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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(17) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: The Echo Park Neighborhood Council supports this motion to reallocate City funds to cover rent forgiveness for persons residing within the City of Los Angeles who have been impacted by COVID-19 and have not been able to, or are currently unable to, pay their landlords. In the weeks that have passed since this motion was proposed no action appears to have been taken. The time for exploring options has passed; languid deliberations are a luxury that our city and her people cannot afford. We therefore urge the City Council to act with deliberate haste to fund and execute this program to avoid the mass evictions faced by tens of thousands of Angelenos, many of whom have been made more vulnerable due to the expiration of the Federal CARES act. We further urge that this program include our immigrant and undocumented neighbors; that the City pass an ordinance to impose substantial penalties on those landlords who illegally intimidate or lock-out those unable to pay their rent; and that resources to enforce said ordinance be allocated. We trust that this motion is not a cynical election year stunt but a sincere proposal to keep Los Angeles from careening into a chasm of chaos and despair. Given our current state of acute emergency, we cannot risk the catastrophic impact that a quadrupling of our unhoused population would have on residents, the local economy, and the future health of our city. We implore the City Council to act without further delay and pass this motion.