



October 27, 2020

Council President Nury Martinez
City of Los Angeles
200 N. Spring Street, Room 435
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: LAMC 41.18 & LAMC 56.11 (Council File 20-1376)

Dear Council President Martinez,

The LA Fashion District is a neighborhood that incorporates 110 blocks in the middle of downtown Los Angeles, which includes the largest Flower Markets in the country, 2000+ designer showrooms, two of the only active historic Broadway theatres (the Ace and Orpheum), and the Santee Alley which draws some of the highest pedestrian counts in the city. The Fashion District BID is committed to bringing the vibrancy back to this diverse district and one of our initiatives is to support any advancement of comprehensive solutions to homelessness.

Recent Court decisions such as Mitchell v City of LA and Martin v Boise as well as pending Garcia v City of LA and the LA Alliance v City of LA, require changes to the City's laws (LAMC 41.18 and LAMC 56.11) that dictate how the public realm is used. **We strongly urge and support the motion to update LAMC 41.18 and LAMC 56.11.**

For far too long, the City's ad hoc approach to homelessness has been dictated by the latest litigation and not grounded in clear and consistent guidelines. Updating these two municipal codes to improve transparency, accountability and consistency will help to begin addressing the street homelessness crisis.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rena Leddy". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

Rena Leddy
Executive Director