

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to reporting on legal and policy options to reduce the overconcentration of sober living facilities in residential neighborhoods; and related matters.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Park - Lee):

INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to report back on legal and policy options to reduce the overconcentration of sober living facilities in residential neighborhoods, including:

1. Establishing minimum spacing requirements between facilities, modeled on the Costa Mesa ordinance upheld by the courts.
2. Exploring caps or dispersal requirements within community plan areas to ensure equitable distribution citywide.
3. Considering thresholds based on facility size (e.g. homes with more than 6 residents) to target regulations at the uses most likely to create infrastructure burdens.
4. Reviewing case studies and research to evaluate how the City can preserve the benefits of recovery housing while avoiding the drawbacks of excessive clustering.
5. Report on existing policies for approving sober living facilities.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:

Del Rey Neighborhood Council

Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council

West LA - Sawtelle Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on February 10, 2026, the PLUM Committee considered Motion (Park - Lee) relative to reporting on legal and policy options to reduce the overconcentration of sober living facilities in residential neighborhoods; and related matters. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the Motion as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD	YES
HUTT	YES
NAZARIAN	YES
LEE	YES
RAMAN	YES

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