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Summary: The Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council (ASNC) extends its support to this motion (19-0623) calling for a report on the number of vacant habitable housing units in the city of Los Angeles as well as a report on policy options for an "Empty Homes Penalty." The purpose of which is to levy a penalty or tax on unoccupied housing units that could otherwise be on the rental or sale markets. The ASNC recognizes that there is currently a housing crises that affects both the homeless and renters. The ASNC further recognizes that the number of unoccupied units (numbering over 100,000) creates a lower market supply than what is actually available. Thus such a penalty will open up more units to being available to renters or buyers, will contribute to the lowering of rents, and will secure funds that can in turn be used to assist in mitigating the homeless crisis. Therefore the ASNC supports this effort and hopes the City of Los Angeles will join other cities such as Oakland, Washington DC and Vancouver, Canada in implementing this policy.