

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm very disturbed to hear that our LA City Council would approve leasing the Metro Park & Ride lot on Victory & Balboa to store Abandoned RV's... this parking lot is across the street from 8 Schools; Birmingham High School, High Tech High School, Magnolia Science Academy #2, Daniel Pearl Journalism Magnet, Lake Balboa College Prep Magnet (K-12), Independence High School, and Mulholland Middle School. The abandoned RV's are infested with bugs, vermin, and trash. These are toxic to our environment and our LA City Council Members want to create a storage parking lot across from 8 schools, many businesses, homes and apartments, and next to Balboa Park one of the Valley largest green spaces??? This makes no sense! Please reconsider this decision to create an Abandoned RV Storage Lot at Victory & Balboa for these reasons: 1. The LA City Council may naively think that no one will live in the Abandoned RV Park but there is a huge homeless population that lives in the Sepulveda Basin and parts of Woodley Park that will move into these RV's and turn this into an encampment. 2. This will impact all of the 6000+ students that attend the 8 different schools that are in the one square block from the RV Dump because the homeless population from the Sepulveda Basin will be moving in. This large homeless population will impact all of the schools and students with theft, drugs, property theft and damage, trash, and the possibility of bodily harm for students, teachers and school officials. Schools may need to hire security for daily school and events held on campus that used to be safe. 3. The cost for this horrible plan is \$350,000.00 per year for a two year lease that totals \$700,000.00 that we as taxpayers will pay for is absurd. RV's are made of mostly plastic but there are RV Salvage Yards that are able to scrap abandoned RV's. A simple Google search lists RVRemovers.com is one of many that The City of LA could contract with to scrap the RV's rather than pay \$350,000.00 per year for junk storage. At the end of the two year lease you will still have the abandoned RV's that will be even more infested with bugs, disease, and vermin. Will you send them to a Metro Parking Lot near the Getty House? That will be a great tourist attraction. 4. There is so much homelessness in the Sepulveda Basin and surrounding parks this Abandoned RV Storage will increase the homeless population and bring more drugs, violence, vermin,

trash and theft to the apartment and homes in this populated area. 5. If this takes affect, all 8 schools will have lower admissions for the 2026 school year. What parent is going to send their kid(s) to a school that is next to a homeless RV encampment? 6. There are many businesses around this area that will be subject to more theft, property damage, and loss of clients because of the trash and smell of the abandoned RV's. I wouldn't want to eat at a restaurant across the street from a toxic Abandoned RV Storage lot. 7. The Olympics are coming to LA in 2028, wouldn't \$700K be better spent to clean up our beaches, parks, museums, and tourist attractions? To increase security so our tourists are safe while visiting our city. For all of these reasons and more please reconsider this decision and look for better alternatives as I listed above to destroy the RV's because we all know that storing junk doesn't solve the problem. Thank you from a concerned parent.