



**COMMUNITY IMPACT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**
Wednesday, November 19, 2014, 7:00 P.M.

1. Welcome and Introductions.
2. Call to order and roll call:

Eric Garcia (chair) (EG)	P
Robert Newman (co-chair) (RN)	P
Patti Berman (PB)	P
Michael Eisman (ME)	P
James Todd (JT)	NP
Ashley Stracke (AS)	NP

3. Chair's report
 - 3.1 Update on Council File 14-0223: Imposing Living Wage / Hotel Employees / Hotels with 100 Rooms or more / Citywide Economic Impacts / Study and Public Input. Discussion of new ordinance that was passed by City Council increasing wages to hotel workers.
 - 3.2 Update on last DLANC Board Meeting: ME and RN indicated that they may attend the upcoming sidewalk summit.
 - 3.3 Update on Outreach efforts: Neighboring NCs and CD 14: EG has coordinated efforts with neighboring councils to exchange information regarding council files. Glassell Park, Boyle Heights, and Eagle Rock Neighborhood Councils expressed interest in participating in the effort.
 - 3.4 Training on City Clerk's Council File Management System: Postponed to next meeting.
4. First Public comment opportunity: No comment.
5. Old Community Impact Committee ("CIC") Business:
 - 5.1 Council File 14-1062: Vending and Camping in Public Parks / Prohibitions / Penalties for Violation / Ordinance Amendment. Review, discuss, and revise draft Community Impact Statement ("CIS") regarding the prohibition of unpermitted commercial vending and camping in parks.

MOTION: The CIC shall approve the draft CIS concerning Council File 14-1062 [see CIS_14-1062_CIC_2014_11_19.pdf]

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

MOTION TO AMEND CIS with edits to first portion of CIS.

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	N
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 3; No = 1; Abstain = 0

OUTCOME: MOTION TO AMEND PASSES

MOTION AS AMENDED to adopt edits to first portion of CIS.

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

Eric Garcia	Y
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Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	N
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 3; No = 1; Abstain = 0

OUTCOME: MOTION AS AMENDED PASSES

MOTION TO AMEND CIS with edits to second portion of CIS.

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	Y
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 4; No = 0; Abstain = 0

OUTCOME: MOTION TO AMEND PASSES

MOTION AS AMENDED to adopt edits to second portion of CIS.

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	Y
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 4; No = 0; Abstain = 0

OUTCOME: MOTION AS AMENDED PASSES

- 5.2 Council File 14-0593: Sharing Economy / Comprehensive Study Report / Working Group. Review, discuss, and revise draft CIS regarding proposed regulation of AirBnB and other sharing economy-related services. See 14-0593_Sharing_Economy_CF_Record.pdf.

MOTION: The CIC shall approve the draft CIS concerning Council File 14-0593.

Presented by EG; Seconded by ME

Discussion from the public and committee members regarding taxing schemes (hotels may not be taxed, may want to request similar treatment to property owners); there are 300 short term rentals in DTLA; short term rentals may be more lucrative than normal rentals; assess impact on affordable housing; current city statutes make short term rentals (under 30 days) illegal; issue regarding inconsistent information from local government – City Finance wants to tax this activity but building and zoning regulations render the activity illegal; City needs regulations for the sharing economy industry and not just AirBnB (*compare* San Francisco regulations which only allow AirBnB to operate; *with* Palm Springs which allows more companies to operate); issues relating to property owners renting versus renters renting can be handled via lease agreements, and do not need to be part of the regulatory scheme; note that it may be difficult for individuals to navigate regulatory schemes so offloading responsibility may be more practical. The CIC stated that a survey was not needed, as there appeared to be sufficient community input at the meeting and there will be additional opportunities for the CIC to solicit further community input. ME to review information from LASTRA.

MOTION TO POSTPONE to next CIC meeting.

Motion EG, Second ME

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	Y
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 4; No = 0; Abstain = 0

OUTCOME: MOTION TO POSTPONE PASSES

- 5.3 Disabled Placard Abuse: Discussion of placard abuse and action to take. PB stated that she is doing research regarding this issue and would like to address this issue in response to CF 14-1529. EG volunteered to assist in identifying other state statutes that are directed to addressing placard abuse.
- 5.4 Police Outreach: Discussion of outreach efforts to discuss safety issues involving Fifth and Broadway and jaywalking enforcement. RN to bring LAPD to our next meeting. Alternative, RN may schedule a meeting at the station or star apartments. Regarding crackdown on jaywalking, PB and EG will propose the use of scramble crosswalks in DTLA. The proposal will provide an estimate of costs, traffic signal reprogramming, and identify high priority intersections such as: Sixth and Spring, Seventh and Fig., Grand and Seventh, Olympic and Fig, Pico & Fig, Seventh and Hill and other intersections that are discussed in the VISION plan.
- 6. New Business
 - 6.1 Council File 14-1371: Establishment of Minimum Wage in Los Angeles / Ordinance. Review, discuss, and determine whether the Committee should draft CIS. The CIC discussed whether to submit a CIS on this issue and it was agreed that it would proceed with drafting a CIS in support of the council file.
 - 6.2 Council File 14-1198: Unmanned Aerial Systems aka Drones / Designated Areas / Restriction of Operation. Review, discuss, and determine whether the Committee should draft CIS. The CIC agreed to monitor the council file for the proposed regulations and will provide input at that time. Some members are concerned with the use of drones by LAPD, but the CIC in general appeared to appreciate the use of drones in filming and the reduction of low-flying and hovering helicopters. EG to monitor council file.
 - 6.3 Council File 14-1303: Prohibition of Buying and Selling of Public Parking Spaces. Review, discuss, and determine whether the Committee should draft CIS. The CIC agreed that it would submit a CIS in support of the council file.
 - 6.4 Council File 14-1529: Disabled Parking Spaces / Blue Curb Installation Program. Review, discuss, and determine whether the Committee should draft CIS. The CIC stated that the issue the council file is intended to address are more applicable to other areas of the City. The issue in DTLA is placard abuse. The CIC will draft a CIS opposing the council file and will raise the issue of placard abuse as being a significant contributor to the issue of limited ADA parking.
- 7. Member comment: No comment.
- 8. Second Public comment opportunity. No comment.
- 9. **MOTION: The CIC shall approve the CIC’s Meeting Minutes from the August 27, 2014, and October 1, 2014 meetings.**

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	Y
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 4; No = 0; Abstain = 0

OUTCOME: MOTION PASSES

MOTION: The CIC shall approve the CIC’s Meeting Minutes from the October 22 meeting.

Presented by EG; Seconded by RN

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	Y
Patti Berman	A

Michael Eisman	Y
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Yes = 3; No = 0; Abstain = 1

OUTCOME: MOTION PASSES

10. Adjournment.

Presented by ME; Seconded by PB

Eric Garcia	Y
Robert Newman	A
Patti Berman	Y
Michael Eisman	Y

Yes = 3; No = 0; Abstain = 1

OUTCOME: Meeting Adjourned