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ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 @ 7pm

Encino Community Center Crafts Room or adjacent
4935 Balboa Blvd. Encino, CA, 91316

Members Present: Pat Bates* (Chair), Samantha Greitzer*, Lauren Telegdy, Jodie Francisco, Janel Bishop, Katie Bull, Eve Greitzer, Nick Greitzer

* Indicates ENC Board Member or Alternate, no more than 5 Encino Neighborhood Council Board-Members or Alternates may be seated at a time to vote during a committee meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7: 04. A quorum was determined.
2. Chairperson made opening comments, introduced guest speaker Gary Blasi. Mr. Blasi spoke regarding solutions and how to get cooperation from city departments. Discussed alliances with other Neighborhood councils.
3. Brief updates were received from Chris Givens (CD 5), Blake Clayton (SUP. 3), and Denise Kniter (CA Senate, H. Stern)
4. Minutes of November 13 , 2019 Meeting were approved

The following Motions were all approved unanimously (8 yes, 0 abstain, 0 no)

- a. **Motion HOM 20-01 001: Board-and-Care Facilities:** The Encino Neighborhood Council will file a Community Impact Statement in support of Council Files 19-0002-S184 and 19-1516: Resolution 19-0002-S184 provides that the City of Los Angeles support any legislation or administrative action which would increase the State payment rate for licensed board and care facilities which serve vulnerable communities. Motion 19-1516 requests that the City Council instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department and the City Administrative Officer to work with the County of Los Angeles and any other appropriate entities, and report with recommendations to retain and preserve board-and-care facilities in the City; and recommend any legislative or administrative actions that the City could take to secure resources, including Mental Health Services Act funding, to preserve these facilities. Most residents of these facilities are at high risk for becoming

homeless in the event of closure; the last thing needed is to have more severely disabled people landing on the streets.

b. Motion HOM 20-01 002: Managed Encampment and Shared Housing: The Encino Neighborhood Council will file a Community Impact Statement in support of Council File 19-1413 Motion recommending that the CAO explore the applicability of the Modesto encampment model in Los Angeles, and also to explore feasibility and implementation of a Shared Housing Program. In support of this motion, it is important to keep in mind that a solution which might not be workable in one area of the City of Los Angeles could work well in a different area. We need all the tools in the toolbox.

c. Motion HOM 20-01 003: Loose Litter Program: The Encino Neighborhood Council will file a Community Impact Statement in favor of Council File Motion 19-1526 to fund a litter abatement program that would employ homeless individuals. This program would assist homeless individuals by providing paid employment, job training, career development services and a pipeline to full-time City employment as well as housing and other supportive services as needed. It is long overdue.

d. Motion HOM 20-01 004: LAHSA Performance Data: The Encino Neighborhood Council will file a Community Impact Statement in support of Council File Motion 19-1524 requesting that LAHSA produce a detailed accounting of all its funding sources expenses by category, program, and provider, and any other performance data that it has collected on its programs over the past 4 years in order to identify the strengths and weaknesses of programs and partners, and better prioritize the programs that perform best at achieving long term sustainable solutions to homelessness. The most recent financial statements I can find for LAHSA is for fiscal year ending 6/30/17. There is a lot of money going through LAHSA and it is important that there be transparency and accountability on the use of public funds.

e. Motion HOM 20-01 005: Eviction Prevention and Homeless Prevention Services: The Encino Neighborhood Council will file a Community Impact Statement in support of council File Motion 19-1556 requesting that the CAO submit to the Homeless Strategy Committee for review and approval a funding request totaling \$6 million in HHAPP funds to augment the "Eviction Prevention and Homeless Prevention Services" line item in the City budget. This is yet another way to try to stem the influx of newly-homeless people.

12.Date of next Homelessness Committee Meeting is March 11, 2020

13 Adjournment by 8:50 pm