

**MOTION**

There is a homelessness crisis in the City of Los Angeles. According to the 2019 Point-in-Time Homeless Count, there are approximately 36,200 homeless individuals in the City of which 2,377 are unsheltered and experiencing homelessness in Council District 15. Furthermore, approximately 568 of these unsheltered individuals are forced to live in their cars, vans, campers or recreational vehicles (RVs).

To help respond to this crisis, Council District 15 and the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) are proposing to use a HACLA owned parking lot in the Harbor/Gateway Community. The site would be large enough to serve 15-20 vehicles including RVs in a secured, non-residential neighborhood, and HACLA has stated that the parking lot would be repaved for this project. Furthermore, the proposed site could serve all demographics of homeless individuals, including families, transition age youth, seniors, and victims of domestic violence. This Safe Parking program would also provide the following services to its clients: case management; access to the Coordinated Entry System; restrooms; hygiene; meals; and connections to medical health professionals, and legal services.

Given that homelessness in Los Angeles is an emergency, the City and its partner organizations need to be doing all they can, as fast as they can to help homeless people attain the housing and services they need to stabilize their lives and become self-sufficient, including developing Safe Parking with supportive services for those individuals living in their vehicles in the Harbor/Gateway community of Council District 15.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the Council instruct the City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst to submit to the Homeless Strategy Committee a request of approximately \$219,000 from the State's pending Homeless, Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program grant to develop a Safe Parking program on the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles owned parking lot at 19610 Hamilton Avenue, in the Harbor Gateway community of Council District 15, and that the program include the services as detailed in this Motion;

**I FURTHER MOVE** that if the site is not funded by the Homeless, Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program grant, the City Administrative Officer report to Council with an alternative funding source(s) at the time grant funding is committed; and

**I FURTHER MOVE** that the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority be requested to add the 19610 Hamilton Avenue site owned by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles in its next Safe Parking Request For Proposals, use the City funds identified in this Motion, or any other funds that become available to finance the project, be authorized to sole source a contract for the site if no qualified proposals are received, and report to Council on the results of the Request For Proposals.

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