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On a regularly scheduled board meeting on September 13th, 2022, the DLANC board voted to write an official letter of inaction by the City Clerk Neighborhood Council Funding Department in regards to the fulfillment of the licensing agreement between the City of Los Angeles and Industrious, to facilitate an office space to conduct neighborhood council business according to the Los Angeles Administrative Code 22.801 (o)

“ensure that neighborhood councils have adequate office and meeting space to conduct their business by facilitating the shared utilization of City owned or leased space, coordinating the acceptance and use of donated space by private donors, as well as securing suitable office and meeting space on behalf of certified neighborhood councils. The City Clerk shall have the authority to execute standard short-term rental and lease agreements with a duration of one year or less for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations under this subsection, pursuant to guidelines established by the City Clerk.”

Notably, the responsibilities cited in LAAC 22.801 (o), which originally fell under the scope of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, were delegated to the City Clerk Department through ordinance #175937.

We are issuing this letter of inaction with all due regard, as a warning to all the continuous and unexplained negligence of the tasks and duties assigned to the City Clerk Neighborhood Council Funding Department.

Despite many attempts to cure and correct this issue over the last year and a half, the department has shown little to no progress when it comes to getting tasks done, particularly by Mr. Brill who keeps on delaying assignments and missing self-imposed deadlines.

It is always our intention to be as tolerant as possible with all city departments, as we understand that sometimes circumstances change beyond their control, but we simply can't tolerate deliberate negligence or sluggish behavior. The DLANC board refuses to be part of the City of Los Angeles inaction chain.

It's imminent that the City Clerk leadership considers a dramatic shift in its organizational cultural narrative and changes its perspective towards its job and mission.

Respectfully,

Claudia Oliveira

President, DLANC