

ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, PARKS AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to City processes and policy concerns that directly impact the transgender community.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. REQUEST the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) to begin tracking the number and type of vouchers that are provided to transgender individuals; monitor the rate of successful housing placements they experience compared to their cisgender counterparts; increase education and outreach to transgender individuals on how to secure a Section 8 voucher.
2. REQUEST the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority to monitor and record its homeless shelters compliance with the Equal Access Rule and to report on its enforcement policies and action.
3. INSTRUCT or REQUEST, as appropriate, the Personnel Department, Human Relations Commission (City HRC) and the Transgender Advisory Council (TAC) with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to review the City's current online training program on transgender awareness, and make appropriate modifications to that program to ensure that it is properly addressing the issues facing the transgender community, and report on the feasibility and budgetary requirements of implementing an online mandatory training and an in-person training program that is geared towards City employees with public-facing roles and high levels of interaction with community members.
4. INSTRUCT the City HRC to monitor relevant legislative action and alert the TAC, as needed, of any pending federal or state legislation affecting the transgender community; and, REQUEST the TAC to add a legislative update as a standing item on its regular meeting agenda.
5. INSTRUCT the AIDS Coordinator's Office within the Department on Disability, with the assistance of the TAC and the City HRC, to report on current and future funding opportunities for the transgender community.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department reports that pending Council's approval of the above recommendations, the necessary fiscal assessments will be conducted and submitted for review.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on February 28, 2018, your Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee considered a Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department report on behalf of the City HRC and the TAC relative to City processes and policy concerns that directly impact the transgender community. The report dated February 22, 2018, attached to the Council file, includes the assessment of City policies used to manage and respond to alleged discriminatory practices related to housing vouchers, homeless shelter practices for transgender individuals

within the Los Angeles County Continuum of Care, transgender sensitivity training for City staff, funding opportunities that may be available for services targeting the transgender community, and process for monitoring legislation that impacts the transgender community. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations presented in the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department report as modified, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, PARKS AND RIVER COMMITTEE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike O'Farrell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mike" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "O'Farrell".

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
O'FARRELL:	YES
RYU:	YES
PRICE:	ABSENT

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