

STATUTORY EXEMPTION and HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to funding, tenant improvements, and operation of two bridge housing facilities, to provide crisis shelter services at 1300 - 1332 West Slauson Avenue and 2521 - 2525 Long Beach Avenue.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Price - Ridley-Thomas), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. DETERMINE the Crisis and Bridge Housing facilities at 1300 -1332 West Slauson Avenue and 2521 -2525 Long Beach Avenue, which allow tenant improvements and the operation as temporary homeless shelters for those experiencing homelessness, are statutorily exempt under Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21080(b)(4) as specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as reflected in California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline Section 15269(c); PRC Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles emergency homeless shelters; and, because the projects use "Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program funds," these are also exempt under Governor's Order N-32-20.
2. REPROGRAM \$2,043,164 allocated for rehabilitation costs to establish up to 100 interim housing beds at 1332 West Slauson Avenue in Council District 9 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-COVID) from Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services to Fund No. 424, Account No. 43T9CV, CV-19 Pallet Shelters for future Roadmap costs.
3. REPROGRAM \$2,033,164 in savings allocated for construction of the two Tiny Home Village sites in Council District 2 to the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T695 from the following accounts:
 - a. \$33,164 from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T612, Tiny Home Village at 11471 Chandler Boulevard.
 - b. \$2,000,000 from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T620, Tiny Home Village at 12600 Saticoy.
4. TRANSFER up to \$2,043,164 to Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services from the following accounts:
 - a. \$10,000 from Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Category 1 - A Bridge Home Capital.

- b. \$2,033,164 from the Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 63M, Department No. 10, Account No. 10T695.
- 5. REPROGRAM \$1,375,233 allocated for rehabilitation costs to establish up to 220 interim housing beds at 2521-2525 Long Beach Boulevard in Council District 9 from Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services to:
 - a. \$538,329 in the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - COVID to Fund No. 517, Account No. 43TA43, Homekey Rehab and transfer therefrom to Fund No. 517, Account No. 43VC9V for future COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap costs.
 - b. \$836,904 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-COVID) to Fund No. 424, Account No. 43T9CV, CV-19 Pallet Shelters.
- 6. TRANSFER up to \$1,375,233 from the Additional Homeless Services General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931 to Fund No. 100, Department No. 10, Account No. 003040, contractual services.
- 7. APPROVE the following State of California HHAP Program reprogramming actions to reconcile HHAP Funding Categories:
 - a. Rescind the approved recommendation 11 in the City Administrative Officer (CAO) Report on the State of California HHAP Program, dated January 14, 2021, Council File 19-0914.
 - b. Reprogram \$4,485,604.69 within the State HHAP Grant Fund No. 62Y as follows:
 - i. \$1,638,621.56 from HHAP Category 3 - Prevention, Shelter Diversion to Permanent Housing and Bridge Housing Operations to HHAP Category 1 - A Bridge Home Capital.
 - ii. \$211,983.13 from HHAP Category 6 - Youth to HHAP Category 1 - A Bridge Home Capital.
 - iii. \$2,635,000 from HHAP Category 5 - Street Strategy, Outreach, Public Health, and Hygiene to HHAP Category 7 - Administrative Costs.
- 8. AUTHORIZE the CAO to prepare Controller instructions or make any necessary technical adjustments consistent with the intent of these transactions, and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement these instructions as amended.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY:

At a regular meeting held on September 9, 2021, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered a Bureau of Engineering (BOE) report, dated September 7, 2021, and Motion (Price - Ridley-Thomas) relative to a Statutory Exemption under CEQA, for funding, tenant improvements, and operation of two bridge housing facilities, to provide crisis shelter services located at 1300 - 1332 West Slauson Avenue and 2521 - 2525 Long Beach Avenue.

During the discussion, a representative from the CAO provided amendments to include the CEQA clearance language to the agenda item description and to delete recommendations 9 through 13 in Motion (Price - Ridley-Thomas).

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the BOE report and adopt the Motion as amended. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
RIDLEY-THOMAS:	YES
DE LEÓN:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
RAMAN:	YES

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