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## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE CUDAHY CITY COUNCIL  
Monday, June 6, 2016 – 3:30 P.M.

### Rules of Decorum

*"Members of the Public are advised that all **PAGERS, CELLULAR TELEPHONES** and any **OTHER COMMUNICATION DEVICES** are to be **turned off** upon entering the City Council Chambers." If you need to have a discussion with someone in the audience, kindly step out into the lobby.*

Under the Government Code, the City Council may regulate disruptive behavior that impedes the City Council Meeting.

Disruptive conduct may include, but is not limited to:

- Screaming or yelling during another audience member's public comments period;
- Profane language directed at individuals in the meeting room;
- Throwing objects at other individuals in the meeting room;
- Physical or verbal altercations with other individuals in the meeting room; and
- Going beyond the allotted two-minute public comment period granted.

When a person's or group's conduct disrupts the meeting, the Mayor or presiding officer will request that the person or group stop the disruptive behavior, and WARN the person or group that they will be asked to leave the meeting room if the behavior continues.

If the person or group refuses to stop the disruptive behavior, the Mayor or presiding officer may order the person or group to leave the meeting room, and may request that those persons be escorted from the meeting room.

It should also be noted that any person who WILLFULLY disturbs or breaks up the City Council meeting may be arrested for a misdemeanor offense. (*Penal Code § 403.*)

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Guerrero  
Council Member Garcia  
Council Member Markovich  
Vice Mayor Hernandez  
Mayor Sanchez

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Mayor: Each member of the public may submit one comment card if he or she wishes to address the City Council. Only speakers that submit a comment card within the first 20 minutes of the meeting will be permitted to speak for two (2) minutes concerning items listed on the agenda only.)

5. BUSINESS SESSION

- A. Support Los Angeles County Trailer Bill Language Proposal to Help Counties Combat Homelessness (*page 5*)

*Presented By City Manager*

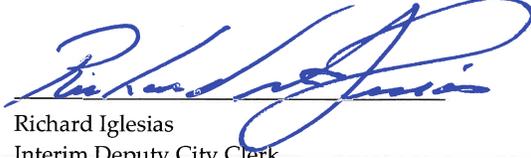
**Recommendation:** The City Council is requested to support Los Angeles County Trailer Bill Language Proposal to help counties combat homelessness.

- B. Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 Budget Study Session

6. ADJOURNMENT

I Richard Iglesias, hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted at Cudahy City Hall, Bedwell Hall, Clara Park, Lugo Park, and the City's Website not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of said Agenda is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2016



Richard Iglesias  
Interim Deputy City Clerk

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# Item Number 5A

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## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** June 6, 2016

**To:** Honorable Mayor/Chair and City Council/Agency Members

**From:** Jose E. Pulido, City Manager/Executive Director  
By: Richard Iglesias, Interim Deputy City Clerk

**Subject:** **Support Los Angeles County Trailer Bill Language Proposal to Help Counties Combat Homelessness**

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

The City Council is requested to support Los Angeles County Trailer Bill Language Proposal to help counties combat homelessness.

### **BACKGROUND**

1. On February 9, 2016, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the coordinated set of 47 strategies in 6 categories: Prevent Homelessness; Subsidize Housing; Increase Income; Provide Case Management and Services; Create a Coordinated System; and Increase Affordable/Homeless Housing. To launch the initial implementation of these strategies, the Board allocated \$100 million in one-time funding, while emphasizing the critical need for ongoing revenue to sustain the strategies.
2. On February 9, 2016, at the Board of Supervisors' meeting, Councilmember Christian Markovich expressed City of Cudahy's strong support for the County's Homeless Initiative's strategies to combat homelessness with the partnering cities.
3. On May 31, 2016, the County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office sent an email correspondence requesting that the City take action and support the Trailer Bill Language Proposal by sending a letter of support and resolution by June 10, 2016.

## **ANALYSIS**

This Trailer Bill Language Proposal would provide counties with the authority to seek voter approval to impose a special tax on personal annual incomes over \$1 million dollars for purposes of providing housing and services for homeless individuals/families. We are experiencing a severe homelessness problem statewide, and Los Angeles County's homeless population continues to grow at an alarming rate. Combating homelessness is a top priority across Los Angeles County.

According to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), the overall number of homeless people in the County on any given night increased to 46,874 in 2016, which is 6% more than in 2015, and 19% more than in 2013. The subset of homeless people living in encampments, tents and vehicles increased by 20% from 2015 to 2016, and a staggering 123% from 2013 to 2016. LAHSA estimates that \$450 million in additional, ongoing revenue is needed to address the current gap in homeless housing and services, excluding housing construction costs. A one-half percent tax on personal income over \$1 million/year is estimated to generate \$243 million annually in Los Angeles County.

The Trailer Bill Language Proposal would help address homelessness, not only at the state and county level but in Cudahy as well. Our community would benefit by new resources provided to the homeless.

## **CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the City Council support Los Angeles County Trailer Bill Language Proposal to help counties combat homelessness by sending a letter and resolution supporting Bill Language Proposal.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

None.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. Sample Letter
- B. Resolution



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June 6, 2016

The Honorable Kevin de León  
President pro Tempore of the  
California State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 205  
Sacramento, California 95814

The Honorable Anthony Rendon  
Speaker of the California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 219  
Sacramento, California 95814

The Honorable Mark Leno, Chair  
Senate Budget and Fiscal Review  
Committee  
State Capitol, Room 5100  
Sacramento, California 95814

The Honorable Philip Ting, Chair  
Assembly Budget Committee  
State Capitol, Room 6026  
Sacramento, California 95814

**RE: SUPPORT - Los Angeles County Trailer Bill Language Proposal to Help Counties Combat Homelessness**

Dear Senator de León and Speaker Rendon; and Senator Leno and Assembly Member Ting:

The City of Cudahy urges your support for trailer bill language (TBL) that would provide counties with the authority to seek voter approval to impose a special tax on personal annual incomes over \$1 million dollars for purposes of providing housing and services for homeless individuals/families. We are experiencing a severe homelessness problem statewide, and Los Angeles County's homeless population continues to grow at an alarming rate.

Combating homelessness is a top priority across Los Angeles county. On February 9, 2016, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the coordinated set of 47 strategies in 6 categories: Prevent Homelessness; Subsidize Housing; Increase Income; Provide Case Management and Services; Create a Coordinated System; and Increase Affordable/Homeless Housing. To launch the initial implementation of these strategies, the Board allocated \$100 million in one-time funding, while emphasizing the critical need for ongoing revenue to sustain the strategies.

According to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), the overall number of homeless people in the County on any given night increased to 46,874 in 2016, which is 6% more than in 2015, and 19% more than in 2013. The subset of homeless people living in encampments, tents and vehicles increased by 20% from 2015 to 2016, and a staggering 123% from 2013 to 2016. LAHSA estimates that \$450 million in additional, ongoing revenue is needed to address the current gap in homeless housing and services, excluding housing construction costs. A one-half percent tax on personal income over \$1 million/year is estimated to generate \$243 million annually in Los Angeles County.

In addition, Los Angeles County conducted a poll to determine voter support for potential revenue raising options. The most popular option is a tax on personal income above \$1 million/year which is supported by 76% of likely Los Angeles County voters in the November 2016 General Election. Additionally, that same poll found that 64% of the voters polled would support the extension of Proposition 30, and that a measure to tax high income to combat homelessness would have no impact on the level of support for the extension of Proposition 30.

I urge your support for the inclusion of the TBL proposal in the final California Budget Act of 2016-17.

Sincerely,

Baru Sanchez

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-XX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
CUDAHY TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS**

**WHEREAS**, any official position of the City of Cudahy with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, the homeless crisis continues to pervade the County of Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS**, addressing homelessness and implementing plans will require hundreds of millions of dollars over multiple years to provide the housing and supportive services needed to provide stable homes; and

**WHEREAS**, both the City of Cudahy and the County are seeking to identify dedicated long-term funding sources to sustain their efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors recently took action to seek legislation that would allow for the establishment of a half-cent tax on individuals whose income exceeds one million dollars annually; and

**WHEREAS**, State legislation is needed to authorize counties to place such a measure on the ballot for voter approval, as counties do not have the authority to levy such an income tax; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to ensure all funding options are available to address homelessness in City of Cudahy, the City of Cudahy supports the County's legislative proposal to amend State law to grant counties the authority to seek voter approval of a tax on personal income above \$1,000,000 per year to combat homelessness;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, City of Cudahy SUPPORTS Los Angeles County's efforts to amend State law to grant counties the authority to seek voter approval of a tax on personal income above \$1,000,000 per year to combat homelessness.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Cudahy at its special meeting on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

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Baru Sanchez  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Richard Iglesias  
Interim Deputy City Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES       ) SS:  
CITY OF CUDAHY                 )

I, Richard Iglesias, Interim Deputy City Clerk of the City of Cudahy, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 16-XX was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Cudahy, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016, and that said Resolution was adopted by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Richard Iglesias  
Interim Deputy City Clerk