

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Greg White

**Date Submitted:** 11/15/2020 02:43 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1376

**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello! I live in Brentwood, just off San Vicente Blvd and I was wondering if anything is being done to address the growing tent city on the western border of the VA campus. It is increasingly crowded with people, which does not seem like the best idea during our covid pandemic. Additionally, traffic lanes are often blocked with grills, parked cars, and garbage, making it unsafe for motorists.

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**Name:** Camille Yui

**Date Submitted:** 11/15/2020 12:15 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I live within CD7 and am very concerned with this being passed, I am in favor of this being passed. I like many residents see the deterioration of the city. The encampments are growing at a fast pace, without it being controlled or having any regard for residents. This is of great importance to tax payers and residents. If you ever run errands in an area filled with homeless encampments, you will know safety is often compromised and an individual may often witness drug use. According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, approximately 38% of homeless are dependent on alcohol with 26% abusing other drugs. Unfortunately this is the case for many people that camp outside people's homes in the CD7 area. Being under the influence of a substance often enables impair judgement and impacts residents of the community. As witnessed by many residents, there has been open drug use and dangerous behavior in this district. In addition, the amount of debris and trash in the surrounding areas have been troublesome and shameful. Passing this will only have a positive impact for residents and those that need help. This would enable people to utilize the resources that are often overlooked or ignored. It would also impose additional pressure to build additional units of affordable housing. Please let this be an opportunity for change. Thank you for your time.



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## Communication from Public

**Name:** Bill Pitkin

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I live in Council District 12 and I urge you to oppose this motion. This inhumane action would do nothing to solve the human crisis of homelessness. Actions that restrict sit/lie like this motion do nothing more than move people around, creating even more trauma for people and wasting precious time and money provided by taxpayers. At a time of severe fiscal deficit and during a pandemic, the City Council should focus all of its energies in keeping people safe and providing HOUSING and SERVICES to people living on our streets. This ordinance would simply make things worse. Until the City provides sufficient housing for people to live in, this type of action is counterproductive.