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On August 18, 2023, the Los Angeles City Council approved the acquisition and purchase of the Mayfair Hotel located at 1256 West 7th Street in Council District 1. The hotel was built in 1926 on a 37,200-square-foot parcel of land and consists of a 15-story, 294-room hotel. At \$83 million, the Mayfair will serve as the first of potentially many permanent interim housing sites owned by the City of Los Angeles.

The Mayor's Office has reassured City Council and city agencies that extensive on-site services will be provided to occupants at the Mayfair, including supportive services for physical health, mental health, and substance use disorders, as well as intensive case management, life skills classes, employment training, and housing navigation. Additionally, as part of this process, a vetted service provider with experience operating low to high-acuity interim housing projects will be selected by LAHSA.

Currently, options for a Community Advisory Board are being explored as a way to provide stakeholders the opportunity to both inform and learn about operations at the site in Council District 1. Ensuring that this model is successfully implemented and takes into account the needs of local communities early on in the process is critically important. Establishing a carefully considered and agreed-upon community input policy for future interim housing sites will allow the Council opportunities to make deliberative and consistent acquisition decisions if the City continues to shift its real estate policy toward interim housing solutions.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, City Attorney, Bureau of Engineering, General Services Department, and any other relevant departments, report back in 30 days with a framework for a citywide policy to guide the process, criteria, and timelines for formalizing property transactions and binding agreements related to site acquisition, rehabilitation, and renovations, as well as operations and maintenance, for city-owned interim housing. This should include recommendations for guardrails that allow the City to maintain compliance with the City's Fiscal Policy and an analysis of the City's capacity to acquire and maintain properties for this use. Specifically, the report should include:

- Criteria and analysis for selected locations;
- Cross-coordination and personnel-related resources needed among City departments for these efforts;
- Objectives that a capital improvement plan related to the rehabilitation or renovations of the property should cover, as well as criteria related to selecting a property manager;
- An extended (5-10 years, preferably) outlook of operational, maintenance, and system costs, inclusive of the long-term availability of applicable funding from City, county, state, and federal resources, such as Community Development Block Grants, or any other type of funding that does not result in potential impacts to the General Fund;
- An assessment of how potential sites are aligned with the City's recently adopted Housing Element, including in the adequate sites inventory, candidate sites inventory, rezoning strategies, adaptive reuse, and other related policy programs; and
- Policy change (fiscal, real estate, or other) that might be needed to formalize this model's success in the City.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Chief Legislative Analyst, with assistance from the Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department, Los Angeles Housing Department, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, and any other relevant departments, report back in 30 days on ways to work with local community members and stakeholders, both housed and unhoused, to help support the success of future sites. This should include the process needed for establishing Community Advisory Boards, a framework for helping guide the programming of services at the site, and any potential funding needed to ensure Community Advisory Boards meet their intended goals.

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