

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Good morning, my name is Zue Villareal, and I'm calling on general public comment, to ask that you agendize and approve the CLA's report on creating a Commission on Lived Experience for the city of LA. "I am an advocate for Individuals who are experiencing or have experienced homelessness, I have experienced homelessness myself for several years, And worked for a non profit for several years. I am now the current Co-chair of The Lived Experience Advisory Board for the Los Angeles Homeless service Authority and it's system partners in efforts that strive to end homelessness. Where I work to uplift the voices of those who are still struggling today with housing stability. A Commission on Lived Experience is desperately needed, as the voices of those of us who have experienced or continue to struggle with homelessness have been shut out or ignored by city hall for too long. Including those of us with lived expertise in decision making has been repeatedly shown to improve programs and outcomes, both in LA and across the country. It has been almost 6 months since the CLA finished their report, and we ask that you finally bring this important motion to a vote. Nothing about us, without us. Thank you.