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## **L.A. allots funds to neighborhoods**

The Los Angeles City Council's Budget and Finance Committee approved a funding plan Wednesday that will give each neighborhood council \$50,000 to spend on projects and operations.

The panel forwarded to the City Council a plan that calls for a total of \$3 million to be spent directly by neighborhood councils. Officials expect there will be 60 councils certified and prepared to spend money by the end of this fiscal year.

The funds were reserved in this year's budget but were frozen until a formal spending plan is approved.

The plan also calls for the hiring of six new staff people, at a cost of \$205,000.

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