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There is a homelessness crisis in the City of Los Angeles. According to the 2019 Point-in-Time Homeless Count, there are approximately 36,300 homeless individuals in the City of Los Angeles, 7,896 of whom are in Council District 14. To address this crisis, the City has approved a multifaceted Comprehensive Homelessness Strategy, voters have approved additional revenues for homeless housing and services, and members of the City Council have pledged to provide an equal share of permanent supportive housing in each of their districts.

The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council, The Eagle Rock Association, and Council District 14 have hosted community meetings to discuss local solutions to the homelessness crisis and persistent encampments in Eagle Rock. These community discussions have identified mobile showers and safe parking as widely supported local solutions. More than 70 percent of respondents ranked mobile showers and toilets as their first and second priorities, and 50 percent selected safe parking as one of their top two strategies. There was also broad support to find appropriate locations for temporary bridge housing and permanent supportive housing, in an area of the City which is desperately lacking homelessness services.

A parking lot at 7541 N. Figueroa Street, adjacent to the 134 Freeway, is used by Recreation and Parks as auxiliary parking to serve Eagle Rock Recreation Center and as a staging area for filming and other occasional events. This parking lot may offer an opportunity to address persistent homelessness in the area by providing a location for temporary facilities such as safe parking, a hygiene center, or bridge housing.

In order to address the need for homeless services in Eagle Rock, the City should evaluate the Eagle Rock Recreation Center's Parking Lot on 7541 N. Figueroa Street for temporary facilities such as hygiene center, safe parking, or bridge housing.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the City Administrative Officer and Chief Legislative Analyst, with assistance from Recreation and Parks and other departments as necessary, to evaluate and report on the use of the parking lot located at 7541 N. Figueroa Street as temporary emergency facilities for people experiencing homelessness.

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