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MEMO

Dear neighbors,

We would like to update the community on DLANC's abilities and plans to fund Neighborhood Purpose Grants ("NPG"). All Neighborhood Councils have been operating on a budget of \$32K since City Council reduced NC budgets in 2020. Recent rising costs and inflation have further tightened our financial constraints.

Our current fiscal year budget primarily covers neighborhood improvements, outreach, and operational costs, which encompass fees for renting meeting spaces, maintaining our website, and other essential administrative tasks. Therefore, we cannot fund NPGs for the first half of the fiscal year.

However, there's a possibility of reallocating unspent funds later in the fiscal year. Come February, we will undertake a comprehensive review of DLANC's budget to forecast any end-of-year balances. Should there be surplus funds, we might redirect them toward an NPG.

We urge interested parties to mark their calendars and check back on this website in mid-February. By then, we will provide updates on the potential for funding NPGs.

As downtown stakeholders, we deeply recognize the significance of neighborhood purpose grants and will persistently advocate for increased funding from the City to fund more NPGs. We sincerely appreciate your unwavering dedication to enhancing DTLA!

Warm regards,

Samir Bitar
Treasurer
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