

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Perpetual homeless encampments and homeless fires in Highland Park. Dear Council Members, We have had multiple encampments, homeless trespassers, and several devastating fires caused by the homeless at the following addresses: 4601 N. Figueroa St. (Historical Zeigler Estate) (owned by City of LA) 4605 N. Figueroa St. (Historical Casa de Adobe) (owned by the Autry) 4621-4633 N. Figueroa St. (our residential complex) We have been contacting our council office (CD1) for the last three years but the encampments are still here. We have also been in constant contact with the property owners regarding the two historical nuisance properties above as there are constant crime alerts and 911 calls regarding both properties. They have started two fires in front which set our trees on fire and burned out a car and at least one fire inside the fence at 4601. The latest crime was a major fire behind 4605 on Woodside Drive (alley) That totally destroyed three storage garages, three of our cars our back fence, and just missed our homes by inches. The fire was set by the homeless woman camped on the city sidewalk in front of 4605. That fire is still under investigation but subsequently, the same woman started a second fire by throwing a fire bomb directly at the back door of 4605 (Casa de Adobe) This time she was caught red handed by security cameras and was immediately arrested. We need to relocate these encampment or provide housing ASAP as these homeless individuals are a threat to our lives and safety as well as having extremely aggressive behavior. The man at the largest encampment has huge piles of junk all over the city sidewalk and is cooking on a camping stove!!! We are terrified of another fire. PLEASE PLEASE ADDRESS THESE CAMPS. WE TRULY FEAR FOR OUR SAFETY AND HAVE PHOTOS TO PROVE IT THAT LOOK LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF ALIENATION. If any of you would like to take a look in person at the devastating fire from August 28th, please feel free to do a drive by on Woodside Drive. Us residents should not have to live like this. The situation The homeless are running rampant in our neighborhoods wreaking havoc and there does not seem to be a viable solution. The only real help we have been getting is from the amazing LAPD, mainly the Senior Lead Officers whose actions are limited by the laws. The homeless situation at these addresses is not recent, it has been going on for many years and

there is just no excuse anymore for the lack of attention and action. Whatever the city is doing (if anything) is not enough. These camps continue to persist putting the residents of our neighborhood in jeopardy. We need increased preventative measures at both historical properties as there is zero on site security (Human beings) and the homeless know that and take full advantage. The upper windows at 4601 are wide open and the homeless are living it up in the five bedroom turn of the century home. that is on the register of historical places. There have been no concrete pro-active solutions, only reaction to every incident after the fact. **WE NEED ACTION AND SOLUTIONS NOW.** I will forward JPEG photos to the city clerk. Thank you, Carol Reush 310-720-5543



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