

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 07/25/2022 10:23 PM

Council File No: 20-1376-S1

Comments for Public Posting: I am against the expansion of 41.18 . In its current state it disrupts the lives of angelenos, making it harder for them to find sure footing or access real services that can help. Proposed expansion features even less oversight for future locations. Further criminalization of homelessness does not help the homeless, it merely attacks them where they live. It will be a grim future to have our neighborhood littered with signs indicating all the various exclusionary zones where people in the community aren't allowed to exist.

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Name: Nancy Linari

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Comments for Public Posting: Please VOTE YES on 41.18. Enough is enough. It is time to deal with the unsanitary and dangerous conditions that have taken over many of our neighborhoods. Thank you.

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Name: Karen Muller

Date Submitted: 07/25/2022 10:48 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: The impacts on residential communities of homelessness are significant. I feel unsafe in my own community due to unhoused individuals roaming the streets, many mentally ill or addicted to drugs. I understand there is Shelter Available For All Unhoused in CD2 and that we now have enough shelter available for all those unhoused individuals in CD2 according to Councilmember Paul Krekorian at the July 1st, 2022 LA City Council Meeting (2:01:00), with great strides being made in other Council Districts too. We want our elected representatives to act in a humane and responsible way, while not forgetting or ignoring the rights and extended tolerance of our vital residential communities. I am also concerned that housing solves much but not all of the issues for the unhoused - many individuals choose to live on the streets. How can we disallow encampments in a fair humane and practical way?

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Comments for Public Posting: Please VOTE YES on the 41.18 amendment. The new amendment is URGENTLY NEEDED to restore order, sanitation and the rule of law to all communities of Los Angeles. More and more shelters are becoming available, so now is the time to get these unfortunate individuals to the housing and services they need. And it would be nice for our neighborhoods to get back to being safer and less of a health hazard. It's a win for everybody.

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Name: Robert Peppey

Date Submitted: 07/25/2022 11:57 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Opposed to 20-1376-S1 Dear CM Mike Bonin and CM Nithya Ramen, My friends and I at the Los Angeles Catholic Worker strongly support your opposition to CM Busciano and Lee's amendment to LAMC 20 1376-S1. Lee/ Busciano's heinous motion makes the already horrid anti-Black + anti-poor people Los Angeles' Jim Crow ordinance outlawing sitting, standing, or camping on LA public spaces even more deadly for our mostly BIPOC unhoused sisters and brothers. The heartlessness of CM O'Farrell's, Cedillo's and DeLeon's support for the Busiano/Lee amendment is breathtakingly cruel. Sincerely, Bobby Peppey

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Name: Linda Gravani
Date Submitted: 07/25/2022 01:17 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I support the changes to LAMC section 41.18.

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Name: Joe O'Neill

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a volunteer (and board member) doing outreach and harm reduction on skid row with the sidewalk project. I am commenting in opposition to the expansion of 41.18. The city continues to criminalize poverty and homelessness without doing anything to address the issues that cause it- lack of affordable housing, living wages, healthcare, mental health care, and substance abuse treatment. Instead we get sweeps which cause people to lose medication, ID, other personal belongings and even contact with caseworkers. 41.18 is an expensive, ineffective, and inhumane policy. Lets not make it even more so. vote no.

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Name: Judy Branfman

Date Submitted: 07/25/2022 03:55 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello councilmembers, This proposed amendment is a dramatic expansion of an already cruel 41.18. We have seen the inhumane outcomes of your existing law - since the passage of 41.18 one year ago, unhoused deaths have increased by 25%. 41.18 is a death sentence for many. Mapping and analysis by volunteers estimates at least 2,100 NEW criminalization zones, totalling at least 46 sq. miles. The actual impact of the law is unknown because City Council has not done the work to look at what the impacts will actually be. Students and children are greatly impacted by homelessness and housing instability. Schools are an important community resource for supporting unhoused students and young Angelenos at risk of homelessness. This blanket expansion does not take into consideration how this could affect this population. Despite what council believes, a significant portion of Angelenos oppose criminalization as a tool to address homelessness, knowing that it is expensive, ineffective, and cruel. Stop this 41.18 madness - and stop the evictions and start building housing.

Communication from Public

Name: Jane Demian

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Comments for Public Posting: None of this makes any sense. The City Council's actions are Kafkaesque in relation to what is actually happening on the streets of Los Angeles City. In July of 2021 the Housing Authority was given 3,365 emergency housing vouchers (EHVs) to distribute to unhoused individuals in LA City to find subsidized housing...a year later only 5.8% of those individuals who submitted applications were connected to subsidized housing. That is a dismal record. Other CA cities with low vacancy rates did better than LA City. Plus temporary housing facilities such as Project Room Key and bridge housing such as Tiny Homes routinely exit individuals back onto the street. No allowance or transitional housing is available for them except to live on the street. Therefore, expanding LAMC 41.18 (ban to sit lie sleep and store possessions) to include areas around schools and day care centers, without fixing the housing component is a bureaucratic nightmare, and points to the LA City Council's shortsightedness. The City Council chooses to move unhoused individuals from place to place through police enforcement issuing citations that unhoused individuals cannot pay...rather than fix the bureaucratic disorganization and ennui that exists in its housing agencies. No wonder we have a homelessness crisis!