

Councilmember David Ryu's Discretionary Funds Task Force

When David Ryu took office as our Council District 4 Councilmember, he pledged more transparency to the workings of Council District 4.

All the Council offices receive discretionary funds. These funds are intended to be used in each district to benefit the residents of that district.

CD4 discretionary funds allocated previously have been the subject of concern by CD4 residents. Local news sources have also criticized what they have stated was a misuse of these funds. Councilmember Ryu wanted to ensure that the process of finding and identifying projects and allocating these funds was done in such a way that the process was completely transparent to the CD4 community.

The following is from Councilmember David Ryu's website:

Task Force Key Missions

To advise and review on the use of discretionary fund expenditures.

To craft policies and guidelines to distinguish appropriate use of funds.

To solicit community input and provide recommendations for specific long term discretionary fund projects.

To review and recommend approval or disapproval of previously rescinded discretionary funds.

To advise the Council Office on discretionary funding matters as requested.

In seeking more neighborhood input on how these funds should be utilized, Councilmember Ryu has established an advisory task force to identify projects that will be beneficial to the residents of CD4, and at the same time review funding and prioritize those projects that will receive funds.

Members of the community were appointed to sit on this task force and to take part in this process. It is anticipated that appointees will change from year to year. CPPOA President Krista Michaels served on this task force in its first year.

These meetings are open to the public and the community is invited to attend.

For more information, go to:

http://davidryu.lacity.org/discretionary_funds_task_force