

AMENDMENT TO ITEM 2
HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

JUNE 24, 2021

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT the City Council seek collaboration with the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors to **establish a standing intergovernmental panel** comprised of elected officials from both entities to provide timely and regular input on governance of the homelessness system (LAHSA Recommendation Pages 13-14). The panel shall consult with the policy team specified below to develop alignment on the overarching mission, goals, and high-level desired outcomes of our homelessness system, which will serve as a framework for a **LA City/County Reimagining Homelessness Governance Action Plan**.

I FURTHER MOVE that, concurrently, the City of Los Angeles' (City) **City Administrative Officer** and **Chief Legislative Analyst** work in partnership with the County (County) of Los Angeles' **Chief Executive Officer**, in consultation with the City Controller, County

Auditor-Controller, and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), to designate representatives to create the **LA City/County Reimagining Homeless Governance Action Plan** with the objective of accomplishing the following within 120 days through bi-weekly meetings:

- Support the panel in the development of clearly **aligned mission, goals and outcomes** related to preventing and addressing our region's homelessness crisis, including outlining **universal metrics** and articulating progress/shortfalls (LAHSA Recommendation Pages 13-14, CLA Recommendation Page 31, Committee for a Greater Los Angeles Recommendation Pages 25 and 30).
 - The California Policy Lab should be consulted to help the City and LAHSA refine and improve data and metrics associated with these programs (CLA Recommendation, Page 30).

- **Provide recommendations on immediate operational changes** intended to streamline the contracting and administrative activities between LAHSA, community-based service providers, the County, and the City to ensure alignment between City and County contracts where feasible (LAHSA Recommendation Page 10, CLA Recommendation Page 32 and CEO Recommendation Page 22).
 - As an **initial phase, recommendations should be made to reform the City’s Street Engagement Strategy**, consistent with CF 21-0329 and CF 21-0031, to more effectively coordinate and implement **street outreach and housing navigation/matching services** among the various funding entities and service providers, with proposed standardized operating procedures and protocols that ensure transparency and accountability (CLA Recommendation Page 3, LAHSA Recommendation Page 10).

- Provide recommendations on a **governing framework**, which may include **specific updates to the Joint Powers Agreement** (CLA Recommendation Page 36, CEO Recommendation Page 3), as well as an **assessment of the Glendale, Long Beach, and Pasadena Continuums of Care**, including their structure, activities, and effectiveness compared to LAHSA (CLA Recommendation Page 35), with the objective of creating a reimagined structure for collaboration and coordination between the City and County, aligned with federal requirements, that also **dissolves extraneous bodies and consolidates various committees and workgroups** (LAHSA Recommendation Pages 11-12);
- **Identify specific strategies and proposed metrics** to address the above objectives and **delineate clear roles, responsibilities, and authority** for the City, County, LAHSA and related agencies in order to create a mutually-

accountable governance structure (LAHSA Recommendation Pages 11-12 and CLA Recommendation Pages 4-5).

- Propose recommended **updates to the City’s Homeless Strategies, in coordination with the County’s update to their Homeless Initiative Strategies**, to ensure alignment and coordination.

I FURTHER MOVE that the aforementioned City departments be authorized to engage in obtaining a third-party facilitator for the above-mentioned meetings.

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