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PUBLIC WORKS & GANG REDUCTION

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The City of Los Angeles has numerous non profit organizations that provide services to the needy, including but not limited to, shelter, clothing, storage of personal effects and feeding programs. While these organizations provide a valuable service; sometimes there are negative impacts to surrounding communities.

Due to the large demand to feed those in need, these activities frequently spill out onto the sidewalk and street, creating numerous public safety and public health concerns. Additionally, concentrations of people, lack of ADA accessibility and blocking of streets and sidewalks cause significant public safety problems. City Departments should come together to determine a solution that addresses non-commercial feeding in the public rights of way.

The City of Los Angeles, LAHSA and neighboring municipalities have had measurable success with permanent supportive housing, which provides housing, food, social services and other needs to homeless people

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney, Board of Public Works, Department of Disability, LAHSA, County Health Department and the Los Angeles Police Department be requested to report on measures which address providing meal service to individuals in the public rights of way.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Attorney be requested to report on efforts by other municipalities to address non-commercial feeding in the public rights of way.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Attorney be requested, in consultation with the Bureau of Street Services, LAHSA and LAPD, to provide legislative options for an ordinance which would address non-commercial meal distribution in the public rights of way.

I FURHTER MOVE that the City Attorney draft legislation as it relates to non-commercial meal distribution in the public rights of way.

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