

Communication from Public

Name: Edwin Felix

Date Submitted: 05/16/2024 11:47 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: my name is Edwin I'm a resident of Los Angeles and I urge the council to pass the mayors budget we want to see more done to house the homeless. I would like to see more job opportunities for those in need. And I would like some help with some housing if possible please and thank you.

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Name: Phyllis Jean

Date Submitted: 05/17/2024 07:17 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Confronting the Homelessness crisis I support the mayor's budget on how she continues to respond to the homeless emergency and making sure there funds are allocated to reduce homelessness. No one should have to live on the street in tents or in their car. We must continue to support the mayor's efforts and help find strategies to end homelessness.

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Name: C. Brooks

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Comments for Public Posting: Mayor Bass stands out as one of the kindest and most genuine of politicians. Her dedication to our city is evident in every action she takes. Her Inside Safe program transformed my Venice neighborhood, offering housing to everyone in a previously large and dangerous encampment. The area has not repopulated, meaning hundreds have found housing and tens of thousands have regained essential use of pedestrian corridors in our heavily trafficked area. This success has been replicated across the city, restoring many public spaces to their intended use and enhancing safety for all residents. I support passing her budget priorities. But homelessness and its many consequences remain an unrelenting emergency. So I'm also very heartened to see the Mayor's office coordinating with auditors to determine what's actually working and what needs to be fixed to make sure people get into all the housing that's been purchased for them and that they receive the services they need once housed. The city must also INSIST that the county expedites delivery of the mental health and substance abuse beds and treatment that is SO desperately needed. Our homeless population is suffering and dying on our streets, and it is now a near-daily occurrence that innocent victims are being assaulted and brutally harmed by mentally unstable and/or drug sick individuals, most of whom are also unhoused. Women, children, and men have all been in the news in recent weeks after being struck, raped, stabbed, "dragged by the ponytail", shot at, or crashed into by a vehicle – to name just a few of the incidents that have occurred. Those of us in areas with a large population of mentally unstable folks know the real numbers of assaults are much, much higher, because we all have friends and family members who've been attacked or had objects thrown at them – but their injuries weren't "serious" enough to warrant a news report. Our city and county workers are not safe doing their public service jobs and our residents aren't safe in public spaces as long as this untreated population is left on our streets. Whatever it takes to fix this must be done. Please.