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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(10) Nay(1) Abstain(2) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 11/10/2020

Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

Date: 11/23/2020

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 20-1376

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council strongly urges the City Council NOT to adopt the ordinance as presented, and instead consider the Substitute Motion made by Councilmembers Bonin and Ryu, which prioritizes finding and securing housing and services for our homeless neighbors as a primary strategy to dealing with this crisis.

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**RE: COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT (CF 20-1376) LA ALLIANCE V CITY AND
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES / MARTIN V CITY OF BOISE / NINTH CIRCUIT
COURT OF APPEALS / LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE / AMENDMENT**

On November 10, 2020, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held with a quorum of 13 board members present and that by a vote of 10 yes, 1 no, and 2 abstentions, the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) adopted the following Community Impact Statement concerning [CF 20-1376](#).

The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council writes in opposition to this item, and strongly urges the City Council NOT to adopt the motion as presented on October 28, 2020, and instead consider the [substitute motion](#) presented by Councilmembers Bonin and Ryu on October 28, 2020.

Our neighborhood council has already made our position clear against the further criminalization of our homeless neighbors with our opposition letter to similar amendments proposed as part of CF [19-0602-S1](#). The ordinance under consideration by the City Council would make it illegal to sit, lie, or sleep within 500 feet of freeways, ramps, tunnels or within 500 feet of supportive service facilities opened after January 2018. It would also make it illegal to store property in these areas by amending LAMC 56.11. These are all punitive strategies that do not get to the root of the crisis before us. Most notably, the original ordinance being considered ignores what our homeless neighbors need most: housing.

We cannot pretend that by simply banning sleeping, sitting or lying down near freeways that we are solving this challenge. Our homeless neighbors have nowhere to go, especially as we are still in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic. We must invest in housing, safe parking, safe camping, personal storage, medical care, mental health care, and access to good paying jobs. We want to emphasize that it is not enough to “OFFER” shelter to unhoused individuals. There needs to be a plan to make housing available, taking into consideration access and transportation to that housing, inclusion of pets, personal belongings, family members and significant others.

We strongly urge the City Council NOT to adopt the ordinance as presented, and instead consider the [Substitute Motion made by Councilmembers Bonin and Ryu](#), which prioritizes finding and securing housing and services for our homeless neighbors as a primary strategy to dealing with this crisis.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jesse Saucedo

Jesse Saucedo, President
Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC)