

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Members of the Council. As a 25 year Venice resident and homeowner I have seen the lack of affordable housing spiral and homelessness explode. That is why I enthusiastically support the construction of the Reese-Davidson project along the underutilized median between North and South Venice boulevard. I understand that there is a movement by some candidates in the CD11 race to try to cancel the project even after it received the necessary approvals. Do not let them do this. Permanent supportive housing is the best solution to getting people off the street, as today's op-ed in the Santa Monica Daily News by RAND researchers Sarah Hunter and Jason Ward points out.
<https://www.smdp.com/camping-bans-and-group-shelters-unlikely-to-solve-homelessness-crisis/217877> The City has neglected it's responsibility to build housing for decades and it is time to remedy that. I firmly support this project and hope you will honor your commitment to it. Rick Garvey, 234 Horizon #5, Venice, CA 90291