

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Homelessness and Poverty Committee, I am writing in support of this motion to restructure the relationship between the City of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Homelessness Services Authority (LAHSA). The way LAHSA is structured is inefficient and too bureaucratic to operate efficiently. The organization's structure is inefficient and is unable to provide support and assistance to the HOMELESS population. I have spoken to several LAHSA Outreach Team Engagement Members and they have told me that the structure and bureaucracy at LAHSA are not meeting the goals and needs of the homeless population. I studied Public Sector Management and I believe that the City of Los Angeles should have more 'control' over how it deals with the homelessness crisis. I believe that each city and town should have more authority and independence when dealing with issues and or problems that directly affect/impact the residents rather than a county agency such as LAHSA doing the job because they are unable to perform and meet the needs of the homeless population. Thank You, Lionel Mares