

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Janelle Hoffman

**Date Submitted:** 04/21/2021 10:40 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** Housing people at beach locations is totally unacceptable! These are areas where families can gather with their children to get away from apartment life, the stresses of COVID, places where people can relax and experience joy and places that attract tourists! Now, families have to worry about drug paraphernalia, violent mentally ill people, scammers, etc. - who would want to there. Tourists certainly won't want to and what will that do to the California economy? How will businesses and individuals be able to pay the high taxes that are imposed upon the public? Why not find some place on the interior land where law abiding, families will not be impacted? Put them at the Pomona Fair Grounds - put them in other places that the County owns? Why not determine who wants to have housing, which are the mentally ill, and who are the ones who just want a free ride? Once determine, tackle the situation with the goals to help house the ones who want and deserve it. Do not take away from the many for the few. It will destroy our economy and you will find that people will not come to visit Los Angeles, and that the exodus from the City will increase. Find other solutions!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Chip Mallek

**Date Submitted:** 04/21/2021 11:16 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** After seeing what has exploded (from 20 to 80+ tents) at Westchester Park and the lack of “management/security” offered by parks and recreation and city officials and the over 60 calls to LAPD in the last two months I/we can’t support this option as a respectable solution to the homeless situation. My letter to leadership has fallen on deaf ears, so we must not accept motion. This is NOT “safe camping”!

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 04/21/2021 11:16 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** 1. I am a resident of Los Angeles. 2. I OPPOSE the use of Los Angeles public parks and beaches for housing the homeless. These public spaces should be kept clean and safe for the recreation of tax paying citizens and their families. 3. I demand permanent campuses to be built for the care and shelter of the homeless, at scale, and with full public approval. 4. VOTE NO on Motion 21-0350 5. Thank you for listening to your taxpayers.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** saddened resident

**Date Submitted:** 04/11/2021 08:57 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** Instead of a park used by tax-paying citizens, why not land that is not used by the public. LA City has over 7000 parcels of land listed as not used as intended and little hope of generating any tax revenue. And don't consider converting a hotel or apartment into a shelter in expensive real estate communities either. Yes, some hotels are struggling now because of Covid, but they will return to become the tax-revenue goose that lays the golden eggs for the city again. Ramada Inn Marina Del Rey on Washington Blvd, Venice, has 33 rooms... If it was run as a hotel estimating a low figure of \$150 per night, 90% occupancy for the year, and 12% hotel tax, that would be approximately \$5913 tax per room per year. Or over \$195,000 in taxes collected for city use. Also, employees of the hotel would be paying state and local income taxes on their salary working for the hotel. Don't forget property taxes the owner would also have to pay the city. We forfeit all of that now by using the valuable real estate property as a shelter instead. Guess how the municipality is going to make up for those lost tax revenue AND guess who is paying to run the shelter?? This is terrible wasteful use of expensive beach area property. Fiscally irresponsible. Don't make similar mistakes with popular parks and beaches.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Check Please

**Date Submitted:** 04/11/2021 08:15 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Use already owned city land in areas closer to County services such as health/psychiatric medical centers, justice court system, social services, job training, Union Mission food services, etc. These tiny home shelters are relatively fast to assemble, received well by the homeless, and received well by tax-paying citizens....  
<https://capitalandmain.com/are-tiny-homes-the-solution-to-homelessness-in-los-angeles>.  
Eugene, OR, has assembled more permanent tiny home villages such that tenants help construct the homes and pay an affordable rent when they move in..  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KX2\\_Q5ejUpc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KX2_Q5ejUpc)

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 04/19/2021 05:29 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Mike Bonin wishes to turn Mar Vista Park as well as our beach parking lots into tent cities and small home sites for the homeless. Yes, let's give the homeless multi-million dollar beach front property as well as prime park property for free. No rent paid, no property taxes collected, for this property by these occupants. This must really piss off the beach adjacent property owners who have paid millions of dollars for their beach front property as well as high property taxes. Mar Vista Park adjacent homes are also multi-million dollar homes and I am sure it pleases the home owners that the park is possibly going to be filled with tents and small homes, rent and tax free. Has anyone ever thought of placing the homeless in the vacant land along Vista del Mar which once had homes many years ago? Yes, the home were bought by the airport because the people complained of the airport noise. The homeless camp along the freeways, under freeway overpasses, along busy streets, anywhere that they wish to pitch their tent or lay their body down. Why not put them in the vacant land below the airport. There are streets already there and I am sure they would not mind the occasional noise of a jet overhead. No worse than living in the underbrush along the freeway. Might even be quieter! This would keep them out of our parks and off our beaches which we the tax paying citizens of Los Angeles pay for! I am sure the airport neighbors do not want homeless housed on the airport property because it will attract more homeless into the area. I think your solution would be to take some desert land in Los Angeles County, where there are no towns or cities near by, and create a small home community with space for RV's and tents. Offer Mental Health services, Drug Rehab services, medical services. Once the homeless are treated and able to function properly, offer job training, halfway houses, and jobs in the community to the people. Make it a self sufficient community. I seriously doubt you would even consider this solution. This city and county like to throw tax payers money at the problem but not in a practical way. The City of Los Angeles would rather destroy our parks so children have no place to play, and destroy our beaches so the people of Los Angeles cannot enjoy our beaches because they are full of tents, small homes, RV's, etc, all rent and tax free.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ryan G

**Date Submitted:** 04/21/2021 12:21 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Filling up District 11's parking lots, parks, public beaches and any open public land with projects for for the unhoused is an unsustainable solution. Will we stop when 25% of them are occupied? 50%? 75%? What happens when all those spaces are inhabited? Then what's the plan? What's an acceptable amount of sacrifice from the community that lives in permanent housing? What will we do then? Instead of playing out this experiment that will inevitably lead to more crime and unrest in the communities, we should adopt radically new policies that will involve social work one-on-one with each individual to find the best outcome for them, but none of those outcomes should be allowing those individuals to continue to sleep on the streets, parking lots or parks.