

Title: Overnight Beach Curfew in Los Angeles	Item No.
Meeting Date: April 03, 2018	
Agendized By: Government Affairs & City Services Committee	
Contact Person: Mark Redick	Phone Number: www.ncwpdr.org
Committee Vote (if appropriate): 3-0	
Does this item have a fiscal impact on the Neighborhood Council? Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	
Additional documents attached? Yes <u>X</u> No ___ Letter to CD-11	

RECOMMENDATION:

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester-Playa opposes the removal of the current Beach Curfew from 12:00am to 5:00am, daily.

BACKGROUND:

For years, beach cities along the California coastline have held hours of curfew along their beaches as a means of controlling crime and maintaining public safety. Los Angeles has been no exception to imposing a curfew, which currently runs from 12:00am until 5:00am, nightly.

DISCUSSION:

Recently, the California Coastal Commission has undertaken deliberations on lifting curfews along California's beaches. This has brought about a great deal of concern from those areas affected. In the 11th Council District, communities affected by the lifting of the curfew would be Pacific Palisades, Venice and Playa del Rey. There is a great deal of concern that lifting the overnight curfew would increase the level of homelessness as well as lawlessness in the beach areas. Making matters more concerning is that the Los Angeles Police Department/Pacific Division lacks the physical manpower and required equipment to make regular patrols along the Playa Del Rey beach area, should the curfew be lifted.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

No direct costs to the Neighborhood Council of Westchester-Playa. However, costs to local property owners for enhanced security systems may be incurred. Relating directly to the City of Los Angeles, essential services such as Police, Fire (including Paramedic) may have to be performed on an accelerated basis, possibly incurring overtime costs to the City.

ATTACHMENTS:

Letter to Mike Bonin, CD-11

MOTION:

That the Neighborhood Council:

“Opposes the removal of the beach curfews, currently from 12:00am until 5:00am, daily.