

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Diane

**Date Submitted:** 08/23/2019 09:01 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am a conservative Democrat. I am all for helping people but I think the situation with allowing homeless to live on the streets in tents is shameful. It is not helping them. I believe a lot of the homeless living that way have mental and substance abuse issues. As for homeless who live in their cars or RVs, the city, county, or state governments should find property(an empty lot)to allow them to live safely and off the city streets- street parking for everyday public use is very difficult innLos Angeles. For all the money allotted(propositions voted in) to aid the homeless, it's not being used well. For example, almost every week the tent population is given advance notice to remove their belongings so that the public sidewalks they live on can be sanitized. They have their own cleaning lady! I don't have a cleaning lady, why should they? I drive by one of these sites 4 days a week, Venice Blvd., between Sawtelle and Sepulveda Blvd. Trash is spilling out onto the street. If someone wanted to use the sidewalk, they couldn't. Plus, I'm sure it has become a breeding ground for serious disease, which will probably become immune to antibiotics. It is of utmost importance for the government agencies to take care of this growing out of control problem yesterday.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Matt Wait

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am shocked and disgusted by the secret, abrupt changes to the instructions to the city attorney for rewriting 41.18, including bans on sleeping on sidewalks within 500 feet of schools, daycares, school routes, "busy sidewalks", practically every single square inch of the city. The instructions amount to a ban on being homeless and is a disgusting attempt to shove our city's most vulnerable, who have been put onto the streets by LA's housing policies, into the farthest nooks and crannies of our city where our elected officials don't have to look at them. How can anyone access services under these conditions? How can this possibly comply with the spirit of Martin vs Boise? How can any council member who votes for this claim to have "compassion" for their homeless constituents at all?

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jesse

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**Comments for Public Posting:** This is a horrible and inhumane proposal that seems to exist to punish people for being unhoused. We should be helping find solutions to the homelessness crisis our city is facing, not punishing the most vulnerable and worse-off members of our community. The restrictions put on where people sleep or sit make up the large majority of the city—what isn't within 500 feet of a park or school or 10 feet from a driveway? It is also a deeply flawed, impractical restriction that will cause more harm than good and make the city's homeless problem worse than it already is. It will create more tent cities and skid-row like areas, as the unhoused will be forced to stay out of so many areas of the city, including away from public bathrooms and washing areas. The places where they do congregate will, by concentrating these populations together and away from public facilities, be dirtier and unhealthier than if this restriction never existed. I implore the council to reject this inhumane, cruel, poorly designed and ill-considered restriction on where people can sleep.