MOTION

There is a homelessness crisis in the state of California and in the City of Los Angeles. According to the 2018 Point-in-time Homeless Count, there are approximately 31,516 homeless individuals in the City of Los Angeles. There are approximately 23,000 unsheltered homeless individuals in the City.

Council District 15 is proposing three sites to be evaluated for the Crisis and Bridge Housing Program in the Watts, Wilmington, and San Pedro neighborhoods. The first site is a property controlled by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) located at 2316 E. Imperial Highway. The second site is a property controlled by the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) located at 828 Eubank Avenue. The third site is a property controlled by the California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) located at 515 N. Beacon Street.

In order to best address the problem of homelessness in the City, and help homeless individuals make the transition to stable housing, homeless shelter bed capacity should be expanded Citywide. Therefore, staff should be instructed to evaluate the properties and report on their feasibility as crisis and bridge housing.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, the Bureau of Engineering, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, and any other affected City stakeholders, to work with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, the Port of Los Angeles and the California Department of Transportation to evaluate the following three sites to determine if the properties are suitable for development as crisis and bridge housing facilities: 2316 E. Imperial Highway, 828 Eubank Avenue, and 515 N. Beacon Street.

I FURTHER MOVE that if the properties are determined to be suitable for development as crisis and bridge housing facilities, the City Council instruct the City Homeless Coordinator to coordinate with the Los Angeles County to identify funds for operations at the sites, including, but not limited to County Measure H revenue.

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