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 lease extensions for continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing at 828 North Eubank Avenue and 3428 Riverside Drive; and the 18th report regarding COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap funding recommendations; and related matters.

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

- 1. DETERMINE the leases and continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing at 828 North Eubank Avenue and 3428 Riverside Drive are statutorily exempt from CEQA under PRC, Section 21080(b)(4), as specific actions 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 determinations made on for Eubank Avenue on December 12, 2018, and July 7, 2019, and for Riverside Drive on December 10, 2019 (Council file Nos.18-0651, 18-0651-S2 and 19-0126, respectively), as referenced in the Notice of Exemption dated June 16, 2023, attached to Council file No. 20-0841-S35
- 2. APPROVE Recommendation Nos. 1 through 5, Nos. 7 through 10, Nos. 13 through 18, No. 19.a, No. 20.a-c, No. 21 and No. 22, contained in the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report dated June 16, 2023, attached to Council file No. 20-0841-S35.
- 3. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on the agenda of the first regular Council meeting on July 1, 2023, or shortly thereafter, the following instructions:
 - a. REAPPROPRIATE up to \$4,209,571 from Additional Homeless Services General City Purposes (AHS-GCP) Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931, Additional Homeless Services.
 - REAPPROPRIATE up to \$11,432,218.13 of General City Purposes (GCP) funds from GCP Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000957, PRK COVID-19 Emergency Response.
 - c. REAPPROPRIATE up to \$585,600 of Roadmap County Funding Agreement funds from CAO Fund No. 100/10, Account No. 003040, Contractual Services for the operations of the Safe Parking program located at 5455 East 111th Street in Council District 11.
 - d. APPROPRIATE \$1,000,000 from AHS-GCP Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931, Additional Homeless Services to the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) Fund No. 10A/43, Account No. 43WB05, University of Southern California (USC) Street Medicine Team for one Street Medicine team in Council District 1.
 - e. INSTRUCT and AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee to amend its contract (Contract No. C-141111) with the USC to provide street medicine and housing services through June 30, 2024, to reflect the allocation provided in the above recommendation.
 - f. INSTRUCT and AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LAHD, or designee to amend its contract (Contract No. C-141111) with USC to provide street medicine and housing services through June 30, 2024, to reflect the \$1,000,000 provided to the LAHD in the 2023-24 Adopted Budget.

- 4. DELETE Recommendation No. 11 contained in the CAO report dated June 16, 2023, attached to the Council file.
- 5. REPLACE Recommendation Nos. 6 and 12 contained in the CAO report dated June 16, 2023, attached to the Council file, respectively, with the following:
 - 6. APPROVE \$805,200 of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 3 funds for Skid Row interim housing operations from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024:
 - a. APPROPRIATE \$805,200 from the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 3 Fund No. 65S/10, Account No. 10W742, FC-2 Skid Row Housing to Fund No. 65S/43, account number to be determined for 40 beds at the interim housing site located at 543 Crocker Street in Council District 14.
 - 12. REPROGRAM \$666,490 from Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act (ESG-CV) Fund No. 517/43, Account No. 43TCV1, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Rapid Re-Housing and Shared Housing-CV19 to ESG-CV Fund No. 517/43, Account No. 43TA42, Homekey Operations for operating costs for the following Project Homekey sites, through June 30, 2023:
 - a. \$331,420 to Mollie Maison
 - b. \$335,070 to The Layover
- 6. ADD and APPROVE the following recommendations to the CAO report dated June 16, 2023, attached to the Council file:
 - 19.b Reduce the Project Roomkey line item in LAHSA's contract by \$4,044,441 to reflect the reprogramming of savings.
 - 20.d Reflect the extension of expenditure authority deadline for the Arleta (Woodman) and Pano, a Project Homekey 1.0 (PHK 1.0) sites in Council District 6.
 - 23. RECOGNIZE \$6,044,441 in savings previously approved for Project Roomkey (Council file No. 22-0756, CAO report dated August 05, 2022) from the following departments:
 - a. \$2,000,000 from Personnel Department/City Clerk
 - b. \$4,044,441 from the LAHD/LAHSA
 - 24. REPROGRAM and APPROVE up to \$6,044,441 in savings allocated for Project Roomkey from General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000957, Project Roomkey COVID-19 Emergency Response to the Department of General Services Fund No. 100/63, Account No. 000026, Project Roomkey Leasing for damage claims incurred during the Project Roomkey operations through September 30, 2023.
 - 25. AUTHORIZE the extension of the expenditure authority deadline for the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 1 (Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 1 funds allocated to LAHSA to support rehabilitation costs for Pano, PHK 1.0 site in Council District 6, through December 31, 2023.
 - 26. AUTHORIZE the extension of the expenditure authority deadline for the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 1 and Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 2 funds allocated to LAHSA to support rehabilitation costs for the Woodman, PHK 1.0 site in Council District 6, through

December 31, 2023.

27. APPROVE up to \$10,752 (\$5,000 Salaries; \$5,752 Related Costs) of Encampment Resolution Funds Round 1 Fund No. 65T/10, Account No. 10W758, Encampment Resolution Fund - LA River Grant for the salaries of one Senior Administrative Analyst I and one Administrative Analyst at the Office of the CAO.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that there is an impact to the General Fund as a result of the recommendations in this report at this time. The recommendations in this report will be funded with the City's General Fund approved for homelessness interventions and the County service funding commitment from Fiscal Year 2022-23 and Fiscal Year 2023-24.

<u>Financial Policies Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that budgeted funds are being used to fund recommended actions.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on June 21, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered CAO and Bureau of Engineering reports relative to lease extensions for continued use of the Crisis and Bridge Housing at 828 North Eubank Avenue and 3428 Riverside Drive, and CEQA exemption determinations that, consistent with the Notices of Exemption already in the City Council's prior actions (Council File. Nos. 18-0651, 18-0651-S2 and 19-0126), the projects are statutorily exempt under Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4) as specific actions necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency as also reflected in CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c); and under Public Resources Code Section 21080.27 (AB 1197) applicable to City of Los Angeles emergency homeless shelters; and the 18th report regarding COVID-19 Homelessness Roadmap funding recommendations; and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended to move forward the recommendations contained in the CAO report, as detailed above, as amended. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

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

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