

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Estella Suarez-Hamilton

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 09:24 AM

**Council File No:** 22-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** This Regular City Council meeting is Violating the existing laws that require public meetings to be open to ALL members of the public for observation and to address the Council Members in real time. The Requirement to hold Live Oral Public comment in person only, then the requirement to fulfill the condition of showing specific health information such as vax proof or documented proof of negative covid test, is a violation of existing laws such as the Brown Act and the Open Meeting act. ALL VOTES should be suspended until the ENTIRE public population has access to these meetings to make live oral public comment. The following Existing laws are being violated. The Open Meetings Act, The Brown Act, the Unruh Civil Rights Act, The First and Fourteenth Amendment to the US Constitution. AB No. 361 "Existing law prohibits a legislative body from requiring, as a condition to attend a meeting, a person to register the person's name, or to provide other information, or to fulfill any condition precedent to the person's attendance." "The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and must provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comment in real time. This subparagraph shall not be construed to require the legislative body to provide a physical location from which the public may attend or comment. Brown Act: 54953.3. Conditions to attendance at meetings " "A member of the public shall not be required, as a condition to attendance at a meeting of a legislative body of a local agency, to register his or her name, to provide other information, to complete a questionnaire, or otherwise to fulfill any condition precedent to his or her attendance."

## Communication from Public

**Name:** David Barboza  
**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 11:42 AM  
**Council File No:** 22-0600  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Please see Abundant Housing LA's attached letter, with a "support if amended" position on the proposed 2022-23 Los Angeles City Budget.



5/17/2022

The Honorable Eric Garcetti  
Los Angeles Mayor's Office  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

***Support if Amended – Proposed Budget – Council File 22-0600***

Dear Mayor Garcetti,

We write on behalf of Abundant Housing LA with a “support if amended” position on your proposed 2022-2023 City of Los Angeles Budget, in **Council File 22-0600**. We urge you to place a higher priority on funding affordable housing and the departments that are involved in the housing review process.

**Abundant Housing LA** is a pro-housing, nonprofit advocacy organization working to help solve Southern California's housing crisis. We support reforms to legalize more homes, make homes easier to build, increase funding for affordable housing, and protect tenants, which are all needed to make housing more affordable, improve access to jobs and transit, promote greater environmental sustainability, and advance racial and economic equity. As a community organization, in order to maintain our independence, we do not accept financial support from housing developers or their consultants.

It is encouraging to see the City's revenues are projected to be \$11.8 billion for 2022-23, up from \$11.5 billion in 2021-22. However, of particular concern to us is the fact that the proposed appropriations to the Department of City Planning (LADCP), Department of Building and Safety (LADBS) and the Housing Department (LAHD), summarized in the table below, should be more generous than proposed.

Department	2021-22 \$ in millions	2022-23 (proposed) \$ in millions	Change
LADCP	59.5	60.2	+1.2%
LADBS	132.9	139.6	+5.0%
LAHD	76.7	80.0	+4.3%
LA Area CPI	n/a	n/a	+7.9%

These departments do have proposed nominal increases in their appropriations, but the LA Area Consumer Price Index [is currently 7.9%](#), meaning these appropriations are actually budget cuts in real terms, because they are not keeping pace with inflation.

LADCP, LADBS and LAHD need to be adequately staffed to administer their housing programs in a timely manner. When housing development applications face lengthy review timelines, the cost of building housing increases due to the soft costs around holding and maintaining land, paying taxes, and paying staff. While these departments are funded modestly, the Los Angeles Police Department would enjoy an appropriation of \$1.9 billion in the proposed budget, dwarfing the proposed housing-related spending. We are concerned about enforcement-oriented approaches to issues such as homelessness, which merely relocate the problem from one place to another without addressing root causes, harming our unhoused neighbors in the process. The funding voters made available for permanent supportive housing in Proposition HHH, \$1.2 billion over a decade, is certainly helpful in addressing homelessness, but even that important investment pales in comparison to the need. Furthermore, the budget summary states that the level of funding for community plan updates to implement the Housing Element is adequate to update 6 of the 35 community plans per year, which would make it impossible to rezone the City to implement the plan by the one-year statutory deadline, as required by current law, or even by the three-year statutory deadline.

For these reasons, we would be proud to support this budget if it were amended to address our concerns, and we offer our thanks to you for bringing this important proposal forward.

Sincerely,

*Leonora Camner*

Leonora Camner  
Executive Director  
Abundant Housing LA

*David J. Barboza*

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Abundant Housing LA

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Tieira R.

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 05:58 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** We are REQUESTING more money for our communities and not for the police! Thus far, as a collective, the Los Angeles City Council has been a true disappointment! Law enforcement agencies in LA County are taking the majority of public spending, over 8 BILLION IN TOTAL, and we are NOT safer because of it! Our communities need investments, critical investments and what some of you have done to residents of Los Angeles is a CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY! How can you give more money to police that already spends the majority of public spending dollars, more money so that LAPD can use the money to terrorize our unhoused population??? We literally have residents falling into poverty & homelessness because of the LA City council and the board of supervisors' inaction! There has been alleged corruption happening and soon many of you are going to be replaced but more than that many of your names are going to be right next to Hitler's in a history book! Unhoused residents were some of the first ppl in Germany that Hitler went after, and right now your violence against the people you are meant to serve is being noted! The UN already has an established right to housing, that right is being denied to thousands upon thousands of LA residents. In the last 10 years, poverty & and homelessness has gone up by over 50%, rent has gone up by 65%! More than anything right now, Los Angeles residents need more housing, we need more affordable housing and we MUST invest more money into a solid social housing program so I am repeating again, THE POLICE DO NOT NEED MORE MONEY! LAPD does not need more money to cause terror in our communities, to cause noise & fuel pollution in the helicopters that they fly at all hours of the day! HOUSING, HOUSING, HOUSING! The proposed budget from Mayor Garcetti who believes that rising homelessness is a sign of a "good economy", that budget submitted by him is actually defunding housing but more specifically affordable housing! We are living in a violent police state, some of you are allegedly helping to create poverty so you can fund the pretend "non-profits" that are likely embezzling money and likely donating to some of your political campaigns. WE WANT MONEY FOR HOUSING, THE PEOPLE ARE NOT AUTHORIZING MORE MONEY FOR LAPD, a GANG! NURY MARTINEZ, YOU ARE HELPING TO COMMIT CRIMES

AGAINST HUMANITY BY DENYING THE RIGHT TO  
HOUSING WHICH IS A UN VIOLATION!

**REPEAL ARTICLE 34 in the CA state constitution; USE public land for PUBLIC GOOD, end systematic housing violence & displacement. Article 34 of the CA constitution reads; "No low rent housing project shall hereafter be developed, constructed, or acquired in any manner by any state public body until, a majority of the qualified electors of the city, town or county, as the case may be.."**

Localities that have been abusing their positions and segregating cities by race & class should not decide what happens to public land. Workers that commute into cities also have the right to decide what happens to public land, retirees, college students, and many others also have that right!

**"Heidi Marston resigns from LASHA**, citing difficulties in fulfilling LAHSA's mission without **"fundamental shifts"**. In her resignation letter, Marston elaborates:

"Power and funding alone control homelessness. But in our current system, organizations like the one I lead, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), are not given control over regulatory or policy decisions, service providers remain underfunded, and dedicated front-line employees of non-profit organizations and government entities are hamstrung by rules, red tape, and bureaucracy. Marston also points to low wages, high rents, restrictive zoning laws, and other "shadow monsters" we must tackle in order to end homelessness."

<https://medium.com/@hmarston2/the-homelessness-crisis-a-monster-of-our-own-making-be5975399ce1>

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## Structural Governance of the Social Housing Authority

The State Housing Authority - **HCD** will oversee



**The Social Housing Authority; Community-led development of PS, affordable, & market-rate housing: Social Housing Agencies in each county in CA (ONE SOCIAL HOUSING AGENCY with selected progressive civil peers (community advocates) assigned to offices in each part of the county (likely NSEW & Mid-City, TBD);** a group of progressive housing civil peers that implements & develops new community-owned affordable, market-rate, and PS rental housing on publicly owned land throughout LA County. Communities are well put together, mostly in walkable, pedestrian/bike-friendly built communities. The agency as a collective whole will capture vacancy numbers (parking lots, buildings (privately & publicly owned), to determine ownership/best use for vacant spaces.

The Social Housing Authority will override city councils in localities to partner directly with County BOS, and HCD to **collect funding meant for homeless/housing**



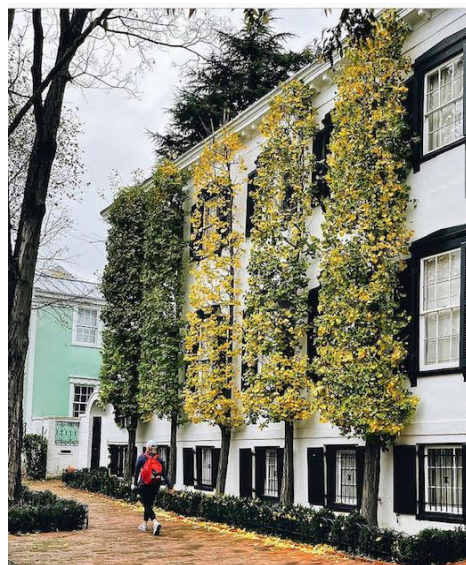
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**spending, money goes into ONE TRUST account that must provide RECEIPTS** of where/how much money is spent on specific projects.

Agency works with HUD to implement new guidelines for affordable homeownership for the blue-collar working class. Agency maintains ONE website/database that has a list of AVAILABLE community-owned affordable, market-rate, and PS rental housing. List of AVAILABLE affordable & market-rate homeownership opportunities.

Affordable housing waitlist for rental housing should be no longer than 6 months, 6 months is actually too long but should not exceed that. The social housing agency is focused on public safety, public safety means safety from heavy traffic violence and climate arson. This means the social housing team works to build communities that are walkable, bike, and pedestrian-friendly. Communities that have access to green space. Communities that aren't being heavily polluted by LAPD helicopter pilots (noise & fuel pollution linked to dementia, linked to cancer). Cars belong on the outside of multi-family communities, not within. Cars are occupying too much land space! Humans need land to live on, we shouldn't NEED to drive everywhere. Create when possible 15-20 minute cities/small communities.



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**Social Agency is primarily focused on the development of community-owned housing.** However, the agency will be divided into 3 primary teams; PSH, affordable & market-rate rentals, affordable & market-rate homeownership;

**Permanent Supportive Housing-** PSH for residents in need of wraparound services. Services could be needed short or long-term depending on the person. This team is focused on securing housing for residents with low-to-no income, chronically homeless, FOSTER youth (up to age 24), disabilities etc. This team doesn't provide the services it connects other agencies & non-profits to PS housing.

This team maintains a database of PSH units that are available and works to revamp/remodel the broken shelter housing system to turn them into PSH.

Again, ONE social service housing website for residents with varying needs.

Foster Youth: safe and clean group homes that provide guidance & structure to youth/young adults up to the age of 24.

REVAMP the broken Foster System; guidance comes from social workers that are based out of the revamped DPSS, non-profits, grassroots teams, etc.).

PSH shouldn't feel carceral (jail-prison like).

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Supportive services are wraparound services in QUALITY family planning, STI/STD prevention/protection, mental, behavioral, & rehabilitation healthcare, etc, etc.

Introduce UBI, money that should come from another trust account will not come from the housing trust fund. UBI for foster youth, and adult residents not working or below the poverty line. UBI up to \$1000 a month for completed work/ treatment assignments.

For displaced youth; completed schooling/work/etc. Standard UBI (no work /treatment assignments required) \$300-\$500.

Repeating; services are provided by A REVAMPED DPSS, by grassroots and non-profit teams, etc. Agency will provide a civil peer court system; will also be for any potential cases of alleged abuse happening from workers but all workers must have ongoing training, schooling, and teachings in proper behavior when interacting with residents in PSH communities, especially foster youth! Service teams should meet every few months to go over what is and what is not working, the social housing agency does not provide the service, they are simply making available the housing needed for the residents in need of PSH, possibly in need of long term care, healing, community.

The PSH Social Housing Team works with the DPSS to secure safe parking/dwelling zones within the county until PSH becomes available. All non-profit groups/service teams need to be an extension of this department (LASHA, DPSS, Grassroot teams, etc., etc.) Service teams should be able to contact PSH social agency team to find PSH, Safe parking/dwelling, and/or to receive money for temporary hotel/room stays (FEMA MONEY should be used as the ONE trust account is mostly for development/maintenance/admin of community-owned housing. ONE TRUST per county social agency/authority).

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**Community-Owned affordable & market-rate Housing;** residents are self-sufficient, can pass a criminal background check likely just need assistance securing an affordable or market-rate unit. Will work with residents with a prior eviction. Community-owned affordable & market-rate rental housing that is always affordable. Rent shouldn't take more than 20-30% of a resident's total income after taxes. Establish an affordable rental market-rate price for the blue-collar working class. The affordable price should not be averaged with working-class/high income earners included in the calculation. Most workers, most jobs in LA County pay about \$40,000. What is the average wage for the blue-collar worker???

Community-owned, market-rate units will likely be much cheaper than privately owned market-rate.

All local city affordable housing authorities would be moved into the social agency/demolished. **There are too many moving parts of the housing programs/processes. We need ONE coordinated system with FUNCTIONING non-profits, social service teams an extension of the one agency. Social workers, field workers, and rehousing specialists should be able to utilize the agency/website to secure at a minimum safe parking/safe dwelling. Should be able to give food vouchers/stamps, etc. to those that need them.**

Again, the housing team is likely divided by local cities in the county, likely by NSEW & mid-city, TBD. Each of those divided teams will be divided into the 3 groups of; PSH, affordable & market-rate rentals, affordable & market-rate homeownership)

**Public Safety-** A civil peer board of housing (court) will be established to hear cases about any potential threats to public safety happening in Socially owned housing. The court will also hear about allegations of any abuse happening within the system and

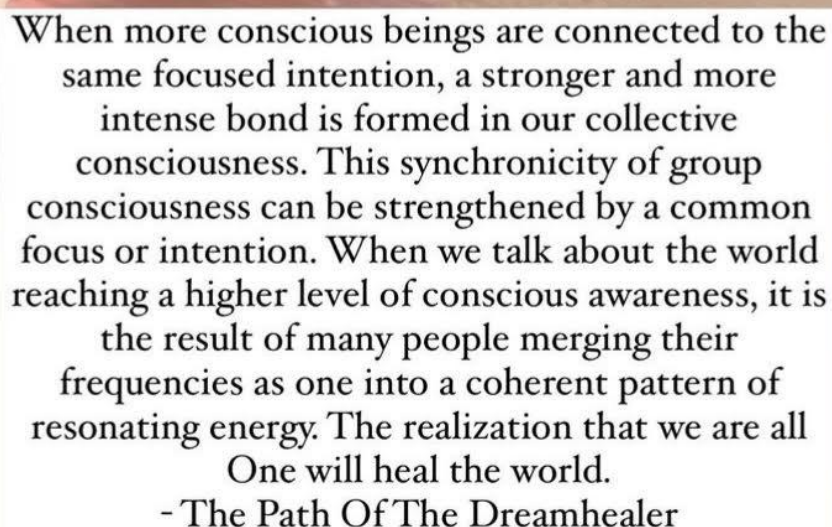
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correct the action. PSA on appropriate behavior will be provided to all residents/staff that are part of the social housing community.

The goal of the Social Housing agency is to prevent displacement but they will support “JUST-CAUSE” eviction for tenants posing a risk/threat to other tenants. No gang activity or violence WILL be tolerated, the community has a right to safety, if that safety is ever threatened, residents in the community have the right to evict!

Some PSH will be for residents in transition from jail/prison back into community living. Prevent ROOT CAUSE of problems that we are seeing in our community. Also, consider communities for disabled residents/ residents with special needs that may need long-term wraparound services. Consider partnership with community colleges for affordable housing for students/young adults up to age 24-25. Consider committed behavioral, mental, and rehabilitation health programs for residents with outstanding issues in above mentioned. Any committed programs should still be a place of healing, not further violence and trauma. Dismantle and rebuild existing programs in that area. Fix the problems at the ROOT, save the next generation and again, ongoing training, and schooling, for workers in this field. HIGHER pay for workers in these fields!

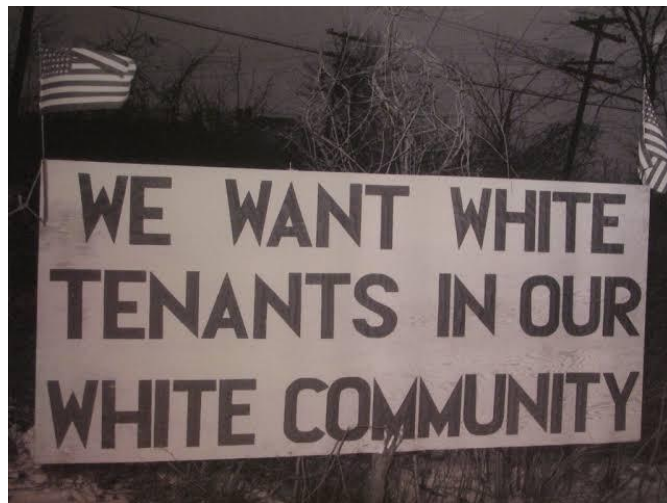
A quote by The Path Of The Dreamhealer about collective consciousness. The text is centered within a white rectangular box with a thin brown border. The background of the box features a faint, abstract pattern of warm colors like orange, red, and yellow, resembling a sunset or a textured surface. The quote is written in a black serif font.

When more conscious beings are connected to the same focused intention, a stronger and more intense bond is formed in our collective consciousness. This synchronicity of group consciousness can be strengthened by a common focus or intention. When we talk about the world reaching a higher level of conscious awareness, it is the result of many people merging their frequencies as one into a coherent pattern of resonating energy. The realization that we are all One will heal the world.  
- The Path Of The Dreamhealer

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The private housing market can always exist if it likes but residents shouldn't be forced to rely on it. There are residents whose families have been dealing with generational housing violence as it relates to race & class, they cannot rely on a privately owned market that has no accountability! Rent has gone up by over 65% within the last 10 years in LA County with no rebuttal for the blue-collar working class, retirees, residents of generational housing violence and displacement, college students, foster youth, and many many others.



**Westside For Everyone** @West... · 12h ...

From 1990 - 2020, the Black population in Venice decreased by 45%. (From 1960-1990 it was stable).

Stop the trend.

Data courtesy @PacificUrbanism

#BlackHistoryMonth 🍌 #RedliningIn2022



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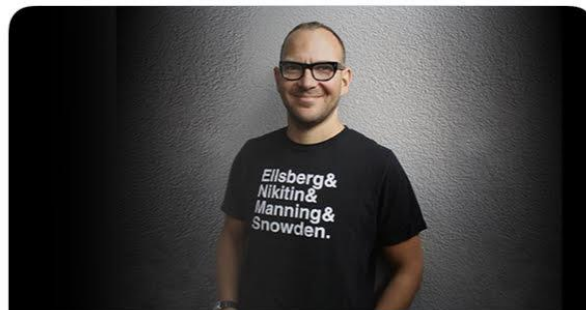


**Cory Doctorow** ✓ @doctorow · 1d

He reminds us that the original meaning of "free market" was "a market free from rents," where unproductive creditors were not allowed to lay a private tax on productive manufacturers.

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Cory Doctorow: Free Markets



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We don't have to have a landlord/tenant model of housing. Let's start there.

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This is another example of how European colonization operates to limit our imagination of what is possible in terms of how we exist as a human civilization. The whole model of landlords & tenants is an export of the European feudal system. We don't have to keep it.



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Replying to @BreeNewsome

We're talking about a situation where white colonizers stole vast amounts of land they continue to occupy and charge us rental fees for. The origins & underlying structures of the system make it impossible for justice or fair access to exist.

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This social agency will have nothing to do with private housing developments but it can purchase private housing and it can assist with securing housing for residents in privately owned housing. The Social Agency will maintain a website of AVAILABLE community-owned affordable, market-rate, and PS rental housing units. Privately owned units can also be listed. <<< **WATCH CYBER FRAUD/SCAMS which is rampant on apartment rental websites.**

The social agency is being created to develop and implement new housing developments on vacant publicly owned land and remodels for publicly owned vacant buildings. **The agency cannot deny community-owned housing developments in any neighborhood in LA County, they are a county-wide team that implements new developments of community-owned PS, affordable, and market-rate housing in ALL CITIES in the county, this includes SANTA MONICA, BEVERLY HILLS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, MARINA DEL REY, PASADENA, DOWNEY, LONG BEACH, etc., etc., etc., ALL CITIES IN LA COUNTY! The intentional segregation as it relates to race & class MUST end, THE NIMBY violence MUST END!**

**For community-owned affordable & market-rate housing, long-term residents of LA County should get priority with housing placements,** focusing on getting workers closer to their jobs. It is imperative for the health of humans, the health of the Earth, and other species that we reduce drive times, and reduce pollution. Preventing displacement is IMPERATIVE. The team can prevent displacement by subsidizing rent for tenants in privately owned units and/or helping move them to community-owned affordable housing.



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**Affordable homeownership-** full proposal coming soon, introduce co-ops, CLT's, and resell requirements. The primary focus is blue-collar workers (affordable with resell requirements) and market-rate housing. Use money from market-rate sales to place into the ONE trust account. Insert grassroots team to help with restorative justice aspects of homeownership for residents impacted by systematic racial violence.



How do you think this story is going to end?????????

**Short-term rentals-** introduce tourism short-term stays, money goes into the ONE trust account.

**Trust Account-** One trust account that will be audited by city/state controllers. Money comes from HUD, Feds, State, Donations, & HHH. The annual state surplus budget must donate a portion into trust every year. The tourism industry should be donating a portion of total earnings into the trust. The cannabis industry should be donating a portion of money into the trust, should be redirecting money to communities impacted by the “pretend war on drugs” created by the U.S Gov’t. A small portion is for admin/resident manager fees (try to avoid outsourcing resident management to other companies, which could run up costs). The largest portion of the trust is for housing development/property maintenance.) **How much are CA taxpayers giving in federal dollars to other states using the money for social services (TBD).**

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Community-owned housing cannot be sold to corporations. If TOPA is introduced, keep under CLT (land lease) to allow tenants to purchase their units but prevent corporations from being able to purchase\*\*\*??? (verify). Also, any money given to nonprofits to build affordable housing should mean that that housing cannot be sold to a corporation. How and why are some non-profits that received Gov't/Taxpayer money able to sell affordable buildings after a set number of years to private corporations?

Housing would go back to the social agency OR TOPA if the non-profit wanted to be released from oversight/responsibility. The Social Agency can buy privately owned

property and resell it to private owners/corporations but NOT publicly owned land/housing, not rent nor ownership. Again, community-owned developments are going to be built with the community in mind, with green space, stores, hospitals, etc., sometimes worked/developed within the communities.

## **Social Housing Plans ready for implementation;**

<https://htwws.org/santamonicaairport/>

### **(Author notes, not part of the proposal)**

-Examine the years that ADOS (American descendants of Survivors paid federal taxes but were not able to utilize public service. Examine displacement and communities that were intentionally burned t the ground by supremacists. Request reimbursement/hold percent of federal/state taxes to heal communities.

-Tenancy in common is a form of co-ownership of property in which each party owns an undivided interest that passes to his or her heirs at death. The interest is undivided

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because each tenant has rights in the whole property. Although ownership is in common, tenants may have equal or unequal shares.

-Joint tenancy is the joint ownership of property by two or more co-owners in which each co-owner owns an undivided portion of the property. On the death of one of the joint tenants, their interest is automatically passed to surviving tenants.

-Real property- immovable property, a building, land, plants etc, (though buildings can actually be moved depending on).

-Just cause eviction in CLT - Community members causing violence when corrective action cannot be taken, not working. Racial violence & other forms of discrimination. Peer court will recommend rehabilitation programs when permitted to do so, severe cases could result in immediate evictions.

-Land on Earth belongs to all of humanity.

-Land has not been fairly distributed to residents impacted by systematic housing violence as it relates to race & class.

-The aim of the Surplus Land Act (the "Act"); is **to increase the availability of real property in California for affordable housing development by requiring the prioritization of affordable housing when selling or leasing public lands no longer necessary for agency use.**

-Feb. 5, 1866: Thaddeus Stevens Proposes Land Distribution Amendment"  
<https://www.zinnedproject.org/news/tdih/thaddeus-stevens-freedmens-bill/>

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-Foster City- examine the broken foster system, keeping families together whenever possible, family planning services, safe housing & family for youth that are not able to stay with their biological families.

## To do;

-Write the state bar and include them on your housing emails. REQUIRE that the state bar authorize civil peers to oversee legal issues related to housing (LLP's).

-BLM the org must redirect funding into one trust that is overseen by a group of Black civil peers. Push money back into Black communities as direct UBI payment, as housing payments, treatment payments, crime & gang prevention, etc., etc.

-Email OMBW/Watch for grants (GS)

-Civilian Eminent Domain of Public Land; communities protected from Climate arson; Free market exists for those that want to be part of it.

-Establish Public Bank

-A PORTION of public land MUST remain PUBLICLY owned for use by the community.

-Agency divided into NSEW & Mid-City?!?! Civil Peer teams in NSEW & Mid-City ??

-If the BOS goes ROUGE, the social agency will partner with the state housing authority directly and override county BOS should they become non-compliant.

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-[representcal.org](https://representcal.org), why a constitutional convention is necessary, and how the CA constitution allows localities to abuse their position, allows illegal segregation as it relates to race & class.

-Examine pre-built tiny home/ADU placements in well put together communities that are affordable & supportive. Sheds are not tiny homes. Some residents already own tiny homes or they want to, can support themselves but need land. Communities likely could be supported in the valley.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Mia Grindon

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 06:09 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** We need an increased budget for all city housing departments, and I am very disappointed to learn that the proposed 2022-23 budget does the opposite by proposing such small budget increases for these departments that with high inflation, their budgets are essentially cut down. LA is in need of hundreds of thousands of new homes right now and we need ample resources to ensure that we can create this new housing stock in a timely and effective manner. This budget, if passed, will surely make matters worse regarding our housing and homelessness crises. These matters cannot be solved by other departments receiving increases in funding, such as the LAPD. I sincerely urge councilmembers to amend the draft budget to provide adequate funding for housing. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 07:20 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please increase funding for police. Los Angeles has become extremely unsafe. Businesses are suffering from all the crime. Los Angeles will lose many small and large businesses because of crime. The homeless situation is out of control and it is not because of lack of housing. The homeless situation is caused by drugs and mental illness. Even when offered beds most homeless people refuse because they do not want to obey rules. Law abiding citizens are being driven out of Los Angeles because crime and the disregard for what people really want from elected officials. People do not want to live in an unsafe, high density city with no parking. People do not want to take unsafe public transportation. Let's face it we need more police now!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Brian T

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 10:03 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** The proposed budget would not adequately fund the community plan updates for the up-zoning required by the LA housing element. I sincerely urge council members to amend the draft budget to provide adequate funding for the Department of City Planning, the Department of Building and Safety, and the housing department so we can address our housing crisis.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Joshua Gonzales

**Date Submitted:** 05/17/2022 10:09 PM

**Council File No:** 22-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** LA City is in need of 456,643 new homes, including 184,721 homes for low-income Angelenos. Achieving this goal in a timely and effective manner requires better funding all three city departments that work in housing - Department of City Planning, Department of Building and Safety, and the housing department. I am very disappointed to learn that the proposed 2022-23 budget does the opposite - it proposes such small budget increases for these departments that with high inflation, their budgets are essentially cut down. In comparison, the City proposes a 12% increase in budget for LAPD - a department that is not capable of ending homelessness, reducing housing burdens, and protecting renters. This budget, if passed, will worsen the housing and homelessness crises. I sincerely urge council members to amend the draft budget to provide adequate funding for housing, thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Thomas S Irwin

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**Comments for Public Posting:** LA City is in need of 456,643 new homes, including 184,721 homes for low-income Angelenos. Achieving this goal in a timely and effective manner requires better funding all three city departments that work in housing - Department of City Planning, Department of Building and Safety, and the housing department. I am very disappointed to learn that the proposed 2022-23 budget does the opposite - it proposes such small budget increases for these departments that with high inflation, their budgets are essentially cut down. In comparison, the City proposes a 12% increase in budget for LAPD - a department that is not capable of ending homelessness, reducing housing burdens, and protecting renters. This budget, if passed, will worsen the housing and homelessness crises. I sincerely urge councilmembers to amend the draft budget to provide adequate funding for housing