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Request for Action Letter

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Budged Request to Restore Neighborhood Council Funds to Pre-Covid Level of \$42,000

Dear Councilmember Lee and Mayor Bass,

The Covid 19 pandemic forced broad cuts across the City Departments including our 99 Neighborhood Councils from \$42,000 to \$32,000. With City Revenues returning to pre-pandemic levels, it would be prudent to restore the Neighborhood Council budgets so they can continue doing their very important work at normal funding levels. As Neighborhood Councils are now required to meet in person and or hybrid and events of the past are returning, there will be additional funding needs as well necessitating our pre-pandemic funding levels to return.

The Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council helped fund important projects not covered by the City Budget such as the LAPD Devonshire Division Senior Lead Officer trailer remodel, reception, and detective area remodel and for LAFD to purchase, repair and maintain needed equipment and tools, NPG;s to non-profits including Schools, community based organizations doing important work in our communities addressing issues like homelessness, litter abatement, and supporting educational programs etc.. The Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council helped save the City money and resources by funding backlogged projects such as our stump removal project, dead tree removal and tree trimming as well as our brush removal project / fire prevention project in Limekiln Canyon and Wilbur Tampa park.

Neighborhood Council's know their communities well and provide the leadership needed to improve our City, providing solutions to our most challenging issues. Thank you for considering this important request to return Neighborhood Council budgets to \$42,000. We look forward to working in collaboration with Councilmember Lee and the Mayor's Office.

Respectfully Yours,

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Gabriel Khanlian, PRNC President

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