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Council File Number: 21-0773

Agenda Date: Item Number:

Summary: The North Westwood Neighborhood Council is in support of council file 21-0773. Our

Community Impact Statement is attached below.



- COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT -

Council File: 21-0773

Title: Wire Basket Trash Receptacles / Homeless Encampments / Sanitation Crisis /

Public Spaces

Position: Support

Summary:

The North Westwood Neighborhood Council supports this motion to provide a valuable service, trash receptacles and collection, to unhoused Angelenos.

While housed residents of the city may take garbage collection for granted, disposing of trash is harder for unhoused individuals when there are no bins nearby or when bins are not regularly emptied and cleaned. Without bins, unhoused Angelenos must often pile refuse in areas that may become unsanitary and overfull and may draw illegal dumping from elsewhere as well.

We therefore back this proposal to make regularly serviced receptacles available at every encampment in Los Angeles. Doing so will improve sanitation, cleanliness, access, and quality of life and reduce the risk of fire and disease for both those who live in encampments and their neighbors, visitors, and passersby. This motion is a humane and necessary immediate response to the much larger structural crisis of homelessness in Los Angeles.

We especially applaud the motion's commitment to regularly servicing the receptacles through a formal program. We hope that the end result is not a one-time dispersal of bins that are abandoned by the City thereafter but rather a program that, unobtrusively to people nearby, keeps bins clean and empty, replaces broken ones, and adds new ones at new locations as needed. We also encourage the City to add recycling bins in the same locations.