

Communication from Public

Name: travis binen

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 04:29 PM

Council File No: 20-0147

Comments for Public Posting: Please vote yes to resume comprehensive CARE+ cleanups. The area around the bridge home on main street in venice has become a massive homeless encampment with fights, screaming, drug use, needles, tents and trash. It's not fair to me and the people who pay mortgage, rent and property taxes. We were promised that the area would be a no tent zone and make the area nicer and instead the exact opposite has happened. The area has become completely lawless and my neighbors are afraid to leave their homes. This bridge home is in the middle of a residential. Please do the right thing begin the clean ups.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 04:59 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please vote against resuming sweeps, which are in direct violation of COVID guidelines set out by the Center for Disease Control. I live in 90068, and we just opened a A Bridge Home in Los Feliz, in my district. This new shelter was created under the Mayor's A Bridge Home program, wherein shelters are surrounded by "Special Enforcement Zones" (SECZs) where LAPD aggressively police houseless neighbors. You can all admit that these shelters do not have enough resources to help everyone on the street. So why are these shelters contingent on sweeps that destroy the property of, and ticket people who aren't in a shelter? This harms people without housing, it doesn't solve anything for the neighborhood, and it's a big expense for the city. I hope my Councilmember David Ryu, and other city leaders, are committed to reimagining public safety and an unarmed response to non-violent calls. Do not resume sweeps. You must abolish the punitive SECZs. Struggling Angelenos need #HomesNotZones!

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Name: Caroline

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 05:30 PM

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Name: Paul Abascal

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 05:30 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: MOTION (BUSCAINO - KREKORIAN) relative to amending Council action of March 17, 2020 to resume comprehensive CARE+ cleanups. Please vote yes to resume comprehensive CARE+ cleanups. The area around the bridge home on main street in venice has become a massive homeless encampment with fights, screaming, drug use, needles, tents and trash. It's not fair to me and the people who pay mortgage, rent and property taxes. We were promised By Mr Bonin, Garcetti and Police Chief Moore that the area would be a no tent zone and the area would be made nicer by the city and instead the exact opposite has happened. The area has become completely lawless and my neighbors are afraid to leave their homes. This bridge home is in the middle of a residential was never a well thought out idea and the crime spike and residual effect on the neighborhood proves that beyond a doubt. Please do what you stood before the neighborhood and promised us you would do. Restart the clean ups our streets are filthy. Recommendation for Council action: AMEND Council action of March 17, 2020 (Council file No. 20-0147 as amended by Motion 72-P and Motion 72-P-A) to AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Sanitation to resume CARE+ cleanups within the Special Cleaning Zones established around A Bridge Home shelters only

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Comments for Public Posting: Use the money that you have to invest in showers and bathrooms for the homeless. Everyone is complaining that they smell and the streets smell like pee but that's because it's hard for them to find a place to shower and go to the bathroom!

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Name: Justin Verdugo

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Name: Sean obrien

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 05:47 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE VOTE YES ON 20-0147 Venice was promised if we would accept bridge housing that the surrounding area would receive would be kept clean and free of encampments, again the city has failed Venice and not provided adequate resources or procedures to ensure the safety of the immediate area. Blight, crime, drugs, violence are a daily occurrence Help save Venice

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Name: Vicki Halliday

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 06:29 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I live within the designated zone around the bridge housing facility in Venice. Restarting Sanitation's extra cleanup would be of great help to this area. I live on a walk street and dealing with trash, feces, needles, and other remnants of homeless night camping is a daily duty here. Any help we can get would be appreciated. We're drowning in garbage in the gutters of S. Main. The stench makes the sidewalk unusable. Thank you. Vicki Halliday

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Name: Stanislav Sedov
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Communication from Public

Name: Rachael M

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 07:16 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm a constituent of District 11 writing to oppose inhumane "Care+" sweeps in SECZones. This is blatantly in direct violation with CDC guidelines, completely inexcusable during this pandemic. Your citizens are being abused and terrorized by the LAPD, antagonized for existing while the city offers no true care or relief. The poverty, neglect, and police violence in this city is a public health CRISIS and we are running out of time. Our unhoused neighbors need clean handwashing stations, showers, bathrooms, and water fountains- NOT an expensive increase in police brutality! It is critical for public health and safety that these malicious police sweeps not be allowed to resume. Please use the 8.4 million dollars of city money to "balance the budget", or to provide housing, health care, and services for the human beings that you are supposed to serve. Expensive LAPD presence when we are supposed to be "reimagining public safety" is NOT what the public means when we demand you defund the police. Thank you for your time, Rachael

Communication from Public

Name: Kate Outterbridge

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 10:32 AM

Council File No: 20-0147

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, today I am writing to urge the city council to oppose agenda item No.46. Special enforcement zones harm people without housing, it doesn't solve anything for the neighborhood and it's a big expense for the city. If city leaders are truly committed to reimagining public safety and an unarmed response to non-violent calls, they must abolish the punitive SECZs. Struggling Angelenos need #HomesNotZones!

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Name: Kyrie Larcher

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 11:37 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly oppose agenda item #46. I do not support CARE+ Sanitation sweeps resuming anywhere. These sweeps serve to harass, abuse and displace my unhoused neighbors. This is also against CDC guidelines -- we should all still be sheltering in place. These sweeps are not a solution but rather an oppressive tool to criminalize houselessness and poverty. My position is informed by my expertise as a licensed clinical social worker.

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Name: Zoe Brown

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 01:14 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Just as the police are not permitted to move me around the city at their discretion, they should also not be permitted to upend the lives of unhoused folks. Special Enforcement Zones prey on those individuals. I strongly urge all councilmembers to oppose this item, because to encourage these abuses would only be proof that you have no regard for the most defenseless among us.

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Name: Shawn

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 01:14 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Shelters should not come with a Special Enforcement Zone or expensive cops doing encampment sweeps. Keep in mind we will remember how you all vote.

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Name: Joe O'Neill

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 01:27 PM

Council File No: 20-0147

Comments for Public Posting: I am a member of The Sidewalk Project, an arts activist and harm reduction organization working with the homeless community in Los Angeles. We have been listed as a public health organization by the City of Los Angeles I am opposed to resuming comprehensive CARES+ cleanups in Special Enforcement Cleanup Zones. I am asking all council members to vote AGAINST the motion to resume these cleanups. Special Enforcement Cleanup Zones subject the homeless in these zones to increased policing, and potential loss/destruction of their belongings for merely being in close proximity to a shelter they were unable to get a bed in. These Cleanups and Cleanup zones are criminalizing the most marginalized members of our city, those without homes. Rather than sweeps, lets spend our money on compassionate solutions for the homeless. In the short term we can provide more hand washing stations, toilets, dumpsters and mobile showers for homeless encampments. In the long term we should be housing people. In addition if street cleanings are done we should remove law enforcement personnel from any street cleaning efforts. Thank you.

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Name: Rikki Lee Thiel
Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 01:47 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I am a resident of Los Angeles, and a member of Citizen Creative LA, a collective of creatives and local business owners who want to see a re-imagined LA. I am opposed to resuming comprehensive CARES+ cleanups in Special Enforcement Cleanup Zones. I am asking all council members to vote AGAINST the motion to resume these cleanups. Special Enforcement Cleanup Zones subject the homeless in these zones to increased policing, and potential loss/destruction of their belongings for merely being in close proximity to a shelter they were unable to get a bed in. These Cleanups and Cleanup zones are criminalizing the most marginalized members of our city, those without homes. Rather than sweeps, let's spend our money on compassionate solutions for the homeless. In the short term, we can provide more hand washing stations, toilets, dumpsters, and mobile showers for homeless encampments. In the long term, we should be housing people. In addition, if street cleanings are done we should remove law enforcement personnel from any street cleaning efforts. Thank you.

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Name: Jenae Stainer

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 02:23 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to voice my opposition to the enforcement of "Special Enforcement and Cleaning Zones" around A Bridge Home shelters. These special zones do not help our unhoused community members get housed or into shelters, and it does not make the community safer from the spread of coronavirus. The needs of unhoused residents of Los Angeles far exceed the available shelter space. Instead of allowing unhoused Angelenos to stay sheltered in their tents and encampments, which could help reduce the spread of COVID-19, the enforcement of these zones results in unnecessary harassment and destruction of their property, and then leaves them displaced and exposed to the virus (as well as able to spread it to others). Sweeps and harassment are not the way to solve the homeless crisis or the COVID-19 crisis.

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Name: Halcyon Selfmade
Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 03:01 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I oppose any motion leading to further criminalization of unhoused people, and the trampling of constitutional rights, the ADA rights, and human rights of any individual, be they housed or not.

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Name: Brandi Kitty Leonhart Prime
Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 03:30 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: There's a deadly virus plague. Enforcing Ordinance 56.11 is immoral, not to mention waste of money. Just... maybe... don't? Or maybe, just kinda spitballing here: GIVE. PEOPLE. HOUSING. Care not cops.

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Name: Rachel Dukes

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 03:53 PM

Council File No: 20-0147

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing to oppose agenda item No. 46: the motion to resume sweep the SECZs currently occupied by houseless neighbors who couldn't find shelter within LA's new homeless shelters. The sweeps are in violation of CDC guidelines, harm people without housing, and are a large expense for the city that could be better spent helping struggling Angelenos during this pandemic. If city leaders are truly committed to re-imagining public safety and an unarmed response to non-violent calls, they must abolish the cruel, costly, punitive "Special Enforcement Zones" which surround homeless shelters and re-purpose those funds to help the houseless, low-income, and the unemployed residents of Los Angeles.

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Name: Tomas Fuller

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 08:00 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please approve this motion to resume cleanups on 3rd avenue in Venice. We desperately need it again.

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Name: Will Friedman

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 08:16 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please don't do this. The city can't afford it, and it is cruel to unhoused residents of Los Angeles. There are not enough shelter beds in ABH sites to justify this. Please do not pass this motion.

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Name: Sharyl

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Name: Pastor Kathy Huck

Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 08:42 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: With the CDC guidelines in place for COVID-19; to enforce sweeps would be dangerous for the unhoused and housed in L.A. The CDC states moving people currently living in encampments and on the street, would exacerbate the spread of the virus throughout the city. Why not offer real service solutions and work with us who are boots on the ground working directly with the unhoused on the streets to come up with humane and viable solutions. AND let's bring the unhoused residents into the conversation.

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Name: Collin
Date Submitted: 07/27/2020 08:44 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to oppose item 46. The fact that this motion has been proposed only shows that City Council refuses to take the demands of their constituents seriously. The people are demanding services, not policing and not sweeps. This is money that can be directed else where towards actually helping our homeless neighbors rather than police them into displacement. Not only is City Council blatantly trying to roll back the work Black Lives Matter have been fighting for, they are attempting to act in defiance of CDC guidelines that directly advise against displacing the homeless. There is not enough bridge housing in place to even begin to remotely justify enforcement zones let alone money in the budget to allocate the \$8.6 million back into policing. I'm not sure what City Council is thinking, but in case they didn't realize, we're still here watching you. PS. Garcetti called City Council the most progressive city council in the United States tonight - this is a gross misrepresentation of our elected officials. No progressive city council would ever entertain this motion.

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Name: Cait Cibulsky

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