

Communication from Public

Name: Kwan

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 07:10 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in support of the Councilmember's motion to rescind the specially designated 41.18 zones in District 13 and echo the sentiment that enforcement under Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.18 does not prevent or resolve longstanding encampments in District 13. Instead, these enforcement actions can cause outreach teams to lose contact with people they are actively working to house, separate individuals from essential belongings, including prescription medications, and create legal complications from unpaid citations that can prevent people from moving into permanent housing. Anti-camping ordinances are written to specifically to harm unhoused individuals and enact cruel treatment upon people, their rights, and property.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 06:23 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: I support this motion

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Name:

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 03:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support repealing the zones. They do not accomplish anything except for sweeping poor people out of a location with no offer of permanent housing.

Communication from Public

Name: Cindy

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 03:46 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: I support the motion to repeal the 41.18 zones in council district 13. LAMC 41.18 is a discriminatory laws that harms the poorest members of our community. We face a housing affordability crisis in the city of LA, and the large houselessness population is a direct result of this crisis. Laws like 41.18 exacerbate the struggles of those individuals experiencing houselessness, since they lead to sweeps that destroy personal property, while levying fines and arrests, all of which make it harder for individuals to move off the streets and into suitable and stable housing. Remove these zones and devote the expenses that would be incurred by LAPD and LA Sanitation while enforce this discriminatory law towards meaningful solutions that address the root causes of homelessness and get people off the streets for good. (things like a vacancy tax, more funding for affordable housing, services for those on the street, rent control, etc.) More of this!

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Name: Peggy Lee Kennedy

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 04:45 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am in support of repealing these 41.18 zones. They only attempt to ban visible poverty using expensive and cruel forms of enforcement. The law is discriminatory because it is used on unhoused people who are primarily people of color and disabled people. They do not create any alternatives or resources for unhoused people.

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Name: Tierney Sadowski

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 05:14 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: Repealing these 41.18 zones and removing signage is a step in the right direction. Though it cannot undo the harm and violence that have taken place in these zones in the past it can pave the way for a more just future. People should not be penalized just for existing. It is inhumane.

Communication from Public

Name: Roghan Weafer

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 01:27 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: 41.18 zones have the stated purpose of making it illegal to sit down in public and the obvious purpose of making it a crime to not have enough money to pay rent. Both purpose are frankly reprehensible, the kind of law that we would like to think that we are better than, as a city and as a country. Hugo Soto-Martinez has correctly identified them as "stop and frisk zones". I have seen and spoken to people who have been burdened by tickets they cannot afford, who have had their shelter and medicine destroyed, all for the crime of experiencing poverty. It is haunting to think of how many more stories of cops abusing unhoused people under this law go untold. On top of the direct cruelty, these zones and the broader criminalization of poverty prevent LA from developing an effective system for providing housing and otherwise solving the real problem of homelessness. We have seen time and again how ineffective and even corrupt city services fail to house people, teb the city just sends cops to displace peoplw to a different neighborhood. When people are put into "interim shelter", poor conditions, poor management, endless waiting, and other abuses get paperer over with the threat that anyone who gets kicked out will just be ticketed or arrested for not being able to afford rent. We must change from a city that sends cops to shuffle around unhoused people and makes problems work, to a city that commits to the only real solution for homelessness - providing housing. Ending the criminalization of homelessness and 41.18 zones is not just the right thing to do but the most effective thing to do. 41.18 represents a failed past, used against the most vulnerable among us (notably including its use against anti-ICE protestors). Let's repeal these zones in favor of real solutions and bring LA in line with our values of support and inclusion.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 01:56 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As Councilmember Soto-Martinez correctly states in this motion, 41.18 zones do nothing to prevent or reduce homelessness. Instead, they trap our unhoused neighbors in a cycle of criminalization that make it more difficult for them to access housing (something that is already incredibly difficult to do). Any stability someone might have at an encampment is forcibly removed, along with important belongings like medication or paperwork. Being forced to move out of a 41.18 zone cuts people off from contact with social workers and community, forcing them to start navigating the contorted housing system from the beginning, again. Instead, 41.18 incentivizes interactions with LAPD which often result in harassment, arrests, and further criminalization. In addition, 41.18 zones are now being used to target anti-ICE protestors and street vendors - the law is so broad that anyone can be a victim of it, and it is a tool on gentrification and oppression. Los Angeles should operate from a place of community care, not criminalization. As a resident of CD13 and someone who cares about my unhoused neighbors, I support the motion to repeal these 41.18 zones.

Communication from Public

Name: Lauren Eggert-Crowe

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 01:33 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-s1

Comments for Public Posting: 41.18 has done way more harm than good. It makes the lives of our neighbors more difficult, leading to the disruption of communities, which decreases public safety. Seven unhoused Los Angeles residents die every day. Criminalizing and harassing them does not solve this problem; it only makes their lives more difficult. Please remove the signage for 41.18 zones immediately.

Communication from Public

Name: Katie McVay

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 11:27 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: This is a long time coming. There is no point in further criminalizing the most vulnerable among us. Seven unhoused Angelenos die every single day. We need to build homes, not give LAPD freer range (and more money) to harass our fellow Angelenos. I support the immediate removal of the signage for these expired districts.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 11:37 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: Urging you to make everyone's life better by taking down the signs, which are already void.

Communication from Public

Name: Get it together City Council

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 12:46 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: Address reasons why people are homeless. Don't punish people for being houseless. Rescind this law. It makes existing in a system designed to cripple you, illegal - which is a disgusting exercise in eugenics. In a world where we are all born into without our consent the least we deserve is the dignity to exist. Why are people homeless? 1) Housing is treated like a commodity by bankers and real-estate. Outlaw this. Housing, water, air, food, and health are a right. Not a wall street trade. 2) Mental health care isn't an establishment to make people well in the USA. It's been set up to strip people of their autonomy through abuses like violent 51.50 holds, paywalls to medication access, and cruel ultimatums. Actually look at the issues in health care and remove authoritarianism and for-profit barriers. 3) Wages are stagnate. It's only a matter of time we are all houseless with the way the C-Suit is fleecing the working class. When you turn a right, like housing or water, into a commodity to exploit then you end up with malignant rising costs to survive across the board. There are two solutions here. We can keep raising the minimum wage to chase the C-Suit's never ending greed or we can ban commodifying human necessity which would stabilize the market for what capitalism should exploit, luxury goods. Fix this or be remembered as a robber baron. Stop attacking people for falling prey to this disgusting eugenics driven system. Fix the gd system.

Communication from Public

Name: Daniel Gerwin, Barnsdall Art Park Foundation

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 09:57 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Honorable Councilmembers, On behalf of the Board of Barnsdall Art Park Foundation, a 501c3 nonprofit established in 2003 to ensure Barnsdall Art Park remains a vibrant, inclusive space for creativity, cultural expression, civic conversation, and social empowerment, we respectfully request that Barnsdall Art Park be removed from the proposed motion in CF 21-4118-S1, which would remove enforcement of encampments on Hollywood Boulevard and within Barnsdall Art Park. This area is a sensitive part of Hollyhock House's UNESCO World Heritage site buffer zone. It serves as the public entrance to Barnsdall Art Park. Its careful protection is critical for site safety and upholding the City's commitments to UNESCO for site preservation. We write this with understanding of the homelessness crisis in our City, and the inefficacy of such enforcement. We recognize this motion as an effort to support our unhoused neighbors, but we must ask you to also recognize the impact this would have on the historic park itself, its neighborhood, and the surrounding community. Barnsdall Art Park has been a public park and space of respite for the Hollywood area since 1927. For nearly a century, it has been the area's dedicated greenspace. Additionally, it is home to four cultural institutions, beloved by Angelenos and people the world over. Hollyhock House, Frank Lloyd Wright's architectural masterpiece, is the only UNESCO World Heritage site in all of Los Angeles, and the only UNESCO Cultural site in all of California. This is an incredible honor and responsibility for the City of Los Angeles, which has committed to the UNESCO World Heritage Council to protect and preserve the site and all of Barnsdall Art Park. As LA's only UNESCO World Heritage site, Barnsdall Art Park necessitates special protections to ensure that the City is properly caring for the site and continuing to provide access to local communities and international tourists alike, now and going into the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2028. Millions of taxpayer and municipal funds have supported restoration and maintenance of the historic structures here. Nevertheless, the City departments that steward the site don't have the resources or tools to address increased safety and security concerns that would result from removing enforcement of Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.18 at Barnsdall Art Park. Before CF 21-4118-SI enforcements were initially put in place in

2021, the park faced serious encampment issues along Hollywood Boulevard, which prevented pedestrian access and even included fire incidents. Beyond the cultural significance of the park, it is also a space that welcomes the public to enjoy the serenity of its natural beauty. This park is a place where the local community feels safe to explore from sun up to sun down, where community parents feel safe bringing their children to attend art classes and dance recitals. Barnsdall Art Park is where the Hollywood community comes to be together. Thank you for your time and consideration of our request to remove Barnsdall Art Park from this motion and keep protections for the park in place. We need to support our unhoused neighbors, but we also must protect the park—and all it has given and will continue to give to Los Angeles. With gratitude, Daniel Gerwin President, Barnsdall Art Park Foundation



August 17, 2026

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Communication from Public

Name: Shane Swerdlow

Date Submitted: 08/17/2026 10:49 PM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: As a constituent who lives on the border of CD 4 and CD 13 in Hollywood, I respectfully request that you vote NO on the proposed motion to rescind 41.18 designations in CD 13. The current homelessness crisis requires a multi-faceted solution, including and not limited to, increasing the supply of affordable housing and offering addiction recovery and mental health services. But there are also times when 41.18 is needed as an enforcement mechanism next to vulnerable schools and parks. I live near the Las Palmas Senior Center, which is a City park with senior citizen services and a preschool in Hollywood and a designated 41.18 site. Throughout much of the 2020s, this park and surrounding sidewalks were overrun with chaotic encampments, filled with issues including violence, drug use/drug dealing, multiple fires, rodent infestations, amplified noise, and overall rowdiness. As the encampments and unhoused population grew at this location, our surrounding neighborhood had to deal with increased crime, trespassing, and break-ins. On top of this, seniors were not able to safely access the senior center because all surrounding sidewalks were blocked. Those who felt comfortable walking near the encampments had to walk through the busy Franklin Avenue roadway. Over the past year, 41.18 has provided a critically needed tool to enforce anti-camping at the Las Palmas Senior Center, when such enforcement has been necessary to allow this facility to serve its intended purpose as a safe gathering spot for senior citizens, and maintain peace and safety in the surrounding neighborhood. The City is making progress on the many factors that need to be addressed to solve homelessness, but rescinding 41.18 is NOT the solution. PLEASE VOTE NO ON THIS MOTION!