

MOTION


According to the 2020 Homeless Point in Time Count, over 41,000 individuals are experiencing homelessness in the City of Los Angeles. The City owns vacant parcels at 2301 South San Pedro Street, 5888 South Crocker Street, and 5887 South Crocker Street. The City and County recently announced an agreement for the City to provide 6,000 beds for homeless individuals living near freeway overpasses, underpasses, and ramps within 10 months, and for the remaining 700 beds to be provided within 18 months. In light of the pressing need to house this vulnerable population, time is of the essence to construct Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units.

RMG Housing, LLC (RMG) is a Southern California based developer of modular PSH units. RMG is currently engaged with the City in developing 160 units of modular PSH units on two other vacant City-owned properties. These modular developments are advantageous in that the units can be brought to the market in a fraction of the time normally required to build traditional PSH. Based on the timeline to bring 6,700 beds to house the homeless expeditiously in order to meet the terms of the City/County agreement, the public interest and necessity requires that the City enter into agreements to develop PSH with RMG Housing, LLC without advertisement for bids. Based on their experience, RMG is best suited to develop PSH units at the properties in a timely manner. RMG will partner with an experienced supportive services provider to provide full time services to the formerly homeless tenants. Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 7.27 permits the lease of City owned property without advertisement for bids provided that the City Council determines that the public interest or necessity requires such action.

I THEREFORE MOVE, that due to the immediate need to comply with the Agreement with the County of Los Angeles to house homeless individuals whose health is at risk both from COVID-19 and living near freeway overpasses, underpasses, and ramps, the City Council determines that pursuant to Section 7.27 of the City's Administrative Code, the public interest or necessity requires the lease of the Properties located at 2301 South San Pedro Street, 5888 South Crocker Street, and 5887 South Crocker Street to RMG Housing, LLC without advertisement for bids for the purpose of constructing Permanent Supportive Housing for the homeless.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council direct the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, Housing and Community Investment Department, City Attorney, and any other relevant departments to prepare the key terms and other necessary documents to effectuate the development of Permanent Supportive Housing on the properties, including but not limited to the Term Sheet, Disposition and Development Agreement, Covenant, and Ground Lease, and submit these documents for Council consideration.

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