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Interim and Affordable Housing at 1060 North Vignes Street

The 2019 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count found nearly 59,000 people experiencing homelessness in the County of Los Angeles (County), 75% of whom were unsheltered. Of those unsheltered, over 12,000 were in Service Planning Area 4 (SPA 4), which encompasses Downtown LA and the surrounding neighborhoods. In its continued efforts to address to the need for housing in the First Supervisorial District and throughout the County, the County has made its own assets available for the development of interim and affordable housing.

The County recently leased to the City of Los Angeles a County-owned property in the First District located at 2817 South Hope Street for a year-round interim housing project. The temporary bridge housing facility on Hope Street is currently under construction and will operate as an emergency shelter for up to three years, providing hygiene, storage, food services, and case management for up to 100 single adults experiencing homelessness in the surrounding area.

Bob Hope Patriotic Hall (Hall) is a County-owned facility and offers a variety of

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services to Los Angeles County Veterans, active members of the United States Armed Forces, and their dependents and survivors. As the County completes an assessment of parking needs for the Hall, the County is also taking into account the housing needs of Veterans and their families and making recommendations for the potential development of affordable housing at the Hall.

In 2018, the County acquired the property located at 1060 North Vignes Street. The Vignes site is located in SPA 4 and is near Union Station, a major transit hub. The County should explore potential short-term and long-term housing solutions that could be developed at 1060 North Vignes Street. The utilization of County-owned property plays an important role in addressing the severe shortage of interim as well as affordable housing in the County.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in coordination with the Department of Public Works, Department of Regional Planning, Los Angeles County Development Authority, CEO Homeless Initiative, and any other pertinent County Departments or agencies, to report back to the Board in 90 days with recommendations to develop interim and/or affordable housing at 1060 North Vignes Street, Los Angeles, California, including an implementation schedule, evaluation of funding needs, and review of all available funding streams that may be used to cover capital development of housing and, if applicable, homeless services.

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