

Title: Hyperion Water Treatment Facility Item No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Meeting date: April 28, 2021  
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Committee Vote (if appropriate): No  
Does this item have a fiscal impact on the Neighborhood Council? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_x\_ No  
Additional documents attached? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_x\_ No

**RECOMMENDATION:**

As the Neighborhood Council we need to take meaningful action to help arrange compensation for affected residents and actively work to prevent this from happening again. The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa should send a letter to City Offices and City Officials demanding action and holding the Hyperion Water Treatment Facility accountable in an effort to mitigate the environmental and financial costs that have burdened our community since the sewage spill last month.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Hyperion sewage spill on July 11, 2021 led to the release of 17 million gallons of sewage into the Santa Monica Bay. The plant is in our NCWP boundaries and our stakeholders have been dealing with a variety of air quality and health issues as a result. The Board of Supervisor, Janice Hahn, demanded a report from Hyperion shortly after the incident. The report detailed missed communication, decentralized safety procedures, shortage of staff, etc. It also uncovered some precautions residents and construction sites might take to ensure this does not happen again. Heal the Bay has raised concerns that significant amounts of partially treated sewage are still being discharged in the 5-mile outfall and are in violation of national environmental pollutant standards. You can find Heal the Bay's continued analysis and updates here:

<https://healthebay.org/july-2021-sewage-spill-in-santa.../>

**DISCUSSION:**

What are the community's demands we need to represent?  
Which offices are the most effective to contact?

- Los Angeles Sanitation & Environment
- City Controller

**FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

Place fiscal analysis narrative here (if appropriate)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Letter Proposal

**MOTION:**

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