



Eric (Roderico) Villanueva <eric.villanueva@lacity.org>

Crisis/bridge housing on Shrader

1 message

Douglas Walker <jondouglaswalker@gmail.com>
To: Eric.Villanueva@lacity.org

Fri, Jun 29, 2018 at 9:03 AM

Dear Councilmember,

As a resident of the area for the last several years as well as someone who has worked with the population living on our streets I can not overemphasize how important this resource is for improving the quality of life for homeless AS WELL AS housed residents and other stakeholders. Any negative consequences to this project should be easily anticipated and managed and pale in comparison to the strain on quality of life that we are currently facing every day.

Sincerely,
Douglas Walker



Eric (Roderico) Villanueva <eric.villanueva@lacity.org>

In Support of the Schrader site for a bridge housing facility - CF 18-0352

1 message

Heather Carmichael <hcarmichael@myfriendsplace.org>
To: Eric.Villanueva@lacity.org

Fri, Jun 29, 2018 at 10:52 AM

Eric,

I apologize that this comes to you late, but I wanted to express My Friend's Place support of the potential bridge housing facility on Schrader here in Hollywood. According to the most recent LAHSA count, Hollywood has 1,681 people experiencing homelessness on any given night with 1318 people experiencing literal homelessness. As a lead provider for youth and young adult experiencing homelessness and the reported increase of 26% of 18-25 year old experiencing homelessness in Hollywood, it is absolutely critical that Hollywood expand its capacity to house its most vulnerable homeless community members.

Thank you in advance for the time, attention and leadership required to end homelessness in our community,
Heather Carmichael

--

Heather Carmichael, LCSW

Executive Director

Office: 323.908.0011 ext.106

Fax: 323.468.1243

www.myfriendsplace.org

Shop **The Corner Collective** online!
The Corner Collective is a gallery space for youth experiencing homelessness to exhibit and sell art, jewelry and design pieces produced entirely through the creative arts programming at My Friend's Place.



My Friend's Place

My Friend's Place is a nonprofit drop-in resource center in Hollywood offering a comprehensive continuum of care, health, educational, and therapeutic services to nearly 1,400 youth experiencing homelessness and their children each

year.

[Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#)

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE: This e-mail message, including any attachments, is for the sole use of the intended recipient(s) and may contain confidential or legally privileged information. Any unauthorized review, use, disclosure or distribution is prohibited. If you're not the intended recipient, please contact the sender by reply e-mail and destroy all copies of this original message.



Shelter Partnership

520 South Grand Avenue, Suite 695 • Los Angeles, CA 90071 • Fax (213) 689-3188 • (213) 688-2188

June 29, 2018

The Honorable Mitch O'Farrell
Los Angeles City Council
Councilmember, 13th District
200 N. Spring Street, Room 450
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: SUPPORT – BRIDGE HOUSING IN HOLLYWOOD AT 1533 SCHRADER BLVD (LOT 649) – COUNCIL FILE NO. 18-0352

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell:

This letter is to indicate Shelter Partnership's strong support for the proposed bridge housing facility in Hollywood located at 1533 Schrader Boulevard (CF No. 18-0352). We applaud the City's and your leadership over the last three years with respect to the issue of homelessness, and agree that urgent action is needed to expand the number of homeless shelters in the City. Each Council District must do its part in this respect given that homelessness is a citywide issue. Otherwise, we will fall far short of our collective goal of ending homelessness.

According to the 2018 Homeless Count results, there were over 3,000 persons experiencing homelessness within your District. In 2017, there were over 1,500 persons experiencing homelessness within Hollywood alone; most of whom were unsheltered. Establishing a much-needed bridge housing facility in Hollywood would provide countless people with assistance in the transition to permanent housing.

Through the passage of Proposition HHH and Measure H, the public has given us a mandate to solve the homeless crisis in our City and County. Proposition HHH provides for \$1.2 billion in construction funds for supportive housing, a *long-term* strategy to provide much needed housing. Measure H provides an estimated \$355 million a year in services to complement HHH, providing the much needed support and services that individuals experiencing homelessness need. However, what is needed immediately is a *short-term, interim* strategy throughout the City to get individuals off the street and engaged with services. Our experience in the field over the last 30 plus years has taught us that it is far easier, and more effective, to engage someone in services when his or her most basic need for shelter has been addressed.

In order to address the short-term need, the Mayor has announced \$30 million to build emergency shelters throughout the City, with a minimum of 15 established by January 2019. With these shelters will come extra services for cleanups and outreach teams for every neighborhood that provides a site. Therefore, by supporting one of these shelters, Hollywood will see a decrease in unsheltered homelessness and an increase in public services.

Once again, we support the use of Lot 649 at 1533 Schrader Boulevard as a bridge housing facility to help solve this crisis. Every neighborhood and community needs to participate throughout the City if we are to achieve the mandates of Proposition HHH and Measure H.

Sincerely,

Ruth Schwartz
Executive Director

A nonprofit organization collaboratively solving homelessness in Los Angeles County through policy analysis, program design, resource development, and advocacy in support of agencies and local governments that serve the homeless.

www.shelterpartnership.org