

STATUTORY EXEMPTION and HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a lease with Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission (HVRM) for a parking lot located at 6065 Reseda Boulevard, for use as interim housing facility, with up to 146 beds, as part of the COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DETERMINE that the City's activities related to the homeless shelter at this site are statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21080(b)(4) as a specific action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency, PRC section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles homeless shelters; and because the project is partly funded by Homeless Emergency Aid Program funds, it is exempt under Governor's Order N-32-20; as set for in the Notice of Exemption in the Council's prior action (Council file No. 20-0841).
2. AUTHORIZE the Department of General Services (GSD) to negotiate and execute a no cost lease with HVRM for a parking lot owned by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) located at 6065 Reseda Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA, 91335, in Council District 3, for use as an interim housing facility as part of the COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Municipal Facilities Committee (MFC) reports that there is no anticipated impact to the General Fund at this time. Funding for operations through July 30, 2022 has already been approved. In Fiscal Year 2022-23, the annual cost to operate this site will be \$2,930,950. The City portion of this cost after the County Commitment to Roadmap operations will be \$1,465,475. 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.

(Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery and Neighborhood Investment waived consideration of the above matter)

SUMMARY:

At a regular meeting held on April 22, 2021, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered an MFC report dated April 15, 2021 relative to a lease with Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission (HVRM) for a parking lot owned by Metro and located at 6065 Reseda Boulevard, for use as interim housing facility, with up to 146 beds, as part of the COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve 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:	ABSENT
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
RAMAN:	YES

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