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Community Impact Statement



TITLE: [Council File 22-1469 \(LA CITY BIODIVERSITY INDEX / CALIFORNIA NATIVE LANDSCAPING / POLLINATOR-FRIENDLY / MONARCH BUTTERFLY / PLANT AND TREE RECOVERY\)](#)

COMMITTEE: Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (TI&S) Committee

POSITION: SUPPORT IF AMENDED

THE MOTION: The Mar Vista Community Council supports this council file if amended. While we applaud the city for prioritizing efforts to regain biodiversity and recover native species, the motion is too drastic a step for this moment. We support the motion if the final paragraph is removed in its entirety and the words "commercial and residential" are removed from the paragraph starting, "I further move that the City Attorney..."

BACKGROUND: This file has been under consideration since 2022. Our belief is that this council file has languished due to its broad language. The final paragraph that we recommend removing states:

"I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council request the City Attorney draft an ordinance banning citywide by 2025 the sale of non-native plants and trees in stores, nurseries, wholesalers, and from other entities that sell landscaping plants."

The paragraph that we recommend editing and removing the words, "commercial and residential", states:

"I FURTHER MOVE that the City Attorney, in partnership with the Department of City Planning, be requested to draft in 120 days a land use and permitting ordinance requiring that citywide only 100% California native plants and trees be planted for all uses, governmental, commercial and residential."

DIRECTED TO: City Council and Committees, including the Energy and Environment Committee, the Economic, Community Development and Jobs Committee, and the Public Works Committee

Katy Yaroslavksy and CD5

Traci Park and CD11



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ACTION/VOTE COUNT:

MVCC T&I Committee meeting, November 6th, 2024

Motion of support moved by Kuhns, seconded by Meuser

Motion of support approved by MVCC TI&S Committee 7Y-1N-1A

MVCC Board Meeting, January 24th, 2024

Motion of support moved by Director XXX, seconded by Director XXX

Motion of support approved by the MVCC Board XX-XX-XX

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