

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Brooke Wyard

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 12:28 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am alarmed by the lack of transparency and the apparent refusal at virtually all levels of government to listen to opposition to the homeless annexing our public recreational resources -- in particular Will Rogers State Beach, a critical emergency resource for the entire region which is currently being used as a LAPD base camp for the Palisades Fire last week. We need a solution to the homeless crisis, not a band aid that will increase danger to both the housed and the unhoused. I have seen the community I have grown up with being defecated on, treated like a waste dump and I am DONE paying taxes towards this government that prioritizes quick fixes over actual solutions.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kristen Engle

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 12:37 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** I wholeheartedly OPPOSE this measure. It will transform public beaches to a crime ridden and dangerous place for residents and tourists alike. Moreover, given the wild fires in the surrounding areas, proposed homeless campsites RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET from these hillsides pose a definite threat of loss of property or life.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jamie Leff

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 12:43 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose this measure 100%. I grew up in the Palisades in the 80's and 90's and wanted nothing more than to raise my kids in the same community but unfortunately I've seen what this has done to Venice and Brentwood. I'm frightened beyond belief. To live here and not feel safe is unimaginable. I was recently harassed by a homeless man who followed me home and came to my house on a daily basis, peeking through my daughters window. It was terrifying and not OK. If this measure passes, it will only get worse. This was not what we signed up for when we bought a home here and spent the majority of our savings. While I feel for the homeless and have compassion for them, I don't think an encampment on our beautiful beaches is the answer. There must be another way. Please please don't ruin our community!!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Shirley Haggstrom  
**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 12:49 PM  
**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** This purpose of this email is to oppose the use of beach parking lots and parks for homeless housing—Council File #21-0350 and CD 11 Sheltering Plan (Ex. C to 4/15/21 Quarterly MOU Status Report) AND to support the Pacific Palisades Community Council and Pacific Palisades Task Force for Homeless. For decades, I have lived between the beach and a State Park which we restored. Our residential area shares these public recreational areas with people from all over the world. “Temporary” shelter sites would have an adverse effect on visitors and those of us who live here while not solving the underlying problem. Unfortunately, as proven by news headlines, these shelter sites would attract those with no regard for others. Despite LAPD AND LAFD patrols, the continuing Palisades Fire set by an arsonist has burned over 1,200 acres and caused several hundred home evacuations. I am greatly concerned about my safety and that of my home. Had the winds blown in a different direction, I could be homeless today. Please listen to the voices of our community coming to you personally and through our community organizations.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jody Crabtree

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 12:50 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose this measure strongly. I do not think housing a mentally unstable population at our public beaches with no plan in place to rehabilitate will have any positives. This is unsafe and unwise.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Aly Bernstein

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 04:46 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** I OPPOSE the proposal to allow encampments on our Beaches and Parks. Our PUBLIC Beaches and Parks were not intended for encampments. The LAPD that work in our area have reiterated that Will Rogers State Beach, or really anywhere in the 24.6 square mile, mostly single residence, mostly residential area of the Pacific Palisades, are NOT viable places for these resources and encampments. ALL of our beaches and parks across Los Angeles are for everyone to recreationally use. Specifically our beaches, are enjoyed and visited by people from all over Los Angeles who are trying to enjoy the beach, and many times escape squalid conditions all over the City. Not to mention the visitors/tourists that come from all parts of the globe. The officers have also stated that this will increase crime (which we've seen happen in Venice and Marina Del Rey)! It also decreases child safety and increases pollution in our public spaces and ocean. Councilman Bonin admitted that he is not in a position to increase services, increase enforcement against criminal behavior, nor address the larger root issues of homelessness such as mental illness, addiction, job training, job placement, etc. Encampments COULD and SHOULD be allowed in the many underutilized City owned properties. There are countless City and County Buildings, property and parking lots, that legitimate wrap around services can be set up in. The City and County should immediately identify all of these properties and begin the conversion process. Aly Bernstein Pacific Palisades Resident

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Joan  
**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 06:30 PM  
**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose this measure as it does not provide any temporary or emergency shelter for the 'housing insecure' population whether from LA county or anywhere in the USA. There are no services, public toilets, or food and in the middle of a wildfire zone. Only look at the Venice solution offered by your office. Thank you,  
Joan Hill

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 07:10 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The homeless situation in Pacific Palisades is no longer a concern about homes it's a concern about safety. The fires that have been started intentionally are putting us all in great danger.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kimberly L

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 07:36 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0350

**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose the emergency housing locations at Will Rogers State Beach. This week my home was in severe danger from the Palisades Fire and at this very moment another has broken out in the bluffs off PCH. Another very well known homeless encampment. Think about the millions and millions of dollars just spent to contain these fires. Those dollars could have been used to help with programs and housing. Homeless will be killed on PCH, set more fires and receive no long term support there. Tourism in Venice is destroyed and taxpayers in the Palisades will leave if even one innocent person is harmed. And that WILL happen. This makes NO sense. You are DESTROYING California. Officials need to use their heads and work together. We are helping with our Palisades task force, our churches give so much money to REAL programs. Why can't we all work together for a REAL solution?

## Communication from Public

**Name:** lisa  
**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 09:05 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose this measure.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 09:07 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I urge the council not to approve the study considering use of public parks and beaches and beach facilities for homeless encampments or homeless communities. Homeless encampments do not belong in these areas. The study if approved should specifically eliminate these areas from consideration and instead focus on other areas away from residential neighborhoods and away from away from our limited recreation areas. We do need to find solutions for the homeless problem our city faces, but other options should be considered.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sky

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 09:33 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly oppose this measure. Our beaches should be safe and clean for all of Los Angeles. Putting a homeless encampment is unsafe for the community that lives in the area and the homeless that will be “temporarily” housed in the area. This is not only a public, very well used and enjoyed beach but also a high fire area. We know the statistics and it’s an extremely dangerous proposal for all. Our neighborhoods need to be kept safe and our homeless need real help. They need to be housed in an area such as the land near LAX or Palmdale where there is space for mental health, drug rehabilitation and social facilities to actually give these people the help they need for permanent recovery.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Joseph Cilic

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 09:39 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am strongly opposed to creating homeless encampments at Will Rogers Beach. It will not solve the homeless crisis and will endanger the lives of residents. The crisis in Venice is undeniably critical and this would only spread the harm to another community. In the Palisades, we have had multiple fires set by homeless in a community that is a in a severely high fire zone. Should you vote to allow this, you will be voting to put the residents in harms way and risking the lives of our first responders who strongly oppose this proposal as dangerous. This is obviously not the solution. The people who do the homeless outreach in the community have firmly rejected this plan. It is wrong for the community, wrong for the public at large and will only increase the homeless crisis. Please vote no on this misguided plan.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 09:52 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Homeless encampments should NOT be in public parks!!! I also believe that all homeless people should first be evaluated for needs ( ie do they require medical attention - mental/physical, is there an alcohol issue and/or drugs ) Once these problems are addressed one can start talking about WHERE to house them or not. I also think there definitely needs to be a way to track if these actions are producing positive results and quickly and to keep residents abreast of situations There also needs to be enforcement dealing with any encampments that are not part of the program You can't have it both ways Bottom line No encampments at parks Have a tracking plan in place Don't let this issue go for months And Enforce illegal encampments And of course insist on good sanitation policies

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/24/2021 10:09 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose the use of our state beaches, beach parking lots and parks being used for homelessness housing, encampments, safe camping, safe parking and/or the like, as proposed by Mike Bonin. These areas belong to all of us and everyone deserves safe access to them. Will Rogers Beach is located in a high fire area. As I type this the area across from the proposed site is on fire. The Venice Bridge Housing is an example of why this is a bad proposal. I'm not a NIMBY. This is not in my backyard. It does impact my family's use of the beach.