

Contact Information

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Summary: West Hills Neighborhood Council supports Los Angeles City Controller Ron Halperin's "Report on Homelessness Encampments", dated September 27, 2017, as outlined in the report's Appendix I section for suggested actions. In addition, West Hills Neighborhood Council advises the City Council to enact the following suggested actions,

1. Regarding Proposition HHH and Measure H, provide a website(s) that enables the general public to easily track the expenditures and purchases that result from these two new laws, broken down by each Council District.
2. Each Council District should immediately locate one area in their respective council districts to be set aside for a temporary safe parking location and a temporary transition triage center with emergency shelter beds, preferably on City, County and/or Metro owned properties, and will enter unhoused individuals in the Coordinated Entry System, link them to needed social services, including housing, mental health care, substance use treatment and other pertinent referrals.
3. At each safe parking and triage center location, collect background data to better understand causes of homelessness in our area, so to more effectively address the root causes of this epidemic.
4. After sufficient shelter beds, safe parking locations and substance use treatment beds are more readily available, explore methods by providing a study to address service resistant individuals that may benefit from changes to current laws, recent court decisions on the topic, court compelled substance treatment, criteria for LPS designation regarding psychiatric holds, etc. to ultimately better address public health and safety concerns for both housed and unhoused stakeholders.