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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(18) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 07/27/2021

Type of NC Board Action: Against

#### Impact Information

Date: 07/28/2021

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 20-1376-S1

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Echo Park Neighborhood Council once again opposes Council File 20-1376, with its new substitute motion brought forth by Councilmember Ridley-Thomas. Though framed as more compassionate than the original motion, this new substitute motion will still result in encampment sweeps and displacement for LA's houseless.



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## COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION OF COUNCIL FILE 20-1376-S1

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The Echo Park Neighborhood Council once again opposes Council File 20-1376, with its new substitute motion brought forth by Councilmember Ridley-Thomas. Though framed as more compassionate than the original motion, this new substitute motion will still result in encampment sweeps and displacement for LA's houseless.

Creating anti-homeless enforcement zones across certain designated areas does nothing to combat the root causes of homelessness and enforces a futile punitive approach to this city's housing crisis. Additionally, these zones will result in increased dangerous confrontations between houseless and armed police, even if the new motion calls for citations rather than arrests. The EPNC will repeat as previously stated in its original CIS in opposition to this council file:

Criminalizing our way out of homelessness does not work. As a city, we must take responsibility for this crisis—for allowing rents to greatly outpace incomes, for prioritizing large luxury development over the preservation and creation of affordable housing, and for allowing evictions and displacement to ravage our communities and force tens of thousands out of their homes and onto the streets. These are the root causes that have created this unprecedented crisis, and it is only by addressing these underlying issues that we will have any chance to make progress in the right direction.

The EPNC asks for expanded housing and services rather than expanded criminalization through special enforcement zones and citations.

### **RESOLUTION**

On July 27, 2021, the EPNC Board of Governors held a Brown Act noticed-meeting, at 7pm through zoom. With a quorum of 18 board members present and vote count of 18 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions, the Board resolved to write a letter of opposition for the application as set forth above.

Respectfully,  
Echo Park Neighborhood Council

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