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During the COVID-19 emergency, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) provided daily occupancy reports for Project Roomkey sites to City partners. These reports were utilized to ensure that beds could be filled as quickly as possible and allowed City offices to monitor progress on Project Roomkey's demobilization as the program was ending.

As the City continues to make investments in interim housing and shelter sites, City employees and the public have a continuing need to access and understand the availability of shelter beds. This information is key to promoting transparency within the shelter system, shining a light on what is currently an opaque placement process and clarifying distinctions between different sites in the City and how they are filled. Knowledge of shelter availability also promotes a more effective distribution of this vital, life-saving resource.

Making shelter occupancy data publicly available on a daily basis would permit people experiencing homelessness and their case managers to research which shelter options are most readily available, while providing a clear assessment of possible wait times and eligibility requirements that need to be met. With freely accessible information available to all Angelenos, open beds or rooms could be filled more quickly, allowing the entire homeless services system in Los Angeles to operate with a higher degree of efficiency.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) to obtain daily reports from all City-funded shelter sites to provide to the CAO's City Homeless Coordinator, City Council offices, the Mayor's office, and the City Controller, including the following information for each site:

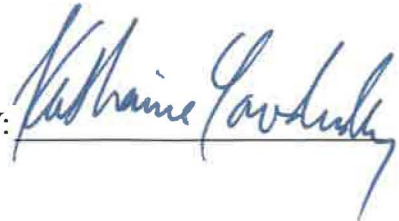
- Demographic information about the population(s) the site is able to serve;
- Eligibility requirements for entry, such as whether a site accepts walk-ins;
- Whether services offered include assessment, referrals, housing matches, residence within a particular catchment area, etc.;
- Number and percentage of beds that are occupied;
- Number and percentage of beds that are offline, and the reason(s) they are offline;
- Number and percentage of beds that are available;
- Number of individuals referred to the site; and
- Number of intakes scheduled at the site for that day.

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