

MOTION

There is a homelessness crisis in the City of Los Angeles. According to the 2018 Point-in-time Homeless Count, there are approximately 22,887 unsheltered homeless individuals in the City of Los Angeles of which 2,169 (494 living in vehicles) are unsheltered people experiencing homelessness in Council District 1.

The City owns the sites at 503 N. San Fernando Rd that has approximately 20,000 square-feet of vacant land and 499 N. San Fernando Rd that has approximately 21,000 square-feet of vacant land. Both vacant parcels are controlled by the General Services Department.

In order to best address the problem of homelessness in the City, and help unsheltered homeless enter interim temporary shelter we need to increase our bed capacity Citywide including Council District 1 beyond what is currently available. Therefore, staff should be instructed to evaluate the properties and report on its availability and feasibility to be utilized as temporary crisis 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, the General Services Department, the Department of Building and Safety, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, and any other affected City department, to evaluate the availability and feasibility of the property at 503 N. San Fernando Rd an 499 N. San Fernando Rd to determine if the property is suitable and could be available for use as emergency shelter as part of the "A Bridge Home" program; and

I FURTHER MOVE that if any of the properties are determined to be available and suitable for A Bridge Home, the City Council instruct the City Administrative Officer to coordinate with the appropriate City departments to coordinate with Council District 1 to ensure community outreach and identifying the funding sources such as but not limited to HEAP, Measure H, and Prop HHH, and partners needed to proceed with site development and operations.

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