HARBOR CITY
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

-COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT-

Council File: 26-1347 - People Experiencing Homelessness (PEH) / Comprehensive Analysis and Documentation / Los Angeles Regions Interim Resources / Actions and Resources Required / Facility Bed Matching

Position: SUPPORT

The Harbor City Neighborhood Council supports Council File 26-1347, which addresses the actions and resources necessary to implement interim facility bed matching for City-funded interim housing beds in the event of a dissolution of the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and a separation of homelessness program responsibilities between the City and County of Los Angeles.

The Neighborhood Council recognizes the importance of maintaining continuity, coordination, and accountability within the City's homelessness response system. Any restructuring of homelessness services must ensure that individuals currently receiving assistance do not experience unnecessary disruptions in their placements, services, or access to interim housing.

The Harbor City Neighborhood Council believes that the City must be adequately prepared to assume responsibility for the administration and coordination of its interim housing resources.

Accordingly, the Neighborhood Council urges the City to:

1. **Ensure continuity of services:** Establish a clear transition plan that prevents interruptions in interim housing placements and related services for individuals currently receiving assistance.
2. **Maintain accurate bed availability information:** Develop and maintain an accurate, regularly updated system identifying available, occupied, and temporarily unavailable City-funded interim housing beds.
3. **Establish clear accountability:** Identify the City departments and agencies responsible for administering facility bed matching, placement coordination, and oversight of City-funded interim housing resources.
4. **Provide transparency:** Establish regular public reporting on the utilization of City-funded interim housing resources, placement outcomes, and the effectiveness of the bed-matching process, while protecting confidential personal information.
5. **Coordinate with service providers:** Ensure that existing interim housing operators and service providers receive clear guidance and adequate support

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during any transition in administrative responsibilities.

6. **Consider neighborhood impacts:** Ensure that Neighborhood Councils and affected communities have opportunities to receive information and provide input regarding the implementation of homelessness programs and interim housing resources within their respective communities.

The Neighborhood Council believes that an effective homelessness response requires more than the availability of interim housing beds. It also requires responsible administration, consistent coordination, measurable outcomes, and public accountability.

The Harbor City Neighborhood Council supports Council File 26-1347 and encourages the City to prioritize a transparent, well-coordinated, and adequately resourced transition that protects individuals experiencing homelessness while maintaining accountability to the communities throughout Los Angeles.

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