

STATUTORY EXEMPTION and HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a request for authority to negotiate and execute a lease at 7253 Melrose Avenue with La Brea Gardens Property, LLC for use as interim housing.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DETERMINE the City's activities related to the homeless shelter at this site to be statutorily exempt under Public Resource Code Section 21080(b)(4) as a specific action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as also reflected in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline Section 15269(c); Public Resources Code section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles emergency homeless shelters; and, because the project uses "Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program funds," it is exempt under Governor's order N-32-20.
2. AUTHORIZE the Department of General Services to negotiate and execute a lease agreement with La Brea Garden Property, LLC for the property located at 7253 Melrose Avenue, in Council District 5, for use as an interim housing facility.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Municipal Facilities Committee (MFC) reports that there is no anticipated impact to the General Fund at this time. In Fiscal Year 2022-23, the annual cost to operate this site will be \$1,204,500. The City portion of the operations/services cost is estimated to be \$602,250. Funding for these costs will be considered through the City's annual budget process, which is subject to Mayor and Council approval.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY:

At a regular meeting held on April 8, 2021, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered an MFC report relative to a request for authority to negotiate and execute a lease at 7253 Melrose Avenue with La Brea Gardens Property, LLC for use as interim housing. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended approving, on consent, the recommendations in the MFC report. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
RIDLEY-THOMAS:	YES
DE LEON:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
RAMAN:	YES

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