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Subject: Public Comment for council file 23-0008-S6

To: <CityClerk@lacity.org>

Hi,

I have been trying to submit public comment for the transportation committee meeting today, for council file 23-0008-S6. The system isn't working. Nobody will answer the phone at City Clerk. Can you please submit the following text as my public comment:

This resolution is unconstitutional. The city is being sued right NOW in a lawsuit over restrictions on vehicle dwelling because they violate the 8th amendment. The whole point of Traci Park passing this restriction is 2 ban vehicle dwelling. That is who this affects. This resolution is CLASSIST & directly affects ppl (people) who are literally 2 poor to afford housing.

I have been a part of the neighborhood of Del Rey where Glencoe is located, & I had zero problem with the people in RVs. They have maintained ADA clearance when I walk by. I enjoy talking 2 my neighbors on Glencoe.

Meanwhile there are already parking restrictions on the street of Glencoe, & as of today NOBODY IS DWELLING IN A VEHICLE ON GLENCOE because they were already forcibly relocated despite Traci Park's office being obligated by a NC motion 2 provide outreach & help ppl b relocated instead of dislocated.

Why purposefully ban poor people from streets with only 1, two, or ZERO RVs? Traci Park is openly discriminating against the poor class. This isn't right. You have a duty 2 PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF YOUR CITIZENS--not to GO OUT OF YOUR WAY TO INFRINGE UPON THEM!

These resolutions Traci Park is pushing through your committee don't even MEET THE CRITERIA 2 restrict parking under 80.69.4 in nearly every. single. street in every single ordinance. This is a HUGE OVERSIGHT on ur part! Are u seriously neglecting ur duty?

This is outright cruel. Many of the ppl who live in RVs lost their housing in the 2008 housing crash & were not able 2 afford housing since. Most of the ppl who I know live in RVs are disabled in some way that they cannot work. A large percentage of our population is disabled physically or mentally, or are just too elderly 2 work. What are they supposed 2 do?

Average starting rent in CD11 is about \$2500. That is MORE than what a full time minimum wage workers makes after taxes! Landlords want renters 2 make as much as 3 times that! Meaning if you are 2 afford housing, u can't make less than \$75k to \$3k a year! Who the hell makes that kind of money? Most salaried workers don't even make that! What about small business owners who make less than that in net income after business expenses (Yet u see council members trying 2 further restrict street vendors. U do realize that they r sole proprietors, struggling 2 make a living, right? & as somebody with low blood sugar problems, street vendors have saved my life.)?

There is NO WAY 2 afford rent as a minimum wage workers UNLESS you are working full time AND have a voucher! My campmate finally got housed & is rent burdened between his rent & utilities even WITH a voucher & a utility subsidy! Disabled? on Disability, SSI, or SSDI? You're screwed!

Where the hell do you expect people to go?!!

It is UNTENABLE for you to vote yes on this motion!

I know so many ppl who live in RVs who wanted 2 submit public comment, however they were unable to. People in RVs deal with the same problems other unboused people deal with which makes it difficult for them 2 participate in these meetings, which is why it's especially important that you consider them and do what you can to protect them as your MOST VULNERABLE constituents! Many ppl who wanted 2 give comment today had 2 deal with forced relocation; & between the planning and the trauma, nobody was able to. I need 2 protect their rights as citizens! As constituents!

There are so few places where they could park their vehicle to begin with. Ppl had 2 search high & low for new spots. This was also inherently traumatic. Hell, one family has a daughter recovering from BRAIN CANCER with repeat surgeries which has left her disabled al& unable 2 properly express herself without help, & her father had 2 hire ppl with money he didn't have in order 2 move their vehicles. This is ridiculous. That is who you displaced--ppl who hardly have anything & are struggling the most when u could have been BENEVOLENT allowed ppl stay in their neighborhoods in the communities where they are from & connected 2.

One of my neighbors lived on Glencoe her ENTIRE LIFE! FOR 60 YEARS! SHE WAS BORN ON GLENCOE! yet you are telling her she is not allowed 2 be in her own neighborhood! You know why she lives in an RV? Because she lost her home she spent her life working 2 afford 2 a housing crash & now she's disabled!

Ppl come here b/c of wildfires, tourism, the Olympics —HOW is that going 2 work when visitors or ppl seeking refuge start reporting back that LA is hostile 2 tourists & 2 NOT go there as a tourist or 2 spectate the Olympics? There will be zero parking when millions come here. Hotels r already booked up under Inside Safe, & I assure u the current hotel stock will not be enough 4 everybody & will be too high for many ppl spending what money they do have 2 come here just 2 see a once in a lifetime event!

SERVE the ppl! This resolution is unconstitutional & disproportionately affects the poorest & disabled! That's discrimination and classism! PROTECT our rights!