

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** To: Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson Mr Harris-Dawson, Concerning your vote in favor of Mitch O'Farrell's racist motion amending LAMC 41.18(d) to criminalise and incarcerate our unhoused black and brown brothers and sisters; forced to live on the streets because of O'Farrell's and his developer paymasters targeting rent stabilized apartments for destruction and replacement by luxury units. Marqueece, "We will match your capacity to inflict suffering by our capacity to endure suffering. We shall meet your physical force with soul force. We cannot in all good conscience obey your unjust laws because noncooperation with evil is as much a moral obligation as is cooperation with good. Send your perpetrators of violence into our community at the midnight hour and beat us and leave us half-dead...Throw us in jail and we will still love you. Be assured that we will wear you down by our capacity to suffer, and will one day win our freedom." Excerpt from Martin Luther King Jr.'s sermon "Loving Your Enemies", delivered November 17th, 1957 at Dexter Avenue Baptist Church Montgomery, Alabama. Sincerely, Mr Robert Peppey