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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Council File No.: 20-1376-S1
Council File Title: Unlawful Sitting, Lying, Sleeping / Unlawful Personal Property Storage, Use, Maintenance / Private Property / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment

ASNC Position: OPPOSE

Date: September 27, 2021

The Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council opposes Council File 20-1376. Though framed as more compassionate than the original motion, this new substitute motion will still result in encampment sweeps and displacement for LA's houseless.

Creating anti-homeless enforcement zones across certain designated areas does nothing to combat the root causes of homelessness and enforces a futile punitive approach to this city's housing crisis. Additionally, these zones will result in increased dangerous confrontations between houseless and armed police, even if the new motion calls for citations rather than arrests.

Criminalizing our way out of homelessness does not work. As a city, we must take responsibility for this crisis — for allowing rents to greatly outpace incomes, for prioritizing large luxury development over the preservation and creation of affordable housing, and for allowing evictions and displacement to ravage our communities and force tens of thousands out of their homes and onto the streets. These are the root causes that have created this unprecedented crisis, and it is only by addressing these underlying issues that we will have any chance to make progress in the right direction.

The ASNC asks for expanded housing and services rather than expanded criminalization through special enforcement zones and citations.

Sincerely,

Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council

The vote count is as follows:

Yes:	--	No:	--	Abstain:	--
Recuse:	--	Ineligible:	--	Absent:	--



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