STATUTORY EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO STATE CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15269(C), PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE (PRC) SECTION 21080(B)(4), AND PRC SECTION 21080.27 (AB 1197); HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a lease extension for continued use of the crisis and bridge housing at 2817 South Hope Street; and the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round Three first funding report; and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. DETERMINE that the lease and continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing located at 2817 South Hope Street in Council District 9, is statutorily exempt from CEQA under PRC, Section 21080(b)(4), as a specific action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency, and as reflected in CEQA Guidelines, Section 15269(c); and PRC, Section 21080.27 (AB 1197), applicable to City of Los Angeles emergency homeless shelters. This determination is consistent with, and supported by, the City Council's prior actions for the development and use of the property as a shelter; and CEQA determination made on May 19, 2019, as referenced in Council file No. 18-0750.
- 2. APPROVE Recommendation Nos. 1 through 12, No. 15, No. 16 and Nos 18 through 28, contained in the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report dated May 12, 2023, attached to Council file No. 20-1524-S1.
- 3. ADD the following recommendation to the CAO report dated May 12, 2023, attached to the Council file:
  - 29. REPROGRAM \$3,396,405 from Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Round 3 (HHAP-3) Fund No. 65S/10, Account No. 10W741, FC-1 Interim Housing Operations and Capital Costs to HHAP-3 Fund No. 65S/10, Account No. 10W744, FC-4 Outreach, Hygiene, Prevention, and Supportive Services.
- 4. AMEND Recommendation Nos. 13 and 14, contained in the CAO report dated May 12, 2023, attached to the Council file, respectively, with the following:
  - 13. APPROVE \$3,000,000 from HHAP-3 Fund No. 65S/10, Account No. 10W744, FC-4 Outreach, Hygiene, Prevention and Supportive Services to Fund No. 65S/43, Account No. 43WB05, USC Street Medicine Team to continue the expanded Street Medicine services medical services for individuals experiencing homelessness who are unable to visit traditional, brick-and-mortar medical establishments from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
  - 14. INSTRUCT the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), or designee, to amend its contract (Contract No. C- 141111) with the University of Southern California, for the expansion of the street medicine services through June 30, 2024, with the allocations provided in the above Recommendation No. 13; and, INSTRUCT the CAO, to assist the LAHD, to report to Council with reporting metrics, and lead the coordination of the City's street medicine and unarmed crisis response efforts.
- 5. REPLACE Recommendation No. 17 contained in the CAO report dated May 12, 2023, attached to the Council file, respectively, with the following:
  - 17. APPROVE \$1,500,000 from HHAP-3 Fund No. 65S/10, Account No. 10W744, FC-4 Outreach, Hygiene, Prevention and Supportive Services to the CAO, Fund No. 65S/10, in a new account entitled "DHS Multi-Disciplinary Teams" for Multi-Disciplinary Teams in Council Districts 5, 8 and 9 for costs from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

a. TRANSFER \$1,500,000 from HHAP-3 Fund No. 65S/10 in the newly established account entitled "DHS Multi-Disciplinary Teams" to the CAO Fund No. 100/10, Account No. 003040, Contractual Services.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that there is no impact to the General Fund at this time. The City has received \$143,640,000 from the State through HHAP-3 to support the recommendations in this report.

<u>Financial Policies Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

## <u>SUMMARY</u>

At the meeting held on May 17, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered CAO and Bureau of Engineering (BOE) reports relative to a statutory exemption from CEQA; and lease extension for continued use of the crisis and bridge housing at 2817 South Hope Street; and the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round Three first funding report; and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the CAO, Councilmember Blumenfield, and Councilmember Harris-Dawson introduced amendments to the Committee. The Committee recommended to approve the CAO and BOE reports, and the amendments introduced during Committee, as detailed above, as amended. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

MEMBER YES
RAMAN: YES
BLUMENFIELD: YES
HARRIS-DAWSON: YES
RODRIGUEZ: YES
LEE: ABSENT

LV 5.17.23

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