

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: RE: Council File 23-1066 Interim Housing Project – Midvale/Pico
We believe that an alternative site can be found and are extremely disappointed that our Council District office continues to pursue the Midvale/Pico location parking lot for interim homeless housing. This whole process seems to continue to be rushed through the necessary channels of government for a quick approval, without even our Westside Neighborhood Council weighing in. This is unacceptable behavior from our City. We would hope that all the decision makers should have the complete information for such an important issue to be resolved. To date this has not happened. Two worthwhile alternate sites to provide housing and services have been found that are much more amenable to our residential community, and would house many more numbers than the Midvale/Pico site, without being adjacent to the lovely single family homes in our fine community. The Cotner site is especially worthy, as it is already bounded by City property and a freeway and would cost much less. This is a Community Supported Homeless Shelter for 120 unhoused individuals. We as a single family homeowners are not NIMBYs. We already have a Social Services building and a Mental Health facility within our Rancho Park community, and two low income housing projects, all of which were the result of community efforts over the past years. Our Westwood Gardens Civic Assn., Inc. supports this alternative on Cotner, and opposes the Midvale/Pico site. Thank you for your kind consideration of our opinions and hope that you will support our position too.
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