

MOTION

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY

Through Proposition HHH, the City is allocating up to \$1.2 billion for capital improvements to build permanent supportive housing and homeless services facilities. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) has been shown to be the most appropriate and effective housing intervention for the chronically homeless. PSH not only provides affordable housing, but also includes wraparound services tailored to the needs of the individual or family. These services lead them to stabilized housing and improved health outcomes. PSH units serve the highest acuity tenants having the greatest needs for supportive services.

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) is a central database operated by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority that allows service providers to match available housing services to the most vulnerable among the chronic homeless.


There have been instances in some newly constructed PSH projects where the tenants of the PSH units do not reflect the community of the Service Planning Areas (SPA) they are located in. As the City funds more projects and more units are built and populated, it is necessary to ensure that those in need in the communities where the new developments are located are prioritized to fill the units.

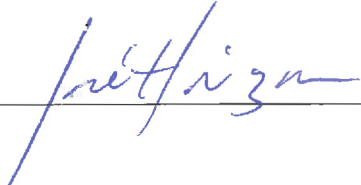
In order to ensure that the tenants of the new Prop HHH funded permanent supportive housing units are housed from the communities they are located in, it is important to have a placement system that prioritizes and serves the individuals in need from those communities.


I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) to report on how LAHSA currently fills the Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units, the demographics of the current PSH placements, and what steps are taken to ensure the units are marketed to the community they are located in;

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council request LAHSA to fill all Proposition HHH funded project units through the Coordinated Entry System utilizing the unit's Service Planning Area and instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department to include this directive in their Prop HHH PSH Loan Program Regulations for next fiscal year.


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