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The homelessness crisis in the City of Los Angeles has reached proportions that none of us have previously seen in our lifetimes. Solving this issue will involve commitment from all possible partners working on many fronts, in coordination. Neighborhoods FIRST is a two-pronged effort that leads with compassion to remove barriers to housing and employment for people currently experiencing homelessness while working to prevent those on the edges from slipping into the homeless population. The second prong aims to improve the tools available to communities to alleviate the impacts of homelessness on neighborhoods.

The provisions of the new LAMC Section 85.02 became effective on Saturday, January 7, 2017 and will expire on July 1, 2018 unless extended by ordinance. Section 85.02 states that No person shall use a vehicle for dwelling between the hours of 9:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. on any residential street or at any time within a one block radius of any edge of a lot containing a park or a licensed school, pre-school or daycare facility. The LAPD has been primarily responsible for enforcement of LAMC Section 85.02.

LAMC Section 85.02 has been enforceable for over six months now and the LAPD in general and the LAPD H.O.P.E. teams specifically, have been primarily responsible for the enforcement of Section 85.02. Given the sunset of this ordinance, it is important to hear directly from the LAPD and the H.O.P.E. teams as to the effects of Section 85.02 including successes, failures or possible changes that may be required. An overall understanding of the net effects of the ordinance to date is crucial for future enforcement. Additionally, it is important to hear possible suggestions that may improve section 85.02.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Police Department, specifically the LAPD H.O.P.E. teams, be directed to report to the Public Safety Committee on the net effect that LAMC Section 85.02 has had on Los Angeles City communities, an overview of which aspects of the ordinance have worked and which aspects have not worked as well as suggestions the LAPD may have for improving the ordinance, going forward.

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