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Since the enactment of Los Angeles Municipal Code ("LAMC") 41.18a-d by the City Council in mid 2021 and 41.18e in 2022, an estimated two thousand sites have been designated across the city as impermissible for individuals to sit, lie, sleep, or store belongings. In light of other programmatic approaches and in order to prioritize limited resources, it is critical that the City Council understand how the enforcement program for this regulation has been implemented, the degree to which this program has been effective in reducing unsheltered homelessness, and the total costs of the program. This is particularly important as COVID-19 related funding from the state and federal government begins to phase out.

Additionally, shortly after the passage of LAMC 41.18a-d, the City Council approved a "Street Engagement Strategy" (CF: 21-0329), a component of the Outreach Engagement Framework, which outlines required steps prior to the enforcement of LAMC 41.18c.1-4 and d, including the identification of housing opportunities, the development of a specific engagement strategy, and a Coordinated Entry System assessment of individuals residing at the targeted locations. The effectiveness of the Streets Engagement Strategy, as presently executed and overseen, has not yet been fully analyzed.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Chief Legislative Analyst, in coordination with Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and relevant City Departments including but not limited to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Los Angeles Police Department, City Attorney, Bureau of Sanitation, and Bureau of Streets Services, and with requested input from homeless service providers, the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative, and the LAHSA Lived Experience Advisory Board, report back within 60 days on:

- A list and map of all locations within the City of Los Angeles currently covered by LAMC 41.18a-e;
- Total expenditures of city resources on LAMC 41.18 implementation, including but not limited to 41.18 sign installation, LAPD overtime hours, CAO staff allocation, and funding directed to LAHSA and other service providers for LAMC 41.18-driven outreach;
- An analysis of the effectiveness of the "Street Engagement and Management" procedures as stipulated in Attachment C of CF: 21-0329;
- The housing typology offered through the Streets Engagement Strategy to individuals prior to LAMC 41.18 enforcement, and the breakdown of interim versus permanent housing;
- The rate of individuals accepting housing;
- The average duration of individuals being housed in both interim and permanent housing and the number of people still housed today that were provided housing through LAMC 41.18-driven engagement;

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- The demographics of individuals placed in housing, including but not limited to race, gender, systems-involvement, and incidence of serious mental illness (SMI) and substance use disorder (SUD);
- The rate and extent of repopulation in areas covered by LAMC 41.18; and
- The number of citations issued by LAPD related to 41.18 enforcement.

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