

Communication from Public

Name: Rd Plasschaert

Date Submitted: 05/20/2025 04:57 PM

Council File No: 24-0600

Comments for Public Posting: May 20, 2025 In Re: Council File Number: 25-0600 Good day, My name is Rd Plasschaert. I cannot come in person to the Council meeting on 5-21-2025, due to my health issues. Please see my attached .pdf for my comment.

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Good day,

My name is Rd Plasschaert.

I cannot come in person to the Council meeting on 5-21-2025, due to my health issues.

As a senior disabled person, residing CD1; and as a person with lived experience in various subject matters that include mental well-being; housing insecurity; food insecurity; medical insecurity, the matter of the City budget affects my ability to live, my health and safety, and my community well-being.

Thank you to the Budget, Finance, and Innovation committee for not only approving the Mayor's proposal to continue the Unarmed Model of Crisis Response (UMCR) pilot, yet also EXPANDING it to 3 additional areas.

As the Council finalizes the budget, I ask you leave the Mayor's initial \$9.376 million dollars of funding alone, AND approve the \$4.4 million for expansion as recommended by the Budget committee.

The UMCR is part of the City's long-term commitment to establish a 24/7 comprehensive city-wide unarmed crisis response program, and the current proposed budget grows UMCR to almost 43% coverage of the city.

I look forward to council expanding the program to 100% of the city in the coming years.

Thank you

Rd Plasschaert

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Name: Silvia Llosa

Date Submitted: 05/21/2025 11:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing as a resident of CD 14 advocating for the continued funding of 8 Licensed Preschools run by the Department of Parks and Recreations. These preschools are a testament that cities can run affordable and high quality childcare. Having visited many preschools in our neighborhood, Evergreen Child Care Center provides a learning environment that far exceeds the norm: healthy lunches prepared onsite by teachers, community walks, and best of all, an 8 to 1 student to teacher ratio which is far below the 12 to 1 ratio mandated by the state of California. Our children are thriving because RAP developed a preschool program that implements best practices. The City of Los Angeles has an opportunity to be a leader in the way public preschools should be operated. Privitizing would not guarantee this same quality of care for our children. Considering that public funds were responsible for the renovations and reopening of these centers, we are asking that they continue to remain public and operated by RAP. Thank you.