Email Letter to Nury Martinez

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Councilmember Martinez:

Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has been the most broad-based organization and voice of the Palisades community for 48 years. We represent over 25,000 stakeholders and we serve the same function as a Neighborhood Council. We remain uncertified by choice.

We are also a respected member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC). Eight WRAC member councils have now passed motions opposing the use of beaches, beach parking lots and parks for homeless housing. At least six of these councils, including PPCC (who all oppose this use and/or the above CF), were waiting to make comments on this matter at the Homelessness and Poverty Cmtee meeting on 5/13, but were never called on. Five of these are certified neighborhood councils who are entitled to priority in speaking but did not receive it, for unknown reasons.

None of the councils in the areas where the sites proposed in the Bonin motion are located were called on at the Cmtee meeting: Mar Vista, Pacific Palisades and Westchester-Playa.** Our stakeholders were denied the opportunity for their representative organizations to speak for them on this highly important issue.

Additionally, approximately 80 other individuals who were on the line and wanted to comment were cut off.

This is unacceptable. Sufficient time for public comment clearly has not been provided.

We request that you permit further public comment on this matter at the Council meeting when this is scheduled. At a minimum, Neighborhood Councils should be allowed priority to speak along with PPCC and all councils whose areas are directly impacted by the motion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

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