

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a request to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and Los Angeles Homeless Coordinator to report on the framework of an Emergency Response to Homelessness Plan, a comprehensive list of every public facility in the City of Los Angeles legally eligible to be used to provide shelter, and other related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Harris-Dawson - Bonin - Buscaino):

1. REQUEST the LAHSA to prepare a report within 14 days detailing the following:
 - a. How many people and what percentage of the City's homeless population are currently being provided shelter or housing, and what number and what percentage of our homeless population LAHSA aims to shelter or house by the end of the current fiscal year, and the next three fiscal years? The report should include the number and types of shelter beds available during the past two fiscal years and during the current fiscal year.
 - b. What steps have been taken to replace barracks-style emergency shelters with low-barrier, 24- hour crisis housing and bridge housing beds that provide a genuine first step from the streets to long-term housing, as called for in Strategy 7A of the Comprehensive Homelessness Strategy? The report should include the number of beds, number of facilities, and percentage of the homeless population in Los Angeles being served.
 - c. What steps have been taken to encourage or recruit houses of worship, nonprofit agencies, and others to offer shelter on their premises? The report should include the number of beds, number of facilities, and percentage of the City's homeless population being served.
2. REQUEST the LAHSA to prepare within 14 days the framework of an Emergency Response to Homelessness Plan, outlining what steps and what funds would be required to provide an alternative to encampments for 100 percent of the City's homeless population by December 31, 2018.
3. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Homeless Coordinator, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), and other departments and agencies as appropriate, to prepare within 14 days a comprehensive list of every public facility in the City of Los Angeles legally eligible to be used to provide shelter, temporary housing, or safe parking.
4. INSTRUCT the CAO and CLA to reach out to Federal Emergency Management Agency and Red Cross and report on what can be done to get homeless people off of the sidewalks and into someplace warmer, safer, and more humane.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On March 7, 2018, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered Motion (Harris-Dawson - Bonin - Buscaino) relative to an update of Strategy 7A of the Comprehensive Homelessness Strategy that includes the number of beds, facilities, and percentage of the homeless being served, and a framework of an Emergency Response to Homelessness Plan, with steps and funding requirement for alternative encampments, that includes a comprehensive list of every public facility in the City eligible to be used as shelter, temporary housing, or safe parking. The Motion, attached to the Council file, provides additional background information.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council approved the Motion with an additional instruction for the CAO and the CLA to reach out to FEMA and Red Cross, and report on what can be done to get homeless people out of the sidewalks and into someplace warmer, safer, and more humane. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
BONIN:	YES
HUIZAR:	YES
PRICE:	YES



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