

LOCAL POSITIONS GOVERNMENT

LOCAL FINANCES Adopted 2011

Support local transparent municipal budgeting and measures to ensure revenues that are flexible, suitable and sufficient to meet changing local priorities emphasizing equity and fair sharing of the tax burden.

PUBLIC BUSINESS Revised 1979

Support proper conduct of public business requiring open meetings with advance notice and posting of agenda, closing of agenda before meeting, prompt availability of all public records, and sufficient notice of vacancies on boards and commissions prior to appointment.

COMPENSATION OF LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS Adopted 1991

Support of appropriate compensation of local elected officials commensurate with the responsibility inherent in their position.

NATURAL RESOURCES

LAND USE Revised 1989, 2002

Support general plans and ordinances for cities in the Claremont area which include concern for social health, economic health, and an environment beneficial to all life.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT Adopted 1996

Support actions by local government to promote solid waste reduction, including, but not limited to, providing services and information which advocate waste prevention, recycling, composting and green waste programs.

TRANSPORTATION Adopted 1973: revised 1981

Support transportation systems for the Claremont area based on actual need with priority given to environmental, health, social, and safety factors.

WATER Adopted 2006

Support for policies, decisions, and practices that recognize clean and adequate water as essential to human life. Support for public ownership of water rights and utilities as vital public resources to ensure that public goals and purposes are reflected in policies and rates, including the prevention of any future acquisition of water resources by any non-public entity, international cartel, or other private interest or operation.

SOCIAL POLICY

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT WELFARE Adopted 1989

Support for the provision and improvement of accessible and preventive health and welfare services for all children and adolescents and their families in the Claremont Area.

CHILD CARE Adopted 2001

Support policies and programs that ensure all children needing child care will receive quality care in a safe, healthy environment provided by well educated, qualified staff using developmentally appropriate practices.

EDUCATION Revised 1979

Support of sound fiscal and administrative policies which provide sufficient funds for operation expense and capital improvement, long range planning, increased communication between administrations, school boards, and school district residents. Support of an integration policy which encourages desegregation of the public schools, an integrated education experience, and multicultural educational programs.

Added 1983: Support for an educational program which imparts intellectual knowledge and skills, fosters personal growth and creativity, equips students for productive work, and prepares them for responsible citizenship.

HOUSING Adopted 1993, updated 2003 with approval of the Executive Board

Support a proactive position, leading to affordable housing for a wider range of economic levels and family compositions. Support the adoption of an inclusionary Housing Ordinance to compel developers to include affordable units in housing projects.

HUMAN NEEDS Adopted 1993

Support adequate programs which meet human needs including those for seniors, youth, disabled, and individuals of all ages, and the reflection of this commitment in appropriate governmental budgets.

LIBRARY Adopted 1995, reviewed 1996

Support of reliable sources of long term funding for full service public libraries and the strengthening of school library facilities and services.

MENTAL HEALTH Adopted 1984, revised 1995

Support for mental health services, available to all, emphasizing the importance of integrated client services (counseling, schooling, job placement, housing, medical treatment and hospitalization, if necessary) and the use of local, county and client committees for evaluation. We believe in a wide range of services,

WELFARE Adopted 1984

Support for continued and improved supportive services for welfare recipients; dissemination of information, continuation of emergency assistance and General Relief; and in-service training for eligibility and social workers increased.