



# COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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At the recent public meeting of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council, the following resolution was passed by the Board of Directors:

## **CIP 20-0692, Los Angeles Police Department Budget Cut / Disadvantaged and Communities of Color Reinvestment**

### **Motion recommending preservation of budget items associated with environmental issues**

*Whereas* Los Angeles County residents living in areas with higher levels of poverty and people of color suffer from Coronavirus infection rates and deaths at significantly greater numbers than white residents and residents in the wealthier parts of the County. *Whereas* the most economically disadvantaged areas of Los Angeles and areas with greater racial diversity are the areas suffering the greatest environmental injustices and are located in closest proximity to industrial areas, oil processing operations, and freight transportation.

*Whereas* such areas of environmental injustice suffer higher per capita rates of asthma, cardio-pulmonary disease, cancer, and other medical conditions known to increase Coronavirus infection rates and morbidity.

*Therefore be it resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council recommends that our Councilman Joe Buscaino and Mayor Eric Garcetti work to compel the City of Los Angeles to preserve all budget allocations associated with City Agencies directly engaged in environmental issues (including Urban Forestry, Parks and Recreation, Transportation, and the Environmental departments of the Harbor Departments). (*Reference the Council File/Community Impact Statement 20-0692.*)

*Further be it resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council recommends that our Supervisor Janice Hahn work to compel the County of Los Angeles to preserve all budget allocations associated with County offices directly engaged in environmental issues.

Motion by **Richard Havenick** to approve a Resolution recommending preservation of budget items associated with environmental issues, second by **Kathleen Martin**, and passed with 14 yes (Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Herman, Hernandez, Kohn, Kopczynski, Martin, Muthuswamy, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, 1 abstention (Cade), and 1 left meeting (Ross).

Please contact Richard Havenick, Chair of the CSPNC Environment & Sustainability Committee, at 310-918-8650 should you have any questions related to this letter.

Sincerely,

Doug Epperhart, President  
On behalf of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board