HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the feasibility of creating a pilot program that provides cash assistance to seniors for basic essentials like rent, food, and medical needs.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (O'Farrell - Ryu - Wesson - Krekorian):

- 1. INSTRUCT the Housing and Community Investment Department and Department of Aging with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to report on programs that provide cash assistance to seniors for basic essentials like rent, food, and medical needs by the Los Angeles County, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), and other municipalities and to report on the feasibility of creating a pilot program in the City that provides similar services to seniors.
- REQUEST the LAHSA to report on its Problem-Solving Program including how the program is implemented, who it serves, eligibility requirements, and if this program can be applied to seniors.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its regular meeting held on October 2, 2019, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered Motion (O'Farrell - Ryu - Wesson - Krekorian) relative to the feasibility of creating a pilot program that provides cash assistance to seniors for basic essentials like rent, food, and medical needs.

After consideration, and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee approved the recommendations in the Motion as reflected above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

O'FARRELL:

YES

RODRIGUEZ:

YES

BONIN:

YES

HARRIS-DAWSON: ABSENT

RYU:

ABSENT

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