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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, September 7, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. de Toledo High School, 22622 Vanowen Street, West Hills 91307

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This meeting is open to the public. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Comments on matters not on the agenda will be heard during the Public Comment period. Those who wish to speak on an agenda item will be heard when the item is considered

Opening Business	7:00 P.M.
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Call to Order	Co-Chairs: Mrs. Charlene Rothstein
	Dr. Faye Barta
Roll Call – Establish Quorum	Secretary: Mr. Brad Vanderhoof
Pledge of Allegiance	Co-Chair: Dr. Faye Barta
Induction new board member into the WHNC	
Board of Directors	
Ms. Randhara Kotuwelle	Mrs. Charlene Rothstein, Co-Chair
1715. Randhara Rotawone	Dr. Faye Barta, Co-Chair
Opening Business Continued	
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Approve Meeting Minutes August 3, 2023	Secretary: Mr. Brad Vanderhoof
Senior Lead Officer Report	SLO Garza
Somor Zono Cinion Report	SLO Gutierrez
Treasurer's Report	Treasurer: Mrs. Carolyn Greenwood
Controller's Report	Controller: Mr. Saif Mogri
Comments From the Co-Chair(s)	Co-Chairs: Mrs. Charlene Rothstein
	Dr. Faye Barta
Announcements	
Office of Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel	Mr. Jack Trent-Dorfman, Field Representative
Council District 12	Mr. Josh Yeager, Senior Legislative Deputy
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment	Ms. Prabhjot Chamber
Los Angeles County Supervisor District 3	TBD
LAUSD District 3	TBD
Budget Advocates	Mr. Glenn Bailey

Public Comment Comments & statements from stakeholders or interested parties on subjects NOT on this meeting's agenda. *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.*	Co-Chair: Dr. Faye Barta
Certificates of Appreciation	
Doris and Greg Freisen	Mr. Glenn Jennings, Board Member
Council Announcements	
Committee & Liaison Reports	West Hills Neighborhood Council
Old Business	
23-0060 - Discussion and possible action to approve the amended WHNC 2023 -2024 budget to include rollover in the amount of \$4,861.91 (5 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Carolyn Greenwood, Co-Chair Budget Committee Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair Budget Committee
New Business	
23-0064 - Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the WHNC's July 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (3 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Carolyn Greenwood, Co-Chair Budget Committee Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair Budget Committee
23-0065 – Discussion and possible action regarding the use of Pomelo Community Charter School located at 7633 March Avenue, West Hills 91304 for the WHNC Youth & Education and Public Health monthly committee meetings. (5 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Charlene Rothstein, Co-Chair
23-0066 - Discussion and possible action, including a Community Impact Statement regarding submitting a Council File 23-0799, City Council Meetings / Van Nuys City Hall/Resume Pre-Pandemic Regular Schedule (10 Minutes Max)	Ms. Clarice Chavira, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee Mrs. Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee
23-0067 - Discussion and possible action, including a Community Impact Statement regarding submitting a Council File 23-0846 Cashless Retail Business Ban. (10 Minutes Max)	Ms. Clarice Chavira, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee Mrs. Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee
Adjournment	

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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

BOARD ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 3, 2023
Revised August 4, 2023

The Board shall take official action by a simple majority of yes and no votes cast by the Directors present at a duly noticed regular or special Board meeting, not to include abstentions. There shall be no proxy voting.

PRESENT: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Sandi Bell, Clarice Chavira, Carolyn Greenwood, Glenn Jennings, Vinura Kotuwelle, Saif Mogri, Mark Neudorff, Penelope Newmark, Joe Ourfalian, Steve Randall, Bill Rose, Char Rothstein, Miriam Schimmel, Myrl Schreibman, Ryan Taylor, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

ABSENT: Ian Afazeli, Sriya Datla, Kent Mariconda, Jonathan Marvisi, Alejandro Phillips, Azarine Rushenas, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb

President Charlene Rothstein called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM.

Secretary Brad Vanderhoof called roll and established quorum.

Vice President Faye Barta led the Pledge of Allegiance

Senior Lead Officer Report: SLO Gutierrez said the illegal street vendor on Platt has no permit. They were cited and had their vehicle impounded for blocking the bike lane. She also said she noticed two vendors by the Fallbrook Mall and will investigate when she leaves the meeting. At the Fallbrook Mall theft from stores is up and an extra patrol has been added. The RVs on Nevada Avenue are legally parked but the LAPD is working to find a solution. Last week a female was assaulted while waiting for a bus at the stop in front of Platt Village. This is the same stop where a Metro driver was stabbed. Extra patrols have been added.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Greenwood gave the report and said the June expenses were the usual office expenses. As of June 30 the net available was \$4861.91 and this will probably be the rollover amount.

23-0058 - Approval of the WHNC's June 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER):

Aida Abkarians – Yes	Ian Afazeli – Absent	Faye Barta – Yes
Sandi Bell – Yes	Clarice Chavira – Yes	Carolyn Greenwood – Yes
Glenn Jennings – Yes	Vinura Kotuwelle – Yes	Kent Mariconda – Absent
Jonathan Marvisi – Absent	Saif Mogri – Yes	Mark Neudorff – Yes
Joe Ourfalian – Yes	Penelope Newmark – Yes	Alejandro Phillips – Absent
Steve Randall – Yes	Bill Rose – Ineligible	Char Rothstein – Yes
Miriam Schimmel – Yes	Myrl Schreibman – Abstain	Ryan Taylor – Yes
Ioan Trent – Yes	Brad Vanderhoof – Yes	Ioanne Yvanek-Garh - Absent

Yes – 17, No – 0, Abstain -- 1, Absent – 5, Ineligible – 1, Recusal – 0

The June 2023 MER is approved.

Controller's Report: Saif Mogri gave the report which matches the figures from the City Clerk. July spending was \$1949.73 and includes badges and meeting name plates.

Comments from the Co-Chair(s): None

Announcements:

Office of Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel: President Rothstein read some remarks from Jack Kent-Dorfman. August 31 is the last day for Bills to pass both houses and be sent to the Governor. Assembly Bill 418 concerns the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) and would ban five chemicals already banned in much of the world.

Council District 12: Colin Crews, District Director, said LA County Animal Shelters no longer require appointments for adoption. Additional funding has been allocated for LAPD Topanga Division.

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Prabhjot Chamber, Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, discussed the onboarding training schedule and said the sessions are open to all Board members. She encouraged Board members to attend the Congress of Neighborhoods.

Budget Advocates: President Rothstein read some remarks from Glenn Bailey. A Budget retreat will be held August 19 starting 9:30 AM at the West Los Angeles Municipal Building.

Public Comment: Jeff Sacher read a statement about stakeholders' right to transparency and said he is opposed to secret ballots for NC officer elections. Chris Rowe spoke about an appeal to the California Supreme Court of a lawsuit against DTSC which was denied.

New Business:

23-0059 - Filling a vacant seat on the West Hills Neighborhood Council Board vacated by Bryan Newman: Neither of the two candidates; Randhara Kotuwelle, Jason Lally, were physically present at the meeting. Randhara Kotuwelle attended via Zoom.

Myrl Schreibman made a motion to postpone. Joan Trent seconded.

Steve Randall said the meeting notification to candidates was not done in a timely manner.

Aida Abkarians - No	Ian Afazeli - Absent	Faye Barta - No
Sandi Bell - No	Clarice Chavira - No	Carolyn Greenwood - No
Glenn Jennings - No	Vinura Kotuwelle - Abstain	Kent Mariconda – Absent
Jonathan Marvisi - Absent	Saif Mogri - No	Mark Neudorff - No
Joe Ourfalian – No	Penelope Newmark – No	Alejandro Phillips - Absent
Steve Randall - No	Bill Rose - No	Char Rothstein - Yes
Miriam Schimmel - No	Myrl Schreibman - Abstain	Ryan Taylor - No
Joan Trent - No	Brad Vanderhoof - No	Joanne Yvanek-Garb- Absent

Yes -1, No -16, Abstain -2, Absent -5, Ineligible -0, Recusal -0 The motion to postpone fails.

Steve Randall said the Ad Hoc Vacancy Committee voted to recommend Randhara Kotuwelle by a vote of four (4) Yes and one (1) Abstention.

Vote to fill the vacancy on the WHNC Board of Directors.

RK – Randhara Kotuwelle JL – Jason Lally

Aida Abkarians - RK Sandi Bell - RK Glenn Jennings - RK Jonathan Marvisi - Absent Joe Ourfalian – RK Steve Randall - RK Miriam Schimmel - RK Joan Trent - RK

Ian Afazeli - Absent Clarice Chavira - RK Vinura Kotuwelle - Abstain Saif Mogri - RK

Brad Vanderhoof – RK

Carolyn Greenwood - RK Kent Mariconda – Absent Mark Neudorff - RK

Penelope Newmark – RK Alejandro Phillips - Absent Bill Rose - RK Char Rothstein - RK Myrl Schreibman - Abstain

Ryan Taylor - RK

Faye Barta - RK

Joanne Yvanek-Garb- Absent

Randhara Kotuwelle – 17 Jason Lally – 0 Abstain - 2Absent - 5

Randhara Kotuwelle is the newest member of the WHNC Board of Directors.

23-0060 - Approval of the amended WHNC 2023 -2024 budget to include rollover in the amount of \$4,861.91: Treasurer Carolyn Greenwood said there has been no official confirmation of the rollover amount.

Item tabled to September.

23-0061 - Approve of the paying of an invoice in the amount of \$210.00 to El Camino Charter High School for use of the facility for the WHNC elections held on June 18, 2023: Carolyn Greenwood said this was previously approved but since the invoice came in the new fiscal year it requires approval again.

Aida Abkarians - Yes	Ian Afazeli - Absent	Faye Barta - Yes
Sandi Bell – Yes	Clarice Chavira – Yes	Carolyn Greenwood - Yes
Glenn Jennings - Yes	Vinura Kotuwelle - Yes	Kent Mariconda – Absent
Jonathan Marvisi - Absent	Saif Mogri - Yes	Mark Neudorff - Yes
Joe Ourfalian – Yes	Penelope Newmark – Yes	Alejandro Phillips - Absent
Steve Randall - Yes	Bill Rose – Ineligible	Char Rothstein - Yes
Miriam Schimmel - Yes	Myrl Schreibman - Yes	Ryan Taylor - Yes
Joan Trent - Yes	Brad Vanderhoof – Yes	Joanne Yvanek-Garb- Absent

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -5, Ineligible -1, Recusal -0The invoice is approved for payment.

23-0062 – Approval of the Special Events Committee's Event Approval Request and Budget in the amount of \$825.00 for the 2023 -2024 Halloween House Event:

Aida Abkarians - Yes Sandi Bell - Yes Glenn Jennings - Yes Jonathan Marvisi - Absent Joe Ourfalian – Yes Steve Randall - Yes Miriam Schimmel - Yes Joan Trent - Yes

Ian Afazeli - Absent Clarice Chavira - Yes Vinura Kotuwelle - Yes Saif Mogri - Yes

Penelope Newmark – Yes Bill Rose - Ineligible Myrl Schreibman - Yes

Brad Vanderhoof - Yes

Faye Barta - Yes

Carolyn Greenwood - Yes Kent Mariconda – Absent

Mark Neudorff - Yes

Alejandro Phillips - Absent

Char Rothstein - Yes Ryan Taylor - Yes

Joanne Yvanek-Garb- Absent

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -5, Ineligible -1, Recusal -0 The Event Request and Budget are approved.

23-0063 – Appointment of Myrl Schreibman and Steve Randall as co-chairs of the Streets & Transportation Committee: Mryl Schreibman withdrew his name from consideration.

Vote to confirm the nomination of Steve Randall as Chair of the Streets and Transportation Committee

Aida Abkarians - Yes	Ian Afazeli - Absent	Faye Barta - Yes
Sandi Bell - Yes	Clarice Chavira - Yes	Carolyn Greenwood - Yes
Glenn Jennings - Yes	Vinura Kotuwelle - Yes	Kent Mariconda – Absent
Jonathan Marvisi - Absent	Saif Mogri - Yes	Mark Neudorff - Yes
Joe Ourfalian – Yes	Penelope Newmark – Yes	Alejandro Phillips - Absent
Steve Randall - Yes	Bill Rose - Yes	Char Rothstein - Yes
Miriam Schimmel - Yes	Myrl Schreibman – Yes	Ryan Taylor - Yes
Joan Trent - Yes	Brad Vanderhoof - Yes	Joanne Yvanek-Garb- Absent

Yes -19, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -5, Ineligible -0, Recusal -0 Steve Randall is Chair of the WHNC Streets and Transportation Committee.

President Rothstein said next Tuesday is a very important Zoning and Planning meeting concerning the Chaminade expansion.

President Char Rothstein adjourned the meeting at 8:38 PM.

NC Fiscal Year Administrative Packet

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West Hills Annual Budget for Fiscal Year: 202	hborhood Council 3-2024
Annual Budget Funds	\$32,000.00
Rollover Funds*	\$ 4,861.91
Total Annual Budget F	Funds \$36,861.91

Office/Operational Expenditures Category		
Misc. Expense	\$ 519.00	
Rent	\$ 5.00	
Committee Printing	\$ 369,00	
P.O. Box	\$ 430.00	
AppleOne	\$ 17,974.95	
Go Daddy	\$ 21.17	
Web Corner	\$ 1,800.00	
Rack Space	\$ 830.54	
I Contact	\$ 602.40	
Total Office/Operational Expenditures	\$ 22,552.06	

^{*}The Funding Program will notify each NC of their Fiscal Year closing balance including available rollover funds and/or applicable adjustment, if any, approximately August 1st or next business day. Depending on when an NC submits its Admin Packet/annual budget, the NC may need to revise and resubmit its annual budget to account for any rollover and/or adjustments.

Outreach Expenditures Category	
Communication	\$ 2,500.00
Beautification	\$ 600.00
Special Events	\$ 5,899.85
Govt. Relations: VANC	\$ 200.00
Budget Advocates	\$ 100.00
Congress	\$ 500.00
Empower LA Awards	\$ 100.00
Homelessness	\$ 500.00
Public Health	\$ 100.00
Total Outreach Expendi	tures \$ 10,499.85

Election Expenditures Category	
Election	\$ 210.00
Total Election Expenditures	\$ 210.00

Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPG) Expenditures Category		
Youth and Education	\$ 3,600.00	
Total NPG Expenditures	\$ 3,600.00	

Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Expenditures Category		
Total CIP Expenditures	0	

TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET ALLOCATIONS	
Office/Operational Expenditures	\$ 22,552.06
Outreach Expenditures	\$ 10,499.85
Election Expenditures	\$ 210.00
General and Operational Expenditures	\$ 33,261.91
Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPG) Expenditures	\$ 3,600.00
Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Expenditures	\$ 36,861.91
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR	

	Item	Committee	Purpose	Budget
	OFFICE			
1		Office	Misc. Expense	\$ 519.00
2		Office	Rent	\$ 5.00
3		Office	Committee Printing	\$ 369.00
4		Office	P.O.Box	\$ 430.00
5		Office	Apple One	\$ 17,974.95
6		Office	Go Daddy	\$ 21.17
7		Board	Web Corner	\$ 1,800.00
8		Board	Rack Space	\$ 830.54
9		Board	I Contact	\$ 602.40
		Office Subtotal		\$ 22,552.06
	OUTREACH			
10		Communication	Outreach	\$ 2,500.00
11		Beautification	Refreshment&Snacks	\$ 600.00
12		Special Events	Outreach	\$ 5,899.85
13		Environment	Outreach	\$ -
14		Govt. Relations	VANC	\$ 200.00
15		Govt. Relations	Budget Advocates	\$ 100.00
16		Govt. Relations	Congress	\$ 500.00
17		Govt. Relations	Empower LA Awards	\$ 100.00
18		Homelessness	Homeless	\$ 500.00
19		Public Safety	Forums	\$ -
20		Streets &Transportation	Outreach	\$ -
21		Public Health		\$ 100.00
22		Elections	Outreach	\$210.00
		Total General & Opera	ntional Expenses	\$33,261.91
	Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPGs)			
23		Youth and Eduction	NPG's	\$ 3,600.00
18A		Homelessness	NPG's	\$ -
	Community Improvement Projects (CIPs)	2.0.0		
20A	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Streets &Transportation	CIP's	\$ -
11A		Beautification	Cleanups	\$ _
11B		Beautification	Special Events	\$ -
	ALLOWED BUDGET			\$ 32,000.00
	Rollover Balance			\$ 4,861.91
	GRAND BUDGET TOTAL			\$ 36,861.91

Monthly Expenditure Report



Reporting Month: July 2023 Budget Fiscal Year: 2023-2024

NC Name: West Hills Neighborhood

Council

Monthly Cash Reconciliation								
Beginning Balance Total Spent Remaining Outstanding Commitments Net Available								
\$32000.00	\$1949.73	\$30050.27	\$1356.60	\$0.00	\$28693.67			

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis						
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available	
Office		\$1949.73		\$1356.60		
Outreach	\$30552.06	\$0.00	\$28602.33	\$0.00	\$27245.73	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Community Improvement Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$1447.94	\$0.00	\$1447.94	\$0.00	\$1447.94	
Funding Requests Under Review: \$0.00		Encumbrances: \$0.00		Previous Expenditures: \$0.00		

	Expenditures							
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total		
1	THE WEB CORNER, INC	07/01/2023	Monthly Maintenance for WHNC	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$150.00		
2	RACKSPACE EMAIL & APPS	07/22/2023	WHNC Board email service	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$70.63		
3	AMZN MKTP US T63155YQ0	07/28/2023	Name tents (holders) for WHNC Board members	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$33.35		
4	APPLEONE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES	07/11/2023	WHNC Executive Assistant	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$1695.75		
	Subtotal:					\$1949.73		

Outstanding Expenditures								
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total		
1	APPLEONE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES	08/07/2023	Executive Assistant	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$1356.60		
	Subtotal: Outstanding							

West Hills Neighborhood Council Controller's Report August 31, 2023

	Item	Committee	Purpose	Budget	Balance	July	Aug	Total Spent
	OFFICE							\$0.00
1		Office	Misc. Expense	\$519.00	\$419.95	\$33.35	\$65.70	\$99.05
2		Office	Rent	\$5.00	\$5.00			\$0.00
3		Office	Committee Printing	\$369.00	\$358.65		\$10.35	\$10.35
4		Office	P.O.Box	\$430.00	\$430.00			\$0.00
5		Office	Apple One	\$17,974.95	\$13,566.00	\$1,695.75	\$2,713.20	\$4,408.95
6		Office	Go Daddy	\$21.17	\$21.17			\$0.00
7		Board	Web Corner	\$1,800.00	\$1,500.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$300.00
8		Board	Rack Space	\$830.54	\$686.73	\$70.63	\$73.18	\$143.81
9		Board	I Contact	\$602.40	\$602.40			\$0.00
								\$0.00
		Office Subtotal		\$22,552.06	\$22,552.06			\$0.00
	OUTREACH							
10		Communication	Outreach	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00			\$0.00
11		Beautification	Refreshment&Snacks	\$600.00	\$600.00			\$0.00
12		Special Events	Outreach	\$5,899.85	\$5,899.85			\$0.00
13		Environment	Outreach	\$3,699.63	\$3,699.63			\$0.00
14		Govt. Relations	VANC	\$200.00	\$200.00			\$0.00
15		Govt. Relations	Budget Advocates	\$100.00	\$100.00			\$0.00
16		Govt. Relations	Congress	\$500.00	\$500.00			\$0.00
17		Govt. Relations	Empower LA Awards	\$100.00	\$100.00			\$0.00
18		Homelessness	Homeless	\$500.00	\$500.00			\$0.00
19		Public Safety	Forums	φ200.00	φ200.00			ψο.σο
20		Streets&Transportation	Outreach	\$0.00				
21		Public Health		\$100.00	\$100.00			\$0.00
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		Outreach Total			,			
22		Elections	Elections	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$210.00	\$210.00
		Total Spent						

West Hills Neighborhood Council Controller's Report August 31, 2023

	Item	Committee	Purpose	Budget	Balance	July	Aug	Total Spent
	Neighborhood							
	Purpose Grants							
	(NPG's)							
								1.000
23		Youth and Eduction	NPG's	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00			\$0.00
18A		Homelessness	NPG's					
		Total						\$0.00
	Community							
	Improvement							
	Projects (CIP's)							
20A		Streets&Transportation	CIP's					
24		Beautification	Cleanups					\$0.00
25		Beautification	Special Events					
	GRAND TOTAL			\$36,861.91	\$31,689.75	\$1,949.73	\$3,222.43	\$5,172.16
	ALLOWED BUD	OGET		\$32,000.00				
26	Clean Street Gra	nt		\$1,324.83				
	Rollover			\$4,861.91				
	GRAND TOTAL			\$36,861.91				

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

MOTION

I move that the City Council instruct the General Services Department and Security Services to report back in 30 days on the infrastructure and safety upgrades necessary to resume its pre-pandemic regular schedule by January 1, 2024 for Council meetings in Van Nuys.

PRESENTED BY:

IMELDA PADILLA

Councilmember, 6th District

PAUL KREKORIAN

Councilman, 2nd District

SECONDED BY:

JOHN S. LEE

Councilman, 12th District

MOTION TRAVEL AND TOURISM

There is no doubt that it is in the City's interest to empower all of our residents to participate in the City's economic life, including for all our consumers to purchase goods and services. However for many City residents (for example, those who are denied access to credit, or who are unable to obtain bank accounts), the ability to engage in consumer transactions depends on the ability to pay for goods and many services in cash. This is especially true of the very poor.

Millions of Americans do not hold bank accounts, or otherwise fall outside the non-cash financial system. Some do this by choice, because they are concerned about privacy and do not want their every financial transaction recorded by banks and credit card companies; physical cash remains the most accessible anonymous medium of exchange in this country. Others may not be able to participate in the formal banking system, or may be excluded from that system against their will. By barring the use of cash as a payment method means excluding too many people.

According to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), in 2017, 17% of all African-American households and 14% of all Latino households in the U.S. had no bank account. These numbers may be much higher in Los Angeles where many African-American and Latino households are un-banked. Not accepting cash payment in the marketplace systematically excludes segments of the population that are largely low-income people of color. Cashless business practices may also have significant detrimental impacts on young people who do not meet age requirements for credit cards, for the elderly (many of whom have not transitioned to credit and digital payment modes at the same rate as younger generations), and for other vulnerable groups (such as homeless and immigrant populations).

The City must remain vigilant in ensuring that our economy is inclusionary and accessible to everyone. In order to ensure that all City residents — including those who lack access to other forms of payment — are able to participate in the City's economic life we should adopt an ordinance that allows them to pay cash for goods and many services.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney be requested to prepare and present an ordinance, similar to one enacted by San Francisco, which would ban cashless retail businesses in Los Angeles.

PRESENTED BY:

HEATHER HUTT

Councilwoman, 10th District

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