

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to expanding housing options and increasing flexible rental housing subsidies to help individuals transition from the streets to housing through a Housing Now Program.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Ridley-Thomas, et al. - Koretz):

INSTRUCT that the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) seek to work in partnership with the County of Los Angeles' (County) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the County's Director of the Department of Health Services to:

- a. Support the implementation of the City of Los Angeles' Street Engagement Strategy and Right to Housing framework by identifying funding to increase flexible rental housing subsidies through a partnership with the County's Department of Health Services that targets clients in the City of Los Angeles who have significant health and mental health needs (Housing Now Program).
- b. Direct the CAO with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles Housing Department, to report to the Los Angeles City Council's Homelessness and Poverty Committee within 30 days on the operating or rental subsidy needs of the current pipeline of interim and permanent supportive housing, including projects in the Roadmap, Homekey Round 1, HHH projects, other City-funded Supportive Housing Projects, and prospective Homekey Round 2 projects.
- c. Report back to the Los Angeles City Council's Homelessness and Poverty Committee in 30 days with recommendations to create the Housing Now Program, memorialized by a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and County of Los Angeles, with the objective of doubling the program by creating a minimum of 10,000 ongoing flexible housing subsidies.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

**(Housing Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

For: Del Rey Neighborhood Council  
Echo Park Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY:

At a regular meeting held on June 26, 2021, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered Motion (Ridley-Thomas, et al. - Koretz) relative to expanding housing options and increasing flexible rental housing subsidies to help individuals transition from the streets to housing through a Housing Now Program.

During the discussion, the Committee heard from representatives from the Los Angeles County as well as the Los Angeles Housing Department, who provided their perspective and experience with the flexible rental housing subsidies as well as answered questions from the Committee members.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended adopting the Motion. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

#### HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>VOTE</b>
RIDLEY-THOMAS:	YES
DE LEÓN:	YES
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
RAMAN:	YES

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