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*Goal:* Creating a truly transparent / public way to keep track of policy issues/measures and to keep them moving, including a definition of adequate notice for important measures and hearings.

*Ideas:*

The (valid) counter-argument to extended advance notice is that government sometimes has to act quickly, and a blanket 10 or 14 or 30 day rule for public notice would stretch even basic business out beyond what is practical.

What if the NCs, by submitting CISs, effectively “tag” a measure for extended notice? For example:

*Once a measure under consideration has accumulated five Community Impact Statements, Neighborhood Councils must be given a minimum of 14 days notice before a public hearing or other legislative action on that item may occur.*

Not perfect and certainly not bulletproof, but it’s easy to understand, is based on measurable expressions of public concern, wouldn’t slow everything down, and as a benefit might spur NCs to talk to other NCs (“we need you to pass a CIS!”).

Another trigger idea might address significant changes to a measure. For example, on the Sign Ordinance, the PLUM Committee made such drastic changes that it was sent back to CPC. Could a trigger mechanism be built in when issues change so significantly that past submitted CIS statements are no longer valid (but still remain)? NC’s should have a chance to review their positions and submit new statements.

*Neighborhood Councils who have filed CISs must be notified within 72 hours if significant changes\* to a measure occur in a Council committee or Commission hearing. In the event Council files are renumbered or combined, extant CISs must be transferred to the new file.*

\* Probably need to provide examples here.