

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Friday, October 4, 2019 City of Los Angeles Council File 18-0591 Office of the Mayor and City of Los Angeles Councilmembers I am a current stakeholder and both a former Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council Director-at-Large and Historic Highland Park Land Use Committee member. I recently learned from the current Highland Park Neighborhood Council Land Use Committee that the Los Angeles Police Museum located at 6045 York Blvd. in Highland Park is negotiating its current lease for another 30 years. The hours posted for the museum is limited and currently Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10am-4pm. According to the documentation in the council file referenced above the Los Angeles Police Museum has not kept up with the needs of the community. "As part of the original lease conditions, the Los Angeles Police Historical Society, Inc. was to provide meeting space to the public and community groups for meetings and other gatherings. Due to the lease being developed over 20 years ago, the current lease conditions are not consistent with the needs of the community at large. The lease needs to be renegotiated in order to ensure that the building is safe and usable by the public." One of the ways the museum could serve the needs of the community and our ongoing homeless crisis (estimate 400 homeless in Highland Park) is to offer the LA Police Museum parking lot to the Showers of Hope mobile shower unit which brings showers and laundry services to the homeless. The showers are currently being hosted once a week by the All Saints Episcopal Church driveway on Monte Vista Street on Saturday mornings in a residential area next door to apartments with children, homes, and businesses. I feel offering the Showers of Hope the museum parking lot and electricity would give the clients of the showers many of who are families a feeling of safety with the mobile unit out in the open on a big lot in a commercial area - the LA Police Museum premises. I am extremely confident the residents of Highland Park would be supportive. Honestly, a nod to the community would be if the museum would start this outreach to the Showers of Hope right now! Please consider the renegotiation of the Los Angeles Police Museum to include homeless outreach starting with the use of the lot to Showers of Hope. I would also add the lease should be for 10 years and reevaluated every 10 years as the community needs

will likely be different. Sincerely, Monte Vista resident 90042