

Homelessness and Poverty  
**TRANSPORTATION**

**MOTION**

There is a great need to open a Winter Shelter Program site in Council District 1 for FY 20-21.

The City successfully opened numerous Recreation and Park sites as Mass Shelter Expansion Program (MSEP) sites in response to COVID 19 to move people experiencing homelessness indoors. All sites operated at 95-100% occupancy and the closure of these sites have left Council District 1 and other districts without beds capacity during this cold and wet winter season.

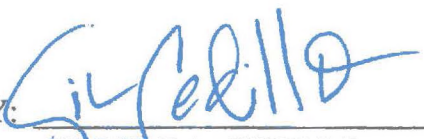
There is a need for funding to open a Winter Shelter Program at the Echo Park Community Center to be operated by First To Serve who has a wealth of experience operating Winter Shelter Programs and operated all the MSEP sites in CD1 including at Echo Park Community Center.


This effort is of special benefit for the residents of the City and especially Council District 1 and deserves financial assistance to help people experiencing homelessness especially in the mist of COVID 19 and reported increased deaths this year over last year of people experiencing homelessness.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the City Administrative Officer be directed to identify the funding needed to open a Winter Shelter Program for fiscal year 20-21 in CD1 to be operated by First To Serve at the Echo Park Community Center and work with Recreation and Parks to secure the site.

**I FURTHER MOVE** that the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority work with Council District 1 on an effective outreach plan to bring people experiencing homelessness in Council District 1 indoors.

**I FURTHER MOVE** that the Housing and Community Investment Department, with the assistance of the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority be directed to take all necessary steps to effectuate the above described Winter Shelter Program.

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