

Communication from Public

Name: Cristan Crocker
Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 02:46 PM
Council File No: 21-0350
Comments for Public Posting: I STRONGLY oppose this measure to use Will Rogers State Park to house the homeless. It is dangerous for ALL, INCLUDING the homeless and NOT the right answer. We cannot continue to ruin our cities with these stop gap measures.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 03:53 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I oppose this measure.

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Name: Julie Glass

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 03:53 PM

Council File No: 21-0350

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not give our parks and beaches over to housing encampments. We also don't need an expensive study to tell us camping at the park is not working for the park's inhabitants and it's not working for the community. The current situation is dangerous, very unsanitary and not benefiting anyone. Alternative sites have been suggested and need to be pursued. The community overwhelmingly voiced opposition to Bonin's proposal in the last Neighborhood Council special meeting. We are voters and closely watching how the Council proceeds. Thank you for your attention.

Communication from Public

Name: Kelly Metz

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 04:16 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council President Martinez, I am writing you to request that the Neighborhood/Community Council members of CD 11 and CD 5, that represent us, receive the opportunity to speak publicly at the City Council meeting on Wednesday May 26 at 10am on the topic of Motion 21-0350. Given the obvious outpour of opposition to the motion including several petitions that add up to more than 30,000 signatures in opposition to using beaches and parks for sheltering people experiencing homelessness, it would be appropriate for the city to acknowledge that the WRAC has opposed the motion strongly consider retracting the motion or at the very least amending it to remove all beaches and parks from the motion. Our community is able and willing to assist the city in finding appropriate locations to house those currently living on our streets, in our parks and on our beaches. Councilmember Bonin has been unresponsive to our pleas for a humanitarian approach that offers assistance to those experiencing homelessness and safety to all residents of Los Angeles. I kindly demand that you take this request seriously as we are not only putting the lives of the homeless at risk but also the lives of all Angelenos. Los Angeles is the home to people of all walks of life and as a city it is your responsibility to care for the safety of every citizen equally. Thank you for taking this matter seriously. Kelly Metz

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Name: AK

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 04:17 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: First, I want to say just tell empathetic and compassionate I am about the homeless problem, and I have been trying to do all I can to help solve the problem in our great city. Having said that, my office is in Santa Monica right near where the homeless shelter was built in Venice, and I've seen it only exacerbate the problem in that neighborhood. I don't think that using the beach parking lot for a homeless shelter is anywhere near the best use of that land, and given what I've seen happen in Venice imagine that it will turn a Beach that people from all over Los Angeles county use into a place where families will no longer be able to take their children for some much-needed family time and fun in the sun. I oppose this project, and given what we've seen happen in Venice don't see how there is a logical way to justify it.

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Name: Nancy Ross
Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 04:19 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I OPPOSE THIS MEASURE.

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Name: Kelli Ancar

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Name:

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Comments for Public Posting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U8DzC38WLys> Please do not give our parks and beaches over to housing encampments. We don't need an expensive study to tell us camping at the park is not working for the park's inhabitants and it's not working for the community. The current situation is dangerous, very unsanitary and not benefiting anyone. Alternative sites have been suggested and need to be pursued. The attached video will give you some perspective. The community overwhelmingly voiced opposition to Bonin's proposal in the last Neighborhood Council special meeting. We are voters and closely watching how the Council proceeds. Thank you for your attention.

Communication from Public

Name: Nancy Nalepa

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 04:37 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE DON'T GIVE OUR PUBLIC PARKS OVER TO HOUSING ENCAMPMENTS. I am asking the council to consider other options than allowing homeless encampments at the Westchester Park. As a long time property owner in the Westchester 90045 area, I no longer can go to my local park with my grand-children. My own children learned to play basketball, soccer, tennis and had swim lessons at the Westchester Pool. Now we can't even go to the swings and play equipment without being screamed at by people who think they now own the place. We no longer feel safe at our one and ONLY park. Please vote down Mike Bonin's motion to make our park a homeless encampment park. Please give the Westchester Park back to the children who desperately need this park. My Grand-children have been out of school for over a year, with no social interaction with other children. We want our park back. Mike Bonin's motion to use our park is wrong. We want to go our Public Library. At this time, there are non functioning campers and cars in the parking lot. We have been told that the pool will not open this summer because of the encampments surrounding the pool. (I counted over 20 tents around the pool area). Now that I am a Senior, I cannot go to the Senior Center since it too, is surrounded with tents. Please find another area for the homeless camping sites. The Parks should belong to the children The children should feel safe to play in their park. Right now there is no safety at our park. Thank you,

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Name: Jackson Fluor

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 10:13 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I find this proposal to be one of the most poorly thought out idea I've ever heard in my life. You will lose revenue from parking and tourism (lots were full on Monday), at least one homeless person will more than likely die on PCH getting hit by a car during the summer months, 2 human homeless fires started in one week that threaten hundreds of millions of property tax if/when the whole place burns down, absolutely devastating impact to our natural resources - and you're not solving the problem! You are just moving it around and torching communities in the process. All you have to see is what happened to Venice to see the plan has failed miserably. So many other city, county or state owned properties with better resources. Please reconsider or you will have a mass exodus on your hands that will take years to unwind

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Name: Keith Orum

Date Submitted: 05/24/2021 10:38 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a lifelong resident of the Westchester area of Los Angeles and product of the local schools. I am utterly appalled and dismayed at the reckless abandonment of our local parks and beaches. Our local Westchester Park has been taken over by lawlessness, displaced, drug addicted, mentally ill and transient population. My family and my neighbours are in grave fear of even walking our dogs near the park due to the infusion of crime. We feel abandoned by the LAPD and that our concerns are falling on deaf ears. Los Angeles has become a mockery and laughing stock of neighbouring cities. It is no secret that neighbouring Incorporated cities are dumping their transient population into Los Angeles jurisdiction. We implore the City Council to return the local beaches and parks to the very community that is funding them thru our exorbitant taxes. Please enforce the Statutory laws in place and stop the defacing and possible irreversible damage to our wetlands and Playa Del Rey.

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Name: Mary Ellen Klee

Date Submitted: 05/25/2021 06:05 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: While deeply concerned about this growing crisis and aware that we are all in this together and will need to find solutions and compromises to ensure the public at large's safety as well as that of the "Unhoused", I oppose this measure.

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Date Submitted: 05/25/2021 06:17 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I no longer feel that I can be safe going to Westchester Park, which used to be a wonderful site for family picnics, play, and of course, the library. Even though the library is one of those that was open for pick ups during the pandemic, I scheduled deliveries elsewhere just because I did not want to be confronted by the overwhelming numbers of people sheltering there. The dirt and stench, not to mention the animal that attacked by dog, make this an island of sadness and despair in what is a well-loved community.

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Name: kirsten Lando

Date Submitted: 05/25/2021 06:49 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: My entire family of six, my parents and every acquaintance, neighbor and friend I have spoken to are totally against the absurd, unsafe idea of housing the homeless at Will Rogers or any of the parks. There are better solutions! Private parking lots around the LAX area or adjacent just makes sense. Don't ruin the public beaches and parks that are for everyone.