STATUTORY AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA), HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to approving the proposed License Agreement with Ocean Park Community Center dba The People Concern, to operate and maintain the existing El Puente Bridge Housing facility located on Parking Lot 5, located at 711 North Alameda Street in Council District 14, and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. DETERMINE that the temporary use of Parking Lot No. 5, located at 711 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, as an emergency temporary crisis shelter site to assist individuals experiencing homelessness, for a period of no longer than three years, is statutorily exempt from CEQA under Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21080(b)(4) as a specific action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as reflected in CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c), and PRC Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) which is applicable to City of Los Angeles emergency homeless shelters; and, is categorically exempt from the CEQA pursuant to PRC Section 21084 as reflected in CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land); for the reasons set forth in the Notice of Exemption and Narrative, attached to the accompanying El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument Commission report dated December 12, 2022, attached to Council file No. 18-0044-S2, on file with the Bureau of Engineering, including but not limited to the fact that the project is a specific action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency, a minor alteration to land, and is a use of existing facilities.
- 2. FIND that the emergency use of Parking Lot 5 as a temporary homeless shelter site, for a period not to exceed three years of operation, is consistent with the use of El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument for park purposes.
- 3. AGREE to the temporary use of Parking Lot 5 for a use that would not conflict with the State General Plan or the uses of a City park insofar that it will be allowed as an emergency measure for a temporary, not-to-exceed three (3) year period.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument, or designee, to negotiate and execute a license agreement with Ocean Park Community Center dba The People Concern, subject to the terms and conditions substantially outlined in the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument report dated December 12, 2022, and review by the City Attorney's Office.
- 5. APPROVE the following action:
 - a. Encourage the General Manager of El Pueblo de Historical Monument to work with the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to potentially identify operational funds to offset the loss of parking revenue from Parking Lot 5.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument. Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on January 18, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered an El Pueblo de Historical Monument report and Resolution relative to approving the proposed License Agreement with Ocean Park Community Center dba The People Concern, to operate and maintain the existing El Puente Bridge Housing facility located on Parking Lot 5, located at 711 North Alameda Street in Council District 14, and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended to move forward the recommendations contained in the El Pueblo de Los Angeles Historical Monument report, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

MEMBER YES
RAMAN: YES
BLUMENFIELD: YES
HARRIS-DAWSON: YES
RODRIGUEZ: YES
LEE: YES

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