

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES REPORT relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code to allow “shelters for the homeless” and other forms of interim housing to be established and operated on properties located outside of certain zoning designations during a declared shelter crisis; and streamlining the administrative process to allow existing and new/temporary shelters to extend their operation or be made permanent; and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Bonin – Raman – Harris-Dawson – Blumenfield):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning (DCP), with assistance from other relevant Departments, to report in 45 days with options to amend Sections 12.03, 12.80, and 12.81 of the LAMC to allow "shelters for the homeless" and other forms of interim housing to be established and operated on properties located outside of R3, RAS3, R4, RAS4, R5, C2, C4, C5, CM, M1, M2, and M3 zones during a declared shelter crisis.
2. INSTRUCT the DCP, with assistance from other relevant Departments, to report back 45 days with options to amend Section 14.00 of the LAMC to streamline the administrative approval of "shelters for the homeless" as a public benefit project. The report shall consider expanding where shelters can operate as a matter of right, allowing for a broader array of innovative interim housing solutions by reducing or eliminating certain objective zoning requirements, revising existing performance standards to reflect current best practices, and explore additional strategies to facilitate the provision of interim housing.
3. INSTRUCT the DCP, with assistance from the City Attorney, to report in 45 days with options that identify a streamlined processes to allow existing and new emergency/temporary shelters to extend their operation or be made permanent in order to provide greater certainty on potential future operation under the LAMC.

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes

Against:

Mar Vista Community Council
Venice Neighborhood Council
Westside Neighborhood Council
West Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Chatsworth Neighborhood Council

For:

Reseda Neighborhood Council
Echo Park Neighborhood Council
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

Neutral:

Del Rey Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on February 24, 2022, the Homelessness and Poverty Committee considered Motion (Bonin - Raman - Harris-Dawson - Blumenfield) relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code to allow “shelters for the homeless” and other forms of interim housing to be established and operated on properties located outside of certain zoning designations during a declared shelter crisis; and streamlining the administrative process to allow existing and new/temporary shelters to extend their operation or be made permanent; and related matters. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion, as detailed above. On May 10, 2022, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee considered the Motion and concurred with the action taken by the Homelessness and Poverty Committee. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
DE LEÓN	YES
RAMAN	YES
BUSCAINO	NO
RODRIGUEZ	ABSENT
BLUMENFIELD	YES

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
CEDILLO	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
LEE	YES
RODRIGUEZ	YES

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