CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Bridge Housing project located at 2817 South Hope Street.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Price - O'Farrell), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. DETERMINE the Bridge Housing Project on 2817 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA, which allows the development and use of the property as a temporary shelter, is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Article 19, Sections 15301 Class 1(h); 15304, Class 4(a)(b)(e); and 15332 Class 32; as well as City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines, Article III, Section 1, Class 1(8)(12); and Class 4(1)(3)(6); as set forth in the Notice of Exemption attached to the Council file.
- 2. APPROVE funds in an amount up to \$6,323,174 to develop a bridge housing facility on property owned by the County of Los Angeles at 2817 South Hope Street. Funds to be appropriated from the Homeless Emergency Aid Program Grant Fund No. 60P/10, AC-1 Capital and Operating Support.
- 3. ESTABLISH a new account within the Capital Improvement Expenditure Program Fund No. 100/54, entitled Bridge Housing Hope Street and appropriate \$2,590,942.
- 4. ESTABLISH a new account within the Homeless Emergency Aid Program Grant Fund No. 60P/10, entitled Bridge Housing Hope Street and appropriate \$280,340.
- 5. AUTHORIZE the Controller to appropriate the amount of \$6,079,875 to develop a Crisis and Bridge Housing site at 2817 South Hope Street, and TRANSFER the total amount of \$6,079,875 from the Homeless Emergency Aide Program Grant Fund No. 60P/10, AC-1 Capital and Operating Support, Account No. 10R630 to the following accounts:

Fund/Department	Account	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
100/40 General Services Department	001014	Salaries, Construction Project	\$213,000
100/40 General Services Department	001101	Hiring Hall Construction	\$600,000
100/40 General Services Department	001121	Benefits Hiring Hall Construction	\$400,000
100/40 General Services Department	003180	Construction Materials	\$1,220,600
100/78 Bureau of Engineering	001010	Salaries, General	\$774,993
100/54 Capital Improvement Expenditure Program	TBD	Bridge Housing Hope Street	\$2,590,942
60P/10 Homeless Emergency Aid Program	TBD	Bridge Housing Hope Street	\$280,340

6. DIRECT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to prepare any additional Controller instructions to do the following:

- a. Make any necessary technical adjustments consistent with the Mayor and Council action in this matter, and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.
- b. Reimburse City Departments for their accrued labor, material or permit costs related to this project from the Bridge Housing - Hope Street account consistent with the Mayor and Council-action on this matter, and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement these instructions.
- 7. INSTRUCT the General Manager, Housing and Community Investment Department to amend the contract with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority for Homeless Emergency-Assistance Programs funding to include funds in the amount of \$280,340 for Volunteers of America Los Angeles to purchase furniture, fixtures and equipment for the bridge housing facility at 2817 South Hope Street.
- 8. INSTRUCT the General Manager, General Services Department to report on the following actions:
 - a. Negotiating a three-year lease agreement with the County of Los Angeles for the property located - at 2817 South Hope Street, with the option to renew at the discretion of the City Council.
 - b. Negotiating a three-year sub-lease agreement with the Volunteers of America Los Angeles to operate a bridge housing facility at this site, with the option to renew at the discretion of the City.
- 9. INSTRUCT the City Homeless Coordinator to coordinate with the Los Angeles County to identify funds for interim housing operations at this site, including but not limited to County Measure H revenue.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On March 20, 2019, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered Motion (Price - O'Farrell), and Bureau of Engineering (BOE) report relative to the bridge housing on the property located at 2817 South Hope Street.

A CAO representative provided some background on the matter and responded to questions from the committee members. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve Motion (Price - O'Farrell), and the BOE report as reflected above. The matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

O'FARRELL: RODRIGUEZ: YES

YES

BONIN:

ABSENT

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HARRIS-DAWSON: ABSENT

YES

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