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Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, Chair
Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee
Attn: Eric Villanueva, Legislative Assistant

RE: COUNCIL FILE TRANSMITTAL

On August 12, 2021, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered the following: City Administrative Officer (CAO) report, dated July 28, 2021, relative to the Street Engagement Strategy in response to Motion (Krekorian, et al. - Price), approved on June 29, 2021, Council file 20-1376. After consideration, the Committee moved to approve the CAO report as amended as follows:

1. ADOPT the recommendations outlined in the CAO report, dated July 28, 2021, titled "Report Back: Street Engagement Strategy" as updated in the CAO presentation to the Homelessness and Poverty Committee on August 12, 2021 (see Attachment) and codified in the Homelessness and Poverty Committee Report.
2. DIRECT the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), in coordination with the CAO, to ensure that the pending CLA report back for Council Files 21-0329 (Krekorian-Price-Raman-Ridley-Thomas) and 21-0031 (Bonin-Raman-Harris-Dawson-Rodriguez-De Leon) aligns with the Street Engagement Strategy.
3. DIRECT the CAO and CLA, in coordination with multi-disciplinary teams staffed by homeless service provider non-profits, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, the Bureau of Sanitation, and appropriate Department of Health, Mental and Public Health representatives, to convene a working group to assess, select and triage one pilot location in each Council District to implement the Street Engagement Strategy and report back to the Homelessness and Poverty Committee in February 2022 on the results and lessons learned.
4. DIRECT the CAO to work with Council Offices to fund Homelessness Roadmap projects, to ensure there are adequate resources to aid the unhoused individuals engaged through the street engagement process into suitable interim and permanent housing.

The file is now transmitted to the Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee.



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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:	YES
KEVIN DE LEON:	YES
JOE BUSCAINO:	NO
MONICA RODRIGUEZ:	ABSENT
NITHYA RAMAN:	YES

20-1376

Council file 20-1376

Amendments to the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report dated July 28, 2021, as presented by the CAO at the Homelessness and Poverty Committee Meeting on August 12, 2021.

Proposed Amendments to Strategy Procedures

- In the Responsible Party column, Attachment 1, Steps 1-7 (in the CAO report, dated July 28, 2021, attached to the Council file) insert “*in coordination with Council Office,*” in determining the lead for the “Street to Home” engagement.
- Replace the terms “concentrated engagement” with “Street to Home” engagement.
- Delete the requirement that a motion must be introduced for both “Street to Home” engagements and the implementation of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 41.18 c-d, and replace with an introduction of a resolution -- only for the implementation of 41.18.
- The resolution should:
 - Include findings related to the proposed designation as outlined in LAMC Section 41.18, c.1-4; and
 - If the proposed site is encamped, the resolution should be approved pending the completion a “Street to Home” engagement.
- Replace the bullet points in # 7 Compliance (LAMC Section 41.18, c 1-4 and d) on Page 8 of the CAO report with the following:
 - During the 14-day period after the signage has been posted, outreach teams will continue to conduct outreach to anyone remaining on the site.
 - If enforcement of 41.18 is required to remove a person from the site, LAHSA shall provide an offer of suitable housing/shelter immediately prior to any enforcement-activity *taking place and shall document that offer*. This documentation must include the person's name, the housing option offered, the date and location the offer was made, and the name and contact information of the person making the offer. The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) will maintain this documentation and provide it to the City Attorney's Office as needed for enforcement purposes and/or legal proceedings.
- Replace Recommendation No. 1 in the CAO report, date July 28, 2021 with:
 - APPROVE the proposed Street Engagement Strategy as a pilot, through January 31, 2022, to implement LAMC Section 41.18, c.1-4, and d, if encampments are present at a proposed designated use site;

- Replace Recommendation No. 3 in the report with:
 - REQUEST that the LAHSA use the 17 City-funded Homeless Engagement Teams (HETs) for this effort, in partnership with Council Offices, the Service Program Area (SPA) leads, and the County of Los Angeles Multi-Disciplinary Teams;
- Replace Recommendation No. 4 in the report with
 - APPROVE the transfer of the \$4,224,465 from the Unappropriated Balance, Fund No. 100/58, Account No. 580325 Homeless Engagement Teams to the General City Purposes, Fund No. 100/56, Account No.000826 Homeless Shelter Program, and appropriate therefrom to the Los Angeles Housing Department Fund No. 10A/43, Account No. 43V686 Homeless Engagement Teams to fund the remaining nine (9) months of the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority’s 13 Homeless Engagement Teams (HETs) for Fiscal Year 2021-22;
- Replace Recommendation No. 5 in the report with:
 - INSTRUCT the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department, or designee, to amend the City's 2021-22 General Fund Contract with the LAHSA to add \$4,224,465 for salaries and expenses for nine (9) months for the 13 LAHSA’s Homeless Engagement Teams (HETS) through June 30, 2022, and to further amend the City’s 2021 General Fund Contract to include the following reporting requirements and deliverables:
 - For all “Street to Home” engagements to implement LAMC Section 41.18 LAHSA must submit the Encampment Assessment Form (Attachment 2) and provide the following:
 - Weekly reports during the assessment period;
 - Bi-weekly reports during the engagement period;
 - The weekly and biweekly reports will include, services offered, housing interventions needed, placements to date, and
 - An after-action report two (2) weeks after final clean-up outlining final date on housing placement (interim and permanent), services provided, best practices that proved effective and lessons learned;
- Replace Recommendation No. 5 in the report with (continued):
 - If enforcement of 41.18 is required to remove a person from the site, LAHSA shall provide an offer of suitable housing/shelter immediately prior to any

enforcement activity taking place and shall document that offer. This documentation must include the person's name, the housing option offered, the date and location the offer was made, and the name and contact information of the person making the offer. LAHSA will maintain this documentation and provide it to the City Attorney's Office as needed for enforcement purposes and/or legal proceedings.

- Collect interim and permanent housing retention rates for all placements
- In addition, for non-LAMC 41.18 outreach, LAHSA should provide:
 - Monthly outreach reports that include, persons contacted, people served, interim and permanent housing placements.
 - The reports outlined in a-b above should be provided to the Los Angeles Housing Department with a copy to the CAO Outreach Coordinator.
- Replace Recommendation No. 6 in the report with:
 - DIRECT the CAO to report within 60 days on recommendations on alternative models to support voluntary compliance of LAMC Section 41.18, c.1-4 and to report back by February 2022 on:
 - Additional resources needed for the street engagement strategy;
 - Funding and/or reimbursement to the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) for the cost of signage and posting to implement LAMC Section 41.18, c-d;
 - Need for additional data system to report outcomes and accomplishments; and
 - Assessment of the outreach engagement strategy, include both interim housing placements and permanent housing placements and retention rates;
 - Whether the City should issue a Request for Proposals (RPF) for outreach services.