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Given the urgent need to address homelessness, it is important to achieve high performance and maximum impact from the scarce funds available to the City in this area.

The Coordinated Entry System [CES] is an operational design to improve the delivery of homeless services, which has been piloted by providers in the City and which is being broadly embraced. Rather than service providers relying upon separate and sometimes redundant lists of individuals in need, CES allows providers to match available services to a central database identifying the most vulnerable among the chronic homeless. This helps to:

- coordinate among providers in their case management of homeless individuals;
- connect homeless individuals with services most appropriate to the need; and
- reduce red tape and barriers to service for homeless individuals.

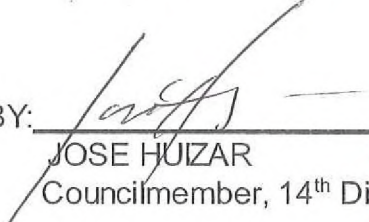
CES is early in its deployment and still being refined, but initial results show great success and future promise.

Over the last five years, the City has financed the construction of 29 Permanent Supportive Housing projects to contribute solutions to homelessness and has an additional 10 Permanent Supportive Housing projects in its pipeline for funding.

Permanent Supportive Housing providers funded by the City should make use of the CES to achieve greater impact and efficiencies.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Housing and Community Investment Department, with input from HACLA and LAHSA, report to Council within 45 days on how funding to house the chronic homeless can be directed to make use of the Coordinated Entry System.

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