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ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE AGENDA

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 @ 7pm

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Motion, Discussion, and Vote may be taken on all items

- 1) **Call to Order. Roll call; determination of quorum.**
- 2) **Opening comments from chairpersons**
- 3) **Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies**
- 4) **Approve Minutes of March 10, 2021 Meeting (attached)**
- 5) **New Business (Vote may be taken):**
 - a. [CF 20-1603](#) Discussion and possible action on submitting a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on adopted Motion 21-1603 (Raman - Martinez) relative to requesting the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, in coordination with Los Angeles County's Homeless Initiative division, to report on the status of Measure H outreach programs in Los Angeles. The CIS would address apparent deficiencies in the City of Los Angeles outreach integration with regional efforts that are noted in the report.
 - b. [CF 21-0329](#) Motion (Krekorian - et al. - Ridley-Thomas) relative to instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, to develop a citywide framework for the coordination of existing and new outreach teams. This motion has passed; the ENC would urge that it be implemented expeditiously as it appears to address certain deficiencies addressed in the LAHSA response to CF 20-1603 (above).
 - c. Discussion and possible resolution: Many cities throughout the country are offering sites for sanctioned encampments. This is clearly a land use issue, but it also allows for concentration of services such as sanitation, counseling, and intake triage. Here are links to two very recent articles in the LA times: <https://www.latimes.com/homeless-housing/story/2021-05-07/san-francisco-tests-campsites-homelessness-solution> and <https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2021-05-07/campgrounds-for-homeless-people-fine-for-a-while> Why are these safe sleeping areas needed? If you read the LAHSA report requested by CF 20-1603, you will find data on page 6 indicating that 17% (it is actually 18%) of (People Experiencing Homelessness (PHE)enrolled in a housing program within 12 months of being contacted by outreach. The total sample size was 37,067 PHE in LAHSA's Street outreach program in fiscal year 2018-2019. Eighty percent of the housing obtained was interim (shelters). 18% of 37067 is 6,672 people housed in some fashion, mostly shelters. **This leaves 30,395 people on the street.** Yes, we do have a bit more housing capacity now, mostly bridge facilities. But we also have more PHE. Every tool in the toolbox needs to be used to protect and help PHE, and to treat the situation as the emergency which it is.
 - d. Discussion and possible action submitting a CIS in favor of [CF 21-0002-S65](#) which supports State Senate Constitutional Amendment 2 repealing [Article 34](#) of the state constitution, thus eliminating the requirement that voter approval is needed for expenditure of public funds for affordable housing. Article 34 was added to the California Constitution in 1950. The City of Los Angeles has received voter approval of 3,500 affordable rental units per council district, and this authority is nearly exhausted in some districts. Affordable housing is desperately needed, and it is likely some districts need more than others.
- 6) **Public Comment on Issues NOT on this Agenda**
- 7) **Committee Member Comment on Items NOT on this Agenda**

**8) Upcoming Events : West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness 5/23/2021 3-4 pm
Legislative 4-6 PM Main
More to be announced at meeting**

1) **Date of next Homelessness Committee Meeting is July 14, 2021;** primary purpose will be organizational

2) **Adjournment by 8:30 pm** SEP SEP

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- 1) **Meeting was called to order at 7:04, quorum was determined**
- 2) **Opening comments were made by co-chairpersons**
- 3) **Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies:** Comments we5re received from Tessa Chernofsky (County Supervisor Kuehl), Jonah Glickman (CD 6) and Chris Givens (CD 5)
- 4) **Approved [minutes](#) of January 13, 2021 Meeting (6/0/0)**
- 5) **New Business:**
 - a. Discuss possible assignments, for example monitoring expansion of treatment/mental healthcare beds, changes to LPS legislation, etc. , attending various meetings. This will be firmed up after the NC elections.
 - b. [CF 21-0031](#) Discussion and action on submitting a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Motion 21-0031 (Bonin - Raman - de Leon - Harris-Dawson) relative to directing the Bureau of Sanitation to develop voluntary, service-based protocols for CARE+ operations citywide, as detailed in the Motion. Committee recommends supporting CIS in favor of CF 21-0031 (6-0-0):

The Encino Neighborhood Council supports Motion CF 21-0031 (Bonin-Ramen) directing LA Sanitation to develop voluntary, service-based protocols for CARE+ operations citywide. The

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protocols should include: Compliance with CDC guidelines regarding public health and encampments. Regular, scheduled and well-publicized cleanings Offers by LASAN of services such as trash pick-up, bulky item pick-up, etc. Designation of areas where trash and waste can be placed for disposal and removal. Use of community partners and ambassadors to conduct outreach and facilitation. Provision of easy-ups or shade structures so people can temporarily relocate with their belongings during a cleaning Provision, through LASAN or partner agencies, of mobile showers, bathrooms, COVID-testing, tent exchange and distribution, food and water. Hiring of unhoused residents to keep areas tidy between LASAN cleanings. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities. No use of law enforcement personnel. Further, the Encino Neighborhood council Homelessness committee will be thrilled to serve as community partners and ambassadors to conduct outreach and facilitation. It is about time the Neighborhood councils were engaged in the response to this city-wide humanitarian crisis.

- c. [CF 20-1376](#). Discussion on submitting a CIS on Motion (Blumenfield - et al. - Cedillo - et al.) relative to requesting the City Attorney draft an ordinance that repeals and replaces Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.18, in order that it is consistent with the City's current enforcement practice, including with the Ninth Circuit decision in Martin v. City of Boise. Discussion on submitting a CIS on The Bonin-Ryu amendment to CF 20-1376: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2020/20-1376_misc_sub%20mo_Bonin_Ryu_10-28-20.pdf . The committee agreed to defer any action at the present time (6/0/0)
- d. Discussion and possible resolution: Many cities throughout the country are offering sites for sanctioned encampments. This is clearly a land use issue, but it also allows for concentration of services such as sanitation, counseling, and intake. We have already suggested a couple sites in the north end of the Sepulveda basin for such temporary use. Consider whether the Encino community would have the will to establish such site(s) in Encino – possibly an under-used parking lot. Right now, Encino per se has no housing options which might be used to help someone off the street right away. Committee discussed, no resolution.

6) Date of next Homelessness Committee Meeting is May 12, 2021

7) Adjournment at 8:34 