CATEGORY: Policy

COMMITTEE: PH&S Homeless Committee

PURPOSE: REQUEST FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF LAMC 41.18

BACKGROUND:

§41.18 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code provides that the Los Angeles City Council by Resolution may designate specified areas for enforcement against sitting, lying, sleeping, or storing, using, maintaining, or placing personal property, or otherwise obstructing the public right-of- way, and for a person to be found in violation of any of these prohibited behaviors. In approving §41.18, the Los Angeles City Council further found that the public health, safety, or welfare is served by the prohibition(s) therein, and further found that sleeping or lodging within the stated proximity to such designated area(s) is unhealthy, unsafe, or incompatible with safe passage. Since the passage of §41.18, several council districts have invoked §41.18.

The below listed encampment locations have been obstructing the public right-of-way, and are unhealthy, unsafe and/or incompatible with safe passage:

- (1) Sawtelle Boulevard by the 10 Freeway and 405 freeway exchange;
- (2) Centinela Avenue under the 10 freeway; and,
- (3) on the north side of Venice Boulevard under the 405 over pass (at or near Globe).

The Mar Vista Public Health & Safety Homeless Committee believes that the circumstances at these locations pose a particular and ongoing threat to public health and/or safety as found by the LA City Council and that these encampment locations should be prohibited pursuant to §41.18 [a, b, and/or c] of the Los Angeles Municipal Code Council.

THE MOTION:

The MVCC Board requests that pursuant to §41.18 [a, b, and/or c] of the Los Angeles Municipal Code Council Member Mike Bonin immediately designate said encampment locations for enforcement against sitting, lying, sleeping, or storing, using, maintaining, or placing personal property, or otherwise obstructing the public right-of-way, up to the maximum distance and effective for the maximum period of time prescribed, and as further detailed in §41.18:

- (1) Sawtelle Boulevard by the 10 Freeway and 405 freeway exchange;
- (2) Centinela Avenue under the 10 freeway; and,
- (3) on the north side of Venice Boulevard under the 405 overpass (at or near Globe).

DIRECTED TO: CD11 LA City Council Member Mike Bonin