



## **North Hollywood North East Neighborhood Council**

### **COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF COUNCIL FILE 23-1277**

*Critical Infrastructure Inventory / Safe Barriers / Encampment Fires / Freeways / High Fire Severity Zones / Environmentally Sensitive Areas*

**December 13, 2023**

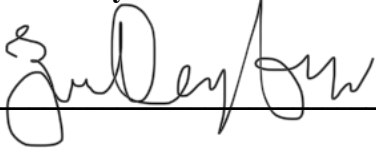
The North Hollywood North East Neighborhood Council (NHNENC) fully supports this motion. ([CF 23-1277](#))

As the City's homelessness crisis has grown exponentially, our freeway underpasses and overpasses, bridges, tunnels, and other transportation infrastructure have become a focal point. While these locations may provide shade and shelter from the elements, they are incompatible with human habitation. Open flames, gas tanks and generators, excessive personal belongings, trash, and other flammable and hazardous materials in these encampments are not uncommon. When fires in and around our critical infrastructure occur, the lives, health and safety of those living in encampments at those locations, as well as the lives and safety of our City's first responders, are significantly jeopardized.

The NHNENC respectfully requests that the City should consider enacting legislation that would create safe barriers around our City's critical infrastructure, very high fire severity zones (as established pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 57.4911.1.1 et seq.), and environmentally sensitive areas.

Thank you,

**North Hollywood North East Neighborhood Council**

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**Board Vote Count:** Aye 6 Nay 0 Abstain 1 Recused 0

**Motion Status:** Passed X Failed \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_