

Westchester Playa Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement
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We strongly support campaign finance reform outlined in the 2019 January 15 motion from the City Council's Committee on Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations proposing to restrict developer campaign contributions. We also support advancement of this motion to a full City Council vote as soon as possible.

Given the obvious potential for conflicts of interest, in 2011, voters passed Measure H to limit campaign contributions from contractors either doing business or bidding to do business with the City. Likewise, land use decisions represent financially significant stakes for developers and have the potential to invite corruption of influence at City Hall via campaign contributions. We believe transparency and public interest are best served by this new reform and urge its passage.