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Comments:

I am a longtime resident of Pasadena and an advocate for persons experiencing homelessness in our City. I appreciate the effort taken by our Housing Department in preparing the draft “Consolidated Performance and Evaluation Report for Projects Funded by Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant and Home Investment Partnership Act.” While the report and dense materials attached were publicly noticed for comment prior to this hearing, advocates for persons experiencing homelessness would greatly appreciate it if the Housing Department conducted public outreach in order to explain the report and goals/accomplishments so the public can understand them and ask questions. Our City is not doing enough for our unsheltered residents. It is not apparent from the report whether greater funds could have been provided for interim housing to protect our unsheltered residents. Further, the report notes as follows: “Challenges with COVID, staffing and locations have prevented the [Bad Weather] shelter from opening.” There are many greatly concerned residents about this as is evident from the comments submitted on agenda items #3 and #4. It is unclear from the report on those agenda items whether alternatives could have been pursued earlier to avoid the drastic result of no Bad Weather Shelter.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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