

STATUTORY EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO STATE CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15269(C), PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE (PRC) SECTION 21080(B)(4), AND PRC SECTION 21080.27 (AB 1197); and HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to funding allocation, construction, lease or similar agreement, and operation of an interim housing facility on the City-owned property located at 2377 Midvale Avenue in Council District 5.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. ADOPT the determination by the BOE that the action is statutorily exempt from the CEQA pursuant to PRC Section 21080(b)(4), as specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as also reflected in the State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c); and under PRC Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles homeless shelters.
2. APPROVE the September 29, 2023 City Administrative Officer (CAO) report, and September 29, 2023 Bureau of Engineering (BOE) report, attached to the Council file.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that the recommendations will be funded with the City's General Fund previously approved for homelessness interventions and the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Round 1 funds. There is no additional impact to the General Fund as a result of the recommendations in the report. Funding for operations of the site will be programmed in a future funding report.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO further reports that the recommendations in the report comply with the City Financial Policies in that budgeted funds are being used to fund recommended actions.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY:

On October 4, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered the September 29, 2023 CAO and BOE reports relative to the funding allocation, construction, lease or similar agreement, and operation of an interim housing facility that the City-owned located at 2377 Midvale Avenue; and a CEQA exemption determination that the project is statutorily exempt under PRC Section 21080(b)(4) as specific action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as also reflected in CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c); and under PRC Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to the City's emergency homeless shelters. The reports attached to the Council file include some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations reflected above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

| <u>MEMBER</u>  | <u>VOTE</u> |
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| RAMAN:         | YES         |
| BLUMENFIELD:   | YES         |
| HARRIS-DAWSON: | YES         |
| RODRIGUEZ:     | YES         |
| LEE:           | YES         |

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