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Summary: We, the Wilshire Center Koreatown Neighborhood Council of the City of Los Angeles, SUPPORT the adoption of Motion (Bonin, Harris-Dawson – Martinez), associated with Council File 20-0478, instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and the Department of Convention & Tourism Development report back with a list of hotels in the City of Los Angeles that have received public subsidies, tax breaks, or economic development incentives or that sit on, lease, or make use of publicly owned property (including property formerly owned by the Community Redevelopment Agency or successor agencies).



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May 6, 2020

Council President Nury Martinez, Councilman Herb Wesson, and Economic Development Committee Members
City Hall
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The neighborhood council supports the motion and agrees that hotels that have received public assistance should provide their services to the most vulnerable residents of the City during this emergency. These arrangements should be made in a deliberate manner, as expeditiously as possible. The City must secure a room block for vulnerable residents and compensate hotels at a rate not to exceed 120% of the average daily rate (ADR) for hotels citywide during February 2020. The term and conditions of the rental should also be negotiated and beneficial for the City as well as hotel operators.

Since the beginning of the emergency, ADRs have fallen, and the occupancy level Citywide has dropped approximately 70%. Providing guests for hotel operators will benefit the hotels and the City. More importantly, hotels will be able to provide jobs to residents and aid in sheltering the homeless and other vulnerable populations.

We also recognize the cost and specialized staff necessary required to provide supportive services to all homeless populations, which have vastly differing needs. The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) should be required to assure that specialized staff and services are made available to assist hotel staff in ensuring all hotel guests are provided needed services.

We urge the City Council to take decisive action that is fair to hotel operators, taxpayers, and most importantly, vulnerable populations, to which this decision can mean life or death.

Sincerely,

The Wilshire Center Koreatown Neighborhood Council