

9/21/2019 Minutes

8. Rose makes motion to submit letter to LA Sanitation. 4, 0 0 — motion unanimously passes.

9. Rose - why can't it be safe parking at night?

The armory has been in design phase for 5 years.

Discussing possible spaces for shelter. Very few spaces.

The controller's office — interactive map to ID what gov't owned / public parcels are city owned.

Edna Degollado said she'd sit down with Homelessness Cmte.

Churches or Religious Organizations that would be willing to provide Safe Parking.

Reach out to Mayor's Homelessness Team to discuss going about finding Safe Parking.

B talk to GPNC about how the process got started.

Police Museum Parking Lot — another possible site. Leasing site for \$ 1 / year.

Not making these spaces only for people who have cars. A space where people are allowed to set up their tent at night.

Hours are from 7 pm to 7 am.

Stakeholder — what about Westfield Eagle Rock Plaza Parking Structure, bottom floor

Rose makes a motion for board to authorize this committee to speak to Reps from Mayors Office and CD14 about ID-ing places and starting the process for securing Safe Parking and Safe Sleeping Areas. Yaya Seconds. 4, 0, 0

10. Rose - This extends to women's needs. Another way we could support our unhoused neighbors and people who are already struggling income wise.

Yaya makes motion. B seconds the motion. 4, 0, 0

11. This motion looking into using part of the parking lot that's there to serve as Temp Emergency Facilities for people experiencing homelessness. ERNC ID'd this place as one of the places to serve as a shelter. It is our sister community. Early stage to just look at location for either Temp Bridge Housing, Hygiene Center, or Safe Parking. Temp Bridge Housing on Schrader near YMCA — called "Membrane Structure". Temporary Structure that's durable. Yaya makes motion, Rose seconds. 4,0,0

12. Shannon (Stakeholder) proposed agenda item to Cmte. Oppose possible city council legislation - stigmatizes and labels all homeless as criminals — even though they are mostly vulnerable populations; it's inappropriate to view/ treat them as criminals. Treat issues holistically, and not criminalizing. Not enough shelter beds right now, so where are people supposed to go. Goes against mission of the city. For some of these folks, can be hard because of PTSD, addiction — trust issue — especially if the LAPD are primary agency dealing with them. Outreach workers with some the tougher populations. This is also impractical. LAPD has the ability to ticket folks with tents from 6 pm - 9 am. Can tell people to move due to ADA. Adopting more restrictions when they are unenforceable is impractical — LAPD has neither the resources or money or staff to take down every tent. LAPD already has the legal tools. Boise v. Martin said if there's nowhere for someone to go, you can't criminalize homelessness. There are communities like in Hollywood for example, families cannot pass through main thoroughfares due to people blocking away. Stakeholder: If ticket homeless people, how are they supposed to pay for it? People use the park because they have no other place to use the restroom, wash their hands, get water. Unless the City makes permanent

hygiene/hydration stations all around, then parks are the only place people can go. Discussing the complexities involving banning encampments around schools — they are not necessarily more likely to be a danger to kids, more than housed people or homeowners. Also, considering there are 221 unhoused children / families. Rose makes motion, Yaya seconds, 3, 0, 1 abstention

13. Treating mentally ill. Vocational school. Moratorium on condominium conversion / luxury housing. Vacancy control — when tenants move out of RSO, rent gets doubled to become unaffordable. Steve made motion to revisit, Rose seconds, 4, 0, 0

14. Why are the mentally ill hospitalized? Can only be committed if they are a danger to self or others — tied to deinstitutionalization. There should be middle ground.

Shannon: Think about updating our “commitment” laws. The city does not do mental health care, that is all within the county. Need more investment in mental health care from the city / county. Perm supportive housing is so important, so that mitigates mental health struggles. NC would give our laundry vouchers to homeless population. DONE could give out metro cards. Stakeholders: Gives social workers and mental health workers way to maintain care relationship. Rose - complex issues regarding how mental health would be evaluated ; wants compassionate way to care for people. How to address mental health struggles locally. Invite Mayor’s east area rep, and invite LAHSA.

15. Discussing Proposed 55 luxury unit development (3k / month), 6 affordable housing units. Cypress Park NC did not support their request. They are asking for an exemption for a CEQA report. Transit Oriented Communities provide density bonus — 5 stories in 3-story area.