

Fwd: Objection to Council File 20-1179; Agenda Item 13

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Thu, Oct 8, 2020 at 10:47 AM

Please upload the email below to CF 20-1179.

Thanks
Patrice

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Subject: Objection to Council File 20-1179; Agenda Item 13
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Dear Committee Members:

This is for the record of council file 20-1179.

I object to the motion in its entirety. I've lived in Central Hollywood for more than 50 years, and I've lived across from the Hollywood recreational center for more than 20 years.

The homeless people are my friends and neighbors. They don't deserve some sham of an attempt to bring them shelter.

I've lived through many council members for my district. Some have helped the community. Most haven't. You, Mr. O'Farrell, are on the list of those that have not!

The rec center and park is where I go to sit and read and enjoy what few mature trees exist near me. Your plan to take that away from me and many others to bring what will only add to the problems my homeless friends have is outrageous.

If this is such a great plan, why aren't you doing this in your neighborhood? If you say the problem is mostly in Hollywood, what are you doing differently in your neighborhood that you're not doing in Hollywood?

Don't waste my good earned money on looking into whether or not your cockamamy plan is viable. You're flushing it down the toilet. Spend your time fixing the Bridge housing that you put up on Schrader, and all the countless other failed attempts at housing for my friends. You've proven you don't know what you're doing. Fix the problem before adding to it!

Confirm this message has been received and will be in the record. Thank you.

Raquel Godoy
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From: **Adriana Leiss** <adriana.leiss@icloud.com>

Date: Thu, Oct 8, 2020, 9:53 AM

Subject: Objection: Council File No. 20-1179; Agenda Item 13

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October 8, 2020

Homelessness and Poverty Committee
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Via Email: Clerk.HomelessnessandPovertyCommittee@lacity.org

Re: My objection to the idea of using the Hollywood Recreation Center ([1122 Cole Ave.](#)) as interim housing for homeless individuals.

Council File No. 20-1179; Agenda Item 13

Honorable Chairman O'Farrell and Members of the Committee:

Please include this letter in the record for the above-referenced matter.

The motion presented by Councilmember O'Farrell proposes:

"...City Administrative Officer (CAO) and Bureau of Engineering, with assistance from the Department of Recreation and Parks be instructed to evaluate the feasibility of using the Hollywood Recreation Center facility at [1122 Cole Avenue](#) as interim housing for persons experiencing homelessness in Council District 13."

It also proposes:

"...that the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority be requested to work with staff from Council District 13 and the CAO to identify a service provider and execute a service agreement for the operation of this site as an interim housing facility."

I grew up in that neighborhood, right across the street from the park, and while I deeply understand that our current crisis has magnified the dire need for housing for the growing number of homeless people in Hollywood, I object to placing this housing, even if it's temporary, in this park. I grew up taking swim classes and ballet at that park, and when I visit my mom, who still lives there across the street, I take my kids there to play in the playground - as do many of the parents do in our neighborhood.

In fact, I **understand that proposal to place housing in our park is illegal under City of Los Angeles Charter § 594(c): "Restrictions on Transfer of Dedicated Parks. All lands heretofore or hereafter set apart or dedicated as a public park shall forever remain for the use of the public inviolate."**

I understand there needs to a viable and immediate solution to providing shelter for people living on the streets. I see the terrible conditions peoples live in everyday, just like you do. But, placing this in our park that is meant for the neighbors - many of whom live in apartments, isn't the right solution. This park is meant for children to play, adults gather to play

basketball, mothers walk their strollers, for seniors get fresh air and catch up with their neighbors outside. Teams get together to play soccer and basketball - they have for decades. It's a hub or recreation. Also, there's a preschool across the street at [1129 Cole Ave.](#), for babies up to 5 years old.

Please reconsider. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Adriana Leiss

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