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Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Item 50 - DENY Motion to execute a new lease or renew existing lease for A Bridge Home, 100 Sunset Ave, Venice 90201 Council File 18-0510-S2
Dear Councilmembers and Staff

I am writing this to you to ask for you to either deny or postpone the extension of the lease on the Venice Bridge House as there has been little warning to the public as to this request.

I live directly across the street from the Venice ABH - and while I admire their work and the home it has unhoused people, I am troubled by the lack of management from CD11 regarding the many safety issues that have arisen in our neighborhood.

It seems fair to me that before the City extends a lease for a gigantic public housing project, input from neighbors would be at least fair.

Councilmember Bonin and CD11 have refused to acknowledge the concerns of the public as to safety and sanitation, whilst ignoring the fact that these concerns directly affect the guests of the Venice Bridge House.

The neighborhood has seen a gigantic spike in crime, and Councilmember Bonin has continually refused to sanitize the streets surrounding the ABH Venice that now contain close to 100 encampment tents.

I beg of you to please listen to reason and to deny or postpone the renewal of the lease to the Venice Bridge House.

Our neighborhood has been lied to and abandoned as is - and very few unhoused people have actually found housing.

It's time to come up with a better plan.

Councilmember De Leon I'm counting on you.

Thank you,
Christina Tullock
Venice Constituent

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Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Venice Bridge House

Dear Councilmembers:

I gather that there is a motion to renew or extend the lease to the A Bridge Home project (ABH) at the Metro 6 site in Venice. I live right opposite the Bridge housing.

I would like it to go on record that I oppose this motion as there has not been enough public discussion about it. There needs to be input from the people who live right next to the Bridge housing, including the waiver of consideration by the Information, Technology, and General Services Committee. It also appears that no notice to surrounding property seems to have been required or provided which is extremely odd.

Right from when the bridge housing was first proposed to residents of Venice commitments have been broken. We were forced into it being accepted and told that all sorts of things would happen once it was built. As residents living on top of the bridge housing we feel we were duped and deceived by Bonin and do not want this to simply be waived through without discussion. Instead of improving the homeless situation in our immediate neighborhood of Venice it has made it worse for both the housed and unhoused community. It has generated serious safety and health problems for both housed and unhoused, including people being attacked, shot and killed.

Given the above serious concerns, surely there needs to be a proper public process where residents are invited to be part of the discussion about the future of the bridge housing. We were invited to the early discussions about whether it should be built or not and the majority view amongst residents was that it should absolutely **not** be built. Our views were not heeded. Are we not being invited to share our views this time because Bonin and his crew simply don't want to hear them any more? Is this what democracy now looks like in Venice? It is astonishing that this is considered a fair way to proceed.

Thank you for your consideration,
Rebecca Wilson
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Dear Honorable Councilmembers:

I'm reaching out as a concerned neighbor - I live on Main Street near the disaster that has been the A Bridge Home project.

When the ABH was first proposed, I attended one of the in person meetings at the Westminster Elementary School. Mike Bonin and Eric Garcetti promised us so many things to make the alarming idea of placing a homeless shelter in the middle of our small neighborhood more palatable. Increased security surrounding the shelter, increased patrols to ensure our safety, and increased clean up in the blocks around the shelter. Most important of all, they promised to help the people living in filth and squalor move to housing.

Not one of these promises have been kept. I understand that you all claim COVID rules and restrictions prohibited you from keeping the most basic of promises. But the hundreds of tents that were allowed to proliferate across from the ABH was shocking, and the dozens that are still UP AND IN PLACE NOW continue to amaze the neighborhood. Are you aware that at one point, the majority of the people living in the ABH also kept tents nearby on the street?

The trash surrounding the ABH continues to stun me - and I know because I walk the block on Saturdays with gloves and a bag to clean it up. The tents on the street, the cars being used as homes, and the garbage that accumulates all around the ABH is incredible to me.

The safety concerns for our small neighborhood are outrageous. The shootings and stabbings around the ABH are abundant, and the general feeling of chaos and danger is present any time you walk near the shelter.

But most of all it's the lack of success for the people you promised to help that is most perplexing of all. Why would you continue to run a program THAT DOES NOT WORK. Why would you extend an program that HAS CLEARLY FAILED. Why can't you admit that this is a disaster, close it as you promised us you would after three years, and move on to something that will actually help the homeless people in our neighborhood? The money that has been spent for almost zero results makes me sick to my stomach.

Your goal was to house 600 people per year - 1200 people within the first two years of opening. Only 30 residents have been housed in the two years - 2.5% of the stated potential. How can you possibly look at this as a success and a solution for the people living on the streets in Venice today? Why can't we create and execute on something that actually works to help people?

I'm begging you to reconsider the extension. This should not be voted on or decided by the current council - let's wait until the new Councilperson for CD 11 is sworn in, and we can have a real conversation about how to address this incredibly important issue.


Thank you.

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3 attachments

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