Data Recorder (FDR), a Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR), or a Terrain Awareness and Warning System (TAWS); and

WHEREAS, these findings were made despite numerous NTSB investigations of helicopter accidents as far back as 2004, and recommendations to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) that helicopters have basic safety equipment installed; and

WHEREAS, to date, the FAA has not acted on this and other NTSB recommendations intended to prevent future helicopter accidents; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein, Charles Schumer, Richard Blumenthal and Edward Markey, and U.S. Representative Brad Sherman have introduced the "Kobe Bryant and Gianna Bryant Helicopter Safety Act" (S. 36 and H.R. 486) to direct the FAA to issue regulations to implement the NTSB recommendations to equip "existing and new U.S.-registered turbine-powered rotor-craft certificated for 6 or more passenger seats..." with crash resistant systems; and

WHEREAS, to protect future passengers and to honor the memory and many contributions of Kobe Bryant and those who were lost on January 26, 2020, the City of Los Angeles should lend its support to S. 36 and H.R. 486 to enhance helicopter safety;

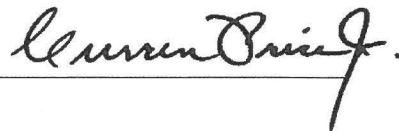
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S. 36 and H.R. 486, the "Kobe Bryant and Gianna Bryant Helicopter Safety Act", which would require certain helicopters to be equipped with safety technologies, and for other purposes.

PRESENTED BY:



PAUL KORETZ
Councilmember, 5th District

SECONDED BY:




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Committee Meeting Date: April 21, 2021

Board Meeting Date May 17, 2021

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| File # : | 21-0002-S56 |
| Title : | The Kobe Bryant and Gianna Bryant Helicopter Safety Act / National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) / Safety Technologies |
| Type : | Resolution |
| City/State : | In support of Federal Legislation |

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| Summary : | <p>Upon investigation and inquiry, officials from the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) stated that the impacted helicopter was not equipped with basic safety equipment such as a Flight Data Recorder (FDR), a Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR), or a Terrain Awareness and Warning System (TAWS).</p> <p>U.S. Senators Dianne Feinstein, Charles Schumer, Richard Blumenthal and Edward Markey, and U.S. Representative Brad Sherman have introduced the "Kobe Bryant and Gianna Bryant Helicopter Safety Act" (S. 36 and H.R. 486) to direct the FAA to issue regulations to implement the NTSB recommendations to equip "existing and new U.S.-registered turbine-powered rotor-craft certificated for 6 or more passenger seats..." with crash resistant systems</p> |
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| Motion : | <p>With the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for S. 36 and H.R. 486, the "Kobe Bryant and Gianna Bryant Helicopter Safety Act", which would require certain helicopters to be equipped with safety technologies, and for other purposes.</p> |
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| EP Position : | Voted in Favor of Yes |
| Vote : | 6-0 Unanimous |

"YES" Vote: Means to support the Resolution for equipping helicopters with Safety Equipment.

"NO" Vote: Means not to support the Resolution to equip helicopters with Safety Equipment.

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to evacuation routes in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Bonin - Koretz):

1. DIRECT the Department of City Planning (CPD), with assistance from the Emergency Management Department (EMD), Los Angeles Department of Transportation, the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), and relevant departments, to report back on the capacity, safety, and viability of existing and potential evacuation routes in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones and identify the policies and development standards, including land use and building restrictions, necessary to support these evacuation routes.
2. DIRECT the CPD, with assistance from the EMD, LAFD, and relevant departments, to amend the General Plan by incorporating the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and Office of Planning and Research's "Fire Hazard Planning" provisions into the Safety Element concurrent with the ongoing update of the Housing Element.
3. DIRECT the City Planning Commission, after reviewing the update to the Safety Element of the General Plan, to its report and recommendations to the City Council.
4. DIRECT the Department of City Planning, with assistance from the EMD and other relevant departments, to update the Safety Element of the General Plan concurrent with the Housing Element update to address State and Local goals for climate adaptation and resilience; the update shall build upon the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and provide comprehensive climate vulnerability assessments that identify the unique risks climate change poses to the City and each of the Community Plan Areas to inform adaptive and resilient policies, objectives, and implementation measures.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the City Administrative Officer has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For: Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on November 5, 2020, the PLUM Committee considered a Motion (Bonin - Koretz) relative to evacuation routes in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones. A Representative from Council District 11 provided comments and offered an amendment for the Committee's consideration. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to adopt the Motion as amended, as detailed above in recommendation No. 4. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 21-0050- Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS for CF 2-1213, DIRECT the Department of City Planning, with assistance from the EMD and other relevant departments, to update the Safety Element of the General Plan concurrent with the Housing Element update to address State and Local goals for climate adaptation and resilience; the update shall build upon the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and provide comprehensive climate vulnerability assessments that identify the unique risks climate change poses to the City and each of the Community Plan Areas to inform adaptive and resilient policies, objectives, and implementation measures

| <u>MEMBER</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
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| HARRIS-DAWSON: | YES |
| BLUMENFIELD: | ABSENT |
| PRICE, JR.: | ABSENT |
| CEDILLO: | YES |
| LEE: | YES |

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| File # : | 20-1213 |
| Title : | PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to evacuation routes in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones. |
| Type : | |
| City/State : | City of Los Angeles |

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| Summary : | <p>DIRECT the Department of City Planning (CPD), with assistance from the Emergency Management Department (EMD), Los Angeles Department of Transportation, the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), and relevant departments, to report back on the capacity, safety, and viability of existing and potential evacuation routes in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones and identify the policies and development standards, including land use and building restrictions, necessary to support these evacuation routes.</p> <p>Whereas the hillside community of West Hills is located in very high fire hazard severity zones and because many of the most recent fires have started in these hillside communities, forcing evacuations in the early morning and late night hours, the community of West Hills requests to identify the policies and development standards to identify and support these evacuation routes.</p> |
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| EP Position : | Motion Approved in Favor |
| Vote : | 6-0 Unanimous |

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| “YES” Vote: | To request a report on the safety of evacuation routes for the community of West Hills |
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| “NO” Vote: | A safe evacuation report for the hillsides of West Hills is not necessary. |
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Agenda Item 21-0051 - Discussion and possible action to approve the 2021 Board Seating Policy. Approval of this policy means the new Board Members shall assume their duties and responsibilities on July 1, 2021. If not approved, the new board will assume their duties and responsibilities at the first meeting after the final certification of elections, which is the WHNC's regular June board meeting



Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Neighborhood Council Board Seating Policy

Department Policy

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to describe the specific methods the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (EmpowerLA/Department) will employ to implement relevant sections of the Los Angeles Administrative Code and policies of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. The policy provides a consistent approach to managing various internal and external elements of Neighborhood Council elections including, but not limited to a) a consistent period for establishing Board terms; b) clarity about the date when Board Members assume their duties and responsibilities; c) clarity related to when Boards shall hold their ‘organization’ meeting (election of officers and committee chairs), if applicable; and d) recognition of the need to enhance our ability to increase opportunities for the success of all Board Members with a lens on equity and inclusiveness. The policy describes ways in which the Boards can request assistance from EmpowerLA to plan for anticipated or address unanticipated transition issues.

Summary: The Election of Board Members for the City of Los Angeles’ Neighborhood Council System (System) is a vibrant and ongoing process. Board elections are one of the most important duties that the System administers. The election process involves specific roles and responsibilities of Neighborhood Councils, pursuant to their bylaws and also EmpowerLA and the Offices of the Los Angeles City Clerk (City Clerk) and City Attorney. EmpowerLA and City Clerk derive their authority over the administration of Neighborhood Council elections from [Admin Code Section 20.36 \(b\)](#).

(b) The Department and City Clerk shall each be authorized to promulgate any election procedure, rule, regulation, or issue any directive or moratorium necessary for that portion of the elections they administer, including the promulgation of any procedures, rules, regulations, directives, or moratoria for the resolution of any election challenge.

Additionally, on January 21, 2020, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners approved a [Neighborhood Council Orientation Policy 2020-1](#). The NC Orientation policy aims to expand Board Member leadership skills to improve the proper function of Neighborhood Council Board meetings. The policy also requires EmpowerLA to develop specific tools, guides, handbooks, and a Leadership Academy following the 2021 elections for “executive board members (president/chair, Vice president/Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary), and any other duly selected or elected “executive” board members” or equivalent.

Neighborhood Council elections are held every two years. Twelve (12) roving election schedules are established by the City Clerk. These schedules are held, generally, between the months of November - June of the election year. As a result, the date of the election for a Neighborhood Council is subject to change. For example, the election of a Neighborhood Council Board could be in the month of March in one election cycle and in the month of June in a subsequent election cycle (typically two to four years following). The roving election schedule creates a wide variety of circumstances associated with Board terms and the opportunity for Board Members to prepare for Board service. This is particularly challenging for EmpowerLA given its limited staffing capacity and resources.

The revisions to the [2019 Board Seating Policy](#) as described below further allows EmpowerLA to plan for and make a concerted effort to establish and evaluate equity goals for the onboarding of Neighborhood Council Board Members and consider approaches for the meaningful and responsive distribution of related resources.

Members of the City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council System shall be elected in the manner prescribed for the election of members of the individual Neighborhood Council Board. EmpowerLA's Board Seating policy shall be amended as follows.

- A. Board Members shall assume the duties and responsibilities:
1. after all official election challenges for the Neighborhood Council have been resolved;
 2. after the City Clerk has issued certified election results for the Neighborhood Council, and;
 3. after, if applicable, the City Clerk has certified the list of candidates and determined that the seats are uncontested such that no election shall be held. If a Neighborhood Council fails to register enough candidates to have a competitive race, the election will be cancelled, and the candidates seated by affirmation. The Neighborhood Council shall contact EmpowerLA to receive guidance in the seating of the certified candidates. EmpowerLA shall contact the certified candidates to provide guidance on when they begin to assume their duties and responsibilities pursuant to this policy and the corresponding Neighborhood Council's bylaws.
- B. The terms of office for elected or selected Board Members shall commence on July 1 of the Board seat's election year. The terms of office shall end on the last day in June of the Board seat's election term (e.g., end of two-year term). Commencing newly elected or re-elected Board Members on July 1st allows the terms to be consistent with the City of Los Angeles fiscal year which commences on July 1st and ends on June 30th. No additional meeting or oath of office shall be required to begin assuming duties and responsibilities. On July

1st, all powers shall immediately be transferred over to the newly elected or selected Board.

- C. Members of the Board whose terms have expired or were not re-elected shall continue to discharge the duties of the office until their successor has assumed the associated duties and responsibilities on July 1st.
- D. The new Board Members shall assume their duties and responsibilities as a single unit on July 1st. No partial and/or interim seating is allowed. Where a single challenge to a single seat has not been resolved, the rest of the Board cannot be seated. It is assumed the incumbent Board will set the agenda for the July meetings, pursuant to the Neighborhood Councils' bylaws.
- E. The Board shall have an organization meeting in the month of July (if applicable). The organization meeting is for the purpose of electing Board Officers, as one example of possible action Neighborhood Councils may take at organization meetings.
- F. Should a Board seat become vacant after the election; the Board shall fill the vacancy pursuant to the Neighborhood Council's bylaw.
- G. The administration of the oath is conducted in a manner determined by the Board. This process is ceremonial and has no effect on when the term of office officially begins, unless indicated in the bylaws.
- H. Where a regularly scheduled meeting is not scheduled to commence the newly elected Board in July, EmpowerLA may choose to call a regular or special meeting, pursuant to the aforementioned criteria for the certification of the election and in accordance with applicable meeting laws, policies, procedures, and rules. In these circumstances, EmpowerLA may choose to preside over the meeting where the first order of business may be to hold an organization meeting, if applicable. EmpowerLA has the discretion to identify an independent third party to administer and preside over the meeting. Any leftover business from the outgoing Board will be acted upon by the newly elected Board Members.
- K. Newly elected or re-elected Board Members shall be aware that once elected, their participation in the Board matters shall be subject to the State's open meetings laws (Brown Act) commencing from the time the election is certified by the Office of the City Clerk even if it precedes the date they assume their duties and responsibilities (please refer back to section A for detailed information).

EmpowerLA staff can work with the outgoing Board to craft the agenda for the regular or special meeting to ensure a smooth transition between the outgoing and incoming Board Members. Any leftover business from the outgoing Board will be acted upon by the newly-elected Board Members. The outgoing Board is encouraged to consult with EmpowerLA to prepare the agenda for the regular or special meeting to ensure a smooth transition between the outgoing and incoming Board Members. Boards

anticipating quorum issues for any reason may request EmpowerLA manage the Board meetings using available tools in order to allow the Board to conduct business.

Additionally, as a best practice for the transition of Board Members, incumbent Board Members are encouraged to establish a mentoring relationship with newly elected Board Members and consult with them on items to be discussed before the Board. As a reminder, the Brown Act applies once the certification of elections is completed as described. Although the oath of office is not required, EmpowerLA encourages Neighborhood Councils to welcome the newly elected or re-elected leaders in a celebratory manner.

Effective date: 4/1/21. This policy will be effective April 1, 2021, and will be applicable thereafter. In order to provide Neighborhood Councils the opportunity to implement a transition, Neighborhood Councils shall, only in 2021, be given the option to seat Board Members pursuant to the provisions of this 2021 policy or the provisions of the [2019 Board Seating Policy](#). Boards choosing to move forward in 2021 using the new policy will need to take board action to confirm the Board's preference on this subject. Unless board action is taken, prior to the final certification of election results to move forward using the 2021 policy or to support uniform seating of Neighborhood Council board members effective July 1 and ending June 30, the 2019 policy shall apply.

Revisions: rev. 4/19/2019, 4/1/21

Relevant Sources: [Admin Code Section 20.36 \(b\)](#); [authorities of Board of Neighborhood Commissioners](#), ([LA City Charter, Section 902](#)); [Brown Act FAQs](#), [April 2019 Neighborhood Council Board Seating Policy](#), [Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Leadership Policy 2020-01-30](#).

Agenda Item 21-0052- Discussion and possible action on approving an NPG for Haynes Elementary School in the amount of \$875.00 to purchase an engraved bench for creating as part of a memorial

Haynes Charter for Enriched Studies

Last December 2020, we lost one of our beloved and well respected teachers, Mr. Canedo. All our students feel they never had a chance to say their goodbyes and are looking for ways to remember him. His absence has been very hard on our student body, our staff and our community. In celebration of his life we wanted to dedicate a beautiful part of our campus to him and put an engraved bench there for the students and the faculty to use at all times to remember him and passing down his immeasurable contribution to our school and our community. Thank you for helping us celebrating this great educator's legacy.

NPG Amount \$875.00