

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: This continues to come up despite large opposition from residents and independent studies already performed by the Reseda Neighborhood Council indicating how detrimental this would be to the legacy business's that surround the lot. This is getting touted as affordable income housing when in public hearings prior to the pandemic had it started as transitional housing. This is a block from school and there was no notice to locals about the resurrection of this expired study. Blumfield is still trying to push this through secretly without taxpayers say or notification in order to avoid opposition. There was so much opposition at the last council meeting that made Blumfield uncomfortable he had to abruptly exit as he was unprepared. Studies have already shown the lot to be at 95% capacity on any given day yet we continue to perform more studies. The lots off Canby or Darby to be underutilized and more appropriate. We don't oppose the housing just the use of this location which overperforms in comparison to all other lots. I don't think the public understand the cost of these studies, this is a waste of tax payers dollars. Blumfield continues to waste funds better directed to clean up streets, sidewalks and graffiti removal and instead is set on destroying Reseda versus areas of Encino or West Hills where the wealthy such as he live. He has already allowed a large chunk of property to be used for emergency shelters near the Reseda Metro station which has led to an uptick of crime and had deemed one parking lot unusable as it has been taken over by car theft and drug use as an outcome of these shelters. Blumfield has had many meetings on this before the pandemic in which he bussed in homeless advocacy groups to muffle the voice of the community that actually own business or reside around the lot or in Reseda proper. I have to question the motives of someone pushing to kill business in his jurisdiction versus spending these efforts and funds on improvements that will drive growth.