OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE
11.2

January 6, 2017

TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

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OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

NOTICE
1.11

February 25, 2016

TO: All Office of Operations Personnel

FROM: Director, Office of Operations

SUBJECT: REGULATIONS AFFECTING PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS – LAMC § 63.44

On September 27, 2015, the City Council amended Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 63.44. The purpose of this Notice is to identify the changes to the ordinance. Officers should cite all first-time offenders as an infraction on a Release From Custody, Form 05.02.02, except for those offenses otherwise listed as a misdemeanor, which will require a Release From Custody Report Continuation, Form 05.02.08.

First violations of all subsections of LAMC Section 63.44 are now INFRACTIONS, except for violations of the specific subsections of the following two subdivisions, which remain MISDEMEANORS.

I. Section 63.44(B)(26) - Bulky Items, Tents and Storage of Personal Property (Parks).

(c) Prohibits bringing bulky items into a park without a permit.

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(i) Prohibits failing to remove attended "Stored Personal Property" (as defined in the ordinance) from a park after either receiving 24-hours written notice or after the park closes (only where signs are posted).

(l) Prohibits illegal dumping.

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(l) Prohibits illegal dumping.

The following <u>three subdivisions</u> of LAMC Section 63.44 have been ADDED or AMENDED. These subsections are now INFRACTIONS.

I. Section 63.44(B)(3) - Vending Prohibited (Except as specifically allowed below).

NOTE: Section 63.44(B)(3) prohibited all vending in parks. Now, while general vending is still prohibited, certain vending and performance-related activities are allowed.

(a) A person may engage in traditional expressive speech and petitioning activities, and may vend the following expressive items: newspapers, leaflets, pamphlets, bumper stickers, patches, and/or buttons.

(b) A person may vend the following items, which have been created, written, or composed by the vendor: books, audio, or other recordings of their performances, paintings, photographs, prints, sculptures, or any other item that is inherently communicative and is of nominal value or utility apart from its communication.

(c) Any item which has **<u>more than</u>** nominal value or utility or use apart from whatever message/expression it conveys **<u>cannot</u>** be vended. Examples include, but are not limited to: housewares, appliances, articles of clothing, sunglasses, auto parts, oils, incense, perfume, crystals, lotions, candles, jewelry, toys, and stuffed animals.

(d) A vendor only may display items that may be vended pursuant to this subsection.

(e) A vendor may not include a non-exempt product as a free gift with the required purchase of one of the above exempt items.

(f) A performer may perform.

(g) Notwithstanding the above, persons with a valid City permit, license, or contract may engage in vending or operate an event, concession, or business.

(h) Any person vending items allowed under the ordinance must still follow proper tax/licensing requirements.

II. Section 63.44(D)(4) - Camping in Parks.

No person shall camp in a park, except in locations designated for such purposes, or erect any tent, excluding umbrellas or sun shades.

III. Section 63.44(I)(9) - Camping on the Beach.

No person shall camp on a beach, except in locations designated for such purposes, or erect any tent, excluding umbrellas or sun shades. No person shall fasten or connect their umbrella or sun shade to any structure, stake, pole, tree, rock, fence, or other object.

NOTE: Second and subsequent violations for all LAMC 63.44 Sections can be considered either an infraction or a misdemeanor. Misdemeanor filings require a Release From Custody Report Continuation, Form 05.02.08.

NOTE: To ensure proper enforcement, officers should familiarize themselves with the definitions of the various terms included in the ordinance.

Should you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Evaluation and Administration Section, Office of Operations, at (213) 486-6050.

JORGE A. VILLEGAS, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE
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December 18, 2019

TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: MORATORIUM ON ENFORCEMENT OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 85.02 – REGULATING THE USE OF VEHICLES FOR DWELLING

Effective January 1, 2020, Department personnel shall not enforce Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 85.02, which restricts the use of vehicles for dwelling on City streets. Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 85.02 will expire and be deemed repealed on January 1, 2020, pursuant to a sunset provision contained in the ordinance. A motion requesting the City Attorney to prepare and present a new ordinance reinstating LAMC Section 85.02 is currently pending in City Council. However, this motion has not yet been approved.

> **Note:** Department personnel may still enforce all other local and State laws prohibiting overnight parking on City streets and other parking offenses.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Office of Constitutional Policing and Policy, at (213) 486-8730.

MICHEL R. MOORE
Chief of Police

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OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

NOTICE
1.11

October 19, 2018

TO: All Office of Operations Personnel

FROM: Director, Office of Operations

SUBJECT: ACTIVATION OF BODY WORN VIDEO DURING BUREAU OF SANITATION CLEANUP OPERATIONS - REMINDER

Department personnel are often assigned to provide assistance during street and sidewalk cleaning and enforcement operations by the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS). These operations involve Rapid Response efforts to remove obstructions to public rights-of-way and cleanup efforts as part of Operation Healthy Streets, and Clean Streets Los Angeles.

During the cleanup operations, BOS personnel may be exercising their lawful enforcement authorities to seize items and personal property while uniformed Department personnel, equipped with body worn video (BWV) cameras, are assisting by ensuring a safe environment and addressing any criminal investigative or enforcement issues.

Department personnel are reminded that Manual Section 3/579.15 requires officers to activate their BWV prior to the initiation of any investigative or enforcement activity involving a member of the public. BWV activation is also required during:

> "[o]ther investigative or enforcement activities where, in the officer's judgment, a video recording would assist in the investigation or prosecution of a crime or when a recording of an encounter would assist in documenting the incident for later investigation or review."

When Department personnel are assisting BOS in their enforcement and cleanup activities, the circumstances may require direct contact with members of the public or assistance for BOS involving members of the public. In addition, using BWV to record the operation will assist in documenting the incident in the event of a citizen's complaint against an officer or the City of Los Angeles, or as evidence other types of investigations. *Accordingly, Department personnel are reminded to activate their BWV prior to and during cleanup and enforcement operations by BOS.*

Should you have questions, please contact the Department Homeless Coordinator, Office of Operations, at (213) 486-6050.

for:

ROBERT N. ARCOS, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

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A note from ...

COMMANDER TODD CHAMBERLAIN
Los Angeles Police Department
Operations-Central Bureau

251 East Sixth Street • Los Angeles • CA 90014 (213) 833-3735 FAX (213) 485-1865

June 27, 2016

Bureau Commanding Officers:

One issue raised in the Mitchell lawsuit involves enforcement of various laws against persons unlawfully in possession of shopping carts. After careful review of any and all statutes concerning unlawful possession or use of shopping carts, the Office of the City Attorney has determined the two following statutes are the most appropriate and applicable for enforcement purposes in the City of Los Angeles.

The first is California Business & Professions Code §§22435.2 and 22435.3. The second is LAMC § 41.45. Both make unlawful possession of a shopping cart an offense, and both contain certain factual criteria which must be present for a violation to be established. The B & P section is a misdemeanor, while the LAMC section is an infraction (with fine).

In regard to Business & Professions Code §22435.2 and .3, and LAMC § 41.45, they both appear to be available for enforcement by officers under the right set of facts. The Department's position with respect to such types of offenses has historically been to treat these kinds of violations as infractions and issue citations (vs. effectuating a full custodial arrest). Under the advisement of the City Attorney's Office, it would be in the Department's best interest not to treat either of these offenses any differently, and enforce both by way of citation. This posture is consistent with the recently approved Department Homeless Policy, which emphasizes a level of compassion and patience.

In light of the above it is the City Attorney's recommendation that the Department's enforcement posture relative to shopping carts be consistently applied throughout the City against violators, regardless of their housing status. Furthermore, the City Attorney's Office recommends that the Department treat these types of offense in the same manner it does other "minor" wobblettes, at least for the first and/or second such offense.

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OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

NOTICE
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February 20, 2020

TO: All Office of Operations Personnel

FROM: Director, Office of Operations

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT ROLE IN CITY-LED INITIATIVE TO ELIMINATE HOMELESSNESS – REMINDER; BIASED POLICING POLICY – REMINDER

The purpose of this Notice is to remind personnel about the Department's role in addressing homelessness. As the state of homelessness is not a crime in itself, the Department does not have the means to be the point agency in addressing this humanitarian crisis. Rather, the Department is committed to supporting the City-led initiative to eliminate homelessness and fully embraces the "Services-Led" approach to contacting persons who are experiencing homelessness.

As such, officers should view enforcement actions for quality-of-life offenses associated with homelessness as a last resort. Instead, officers should obtain voluntary compliance to cease the public offense or work in partnership with outside entities to assist homeless individuals with housing placement. Commanding officers shall ensure this approach, and the Department's role in the City's overall effort, is reflected in their command's approach to quality of life offenses by those experiencing homelessness.

Additionally, all personnel are reminded that the Department strictly prohibits biased policing. As revised by Administrative Order No. 19, *Definitions of Terms Used in the Department Manual – Revised; and, Policy Prohibiting Biased Policing – Revised*, dated November 8, 2019, biased policing includes policing based on a person's homeless circumstance. Therefore, officers shall not use homeless circumstance as a basis for conducting any law enforcement activity, including stops and detentions.

Commanding officers shall ensure no enforcement activity, including "mission sheet" guidance, is directed contrary to the Department's biased policing policy and approach towards homelessness. Commanding officers shall further ensure that watch commanders read this Notice at all roll calls for five (5) consecutive days.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Evaluation and Administration Section, Office of Operations, at (213) 486-6050.

ROBERT N. ARCOS, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS **NOVEMBER 5, 2019**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 19 November 8, 2019

SUBJECT: **DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN THE DEPARTMENT MANUAL – REVISED; AND, POLICY PROHIBITING BIASED POLICING – REVISED**

BACKGROUND: The Constitution of the United States guarantees equal protection to all individuals within its borders. The Department's mandate to provide Constitutional Policing to all residents of the City regardless of their demographic characteristics was first outlined in Special Order No. 40, *Undocumented Aliens*, dated November 27, 1979. Furthermore, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 specifically states: "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity [of any agency] receiving Federal financial assistance."

PURPOSE: On March 21, 2017, the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles issued Executive Directive No. 20, *Standing with Immigrants: A City of Safety, Refuge, and Opportunity for All*, to reaffirm the City of Los Angeles' commitment to remain a sanctuary for all persons, regardless of their circumstances. The purpose of this Order is to reiterate the Department's commitment to providing unbiased Constitutional Policing; and, to revise policy prohibiting biased policing based upon immigration or employment status, language fluency, and homeless circumstance.

PROCEDURE:

I. **DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN THE DEPARTMENT MANUAL – REVISED.** Department Manual Section 0/030, *Definitions of Terms Used in the Department Manual*, has been revised and attached, with the revisions indicated in italics.

II. **POLICY PROHIBITING BIASED POLICING – REVISED.** Department Manual Section 1/345, *Policy Prohibiting Biased Policing*, has been revised and attached, with the revisions indicated in italics.

AMENDMENTS: This Order amends Sections 0/030 and 1/345 of the Department Manual.

AUDIT RESPONSIBILITY: The Commanding Officer, Audit Division, shall review this directive and determine whether an audit or inspection shall be conducted in accordance with Department Manual Section 0/080.30.

MICHEL R. MOORE
Chief of Police

Attachments

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345. POLICY PROHIBITING BIASED POLICING. Discriminatory conduct on the basis of *an individual's actual or perceived* race, religion, color, ethnicity, national origin, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, disability, *immigration or employment status, English language fluency or homeless circumstance*, is prohibited *while performing any law enforcement activity.* All law enforcement contacts and activities, including, but not limited to, calls for service, investigations, police-initiated stops or detentions, and activities following stops or detentions, shall be unbiased and based on legitimate, articulable facts, consistent with the standards of reasonable suspicion or probable cause as required by federal and state laws. *Officers shall not initiate police action where the objective is to discover the civil immigration status of any person and shall strictly adhere to the Department's immigration enforcement guidelines as outlined in Department Manual Sections 4/264.50 and 4/264.55.*

Department personnel may not use race, religion, color, ethnicity, national origin, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, disability (to any extent or degree), *immigration or employment status, English language fluency or homeless circumstance as a basis for* conducting any law enforcement activity, including stops and detentions, except when engaging in the investigation of appropriate suspect-specific activity to identify a particular person or group. Department personnel seeking one or more specific persons who have been identified or described in part by their race, religion, color, ethnicity, national origin, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, disability *(to any extent or degree), immigration or employment status, English language fluency or homeless circumstance*; may rely, in part, on the specified identifier or description only in combination with other appropriate identifying factors; and may not *grant* the specified identifier or description undue weight.

*A f*ailure to comply with this policy is counterproductive to professional law enforcement and is considered serious misconduct. Any employee who becomes aware of biased policing or any other violation of this policy shall report it in accordance with established *Department* procedures.

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Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 85.02. Regulating the Use of Vehicles for Dwelling.

A. No Person shall use a Vehicle for Dwelling as follows:
   1. Between the hours of 2100 and 0600 on any Street zoned for residential use; or
   2. At any time within a one Block radius of any edge of property constituting a park or a licensed school, pre-school or daycare facility.

B. Definitions:
   1. **Block** is defined as 500 feet.
   2. **Dwelling** means more than one of the following activities **and** when it reasonably appears, in light of all the circumstances, that a person is using a vehicle as a place of residence or accommodation:
      a. Possessing items inside or on a vehicle that are not associated with ordinary vehicle use, such as:
         - Sleeping bag, bedroll, blanket, sheet, or pillow;
         - Kitchen utensils, cookware, cooking equipment; and/or
         - Bodily fluids;
      b. Obscuring some or all of the vehicle's windows;

c. Preparing or cooking meals inside or on a vehicle; and/or
d. Sleeping inside of a vehicle.

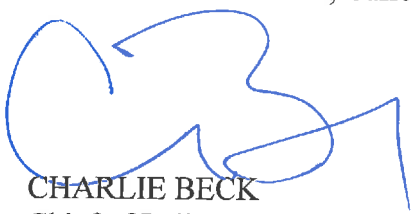
3. **Residential Street** means any street which adjoins one or more single family or multi-family residentially zoned parcel.
4. **Vehicle** means any motor vehicle, trailer, house car or trailer coach as defined by the California Vehicle Code.

Note: LAMC Section 85.02 does not prevent the Department from enforcing laws prohibiting overnight parking on City streets, nor does it allow any person to park on a City street in violation of any other City law or California Vehicle Code Section.

Effective February 6, 2017, Department personnel may issue a Non-Traffic Notice to Appear, Form 05.02.02, for violations of LAMC Section 85.02 if the above requirements are met. Officers shall cite to either **85.02 A(1) LAMC – Using a Vehicle for Dwelling (Residential Street)** for vehicle dwelling between the hours of 2100 hours and 0600 hours on any Residential Street or **85.02 A(2) LAMC – Using a Vehicle for Dwelling (Park, School, Pre-School, or Daycare [whichever is applicable])** for vehicle dwelling at any time within a one Block radius of a park or a licensed school, pre-school or daycare facility. Violations of LAMC Section 85.02 shall only be cited as an **infraction**. Department personnel shall ensure that all activities which led the officer to reasonably believe that a person was using a vehicle for dwelling in a prohibited location are documented in the space provided on the narrative of the Non-Traffic Notice to Appear.

Department personnel may assist in disseminating information to persons about where they can use their vehicle for dwelling. The City has developed maps showing where vehicle dwelling is allowed (subject to existing parking restrictions) in each of the Department's geographic Areas. The maps are available on the City's website, in libraries and community police stations and may be handed out by Department personnel (https://www.lacity.org/vehicledwelling). ***Maps are to be used to assist officers and the public in identifying where vehicle dwelling is or is not allowed. The conduct of vehicle dwelling – not merely otherwise lawful parking – is regulated by Section 85.02.***

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Evaluation and Administration Section, Office of Operations at (213) 486-6960.



CHARLIE BECK
Chief of Police

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE
11.2

October 2, 2017

TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: MOTEL VOUCHER PILOT PROGRAM

The Los Angeles Homeless Service Agency (LAHSA) has developed a Motel Voucher Program to provide shelter for vulnerable persons experiencing homelessness. This voluntary program will provide officers with an opportunity to connect a homeless individual with a motel to stay for one night. The next morning, LAHSA outreach workers will coordinate with Homeless Outreach Proactive Engagement (HOPE) officers to meet with the homeless individual at the motel regarding "next step" services and shelter placement.

This is a pilot program so the initial implementation will be limited. Currently, only one motel is participating in the program; however, it is anticipated that additional motels will join the program if the pilot program is successful. The motel vouchers will only be available for a one night stay, **Sunday to Wednesday, between the hours of 1800 to 0600.** The address and contact information for the motel is:

The Dynasty Inn
17414 South Western Avenue
Gardena, CA 90248
Phone: (310) 715-6888 Manager: Sam Patel

Qualification Criteria:

To qualify for the Motel Voucher Program, the homeless individual(s) must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Family with infants and/or minor children (maximum of two parents and five children, or one parent and six children);
- Domestic violence victims (motel voucher can only be used if the motel is at least 20 miles from where the domestic violence occurred);
- Elderly (70 years of age or older);
- People with physical disabilities; or,
- Transition age youth (18 to 20 years old).

Note: Motel vouchers can only be used if emergency housing placement is not available at a transition age youth shelter.

Officers must be able to verify the identity of the homeless individual using Department resources. The individual must also have a current or expired U.S., state, or other picture identification (e.g. passport), to provide to the motel during check-in.

Procedure:

Officers wishing to obtain a motel voucher shall:

- Confirm that the individual meets one of the above qualification criteria and is willing to be transported to the motel between the hours of 1800 to 0600, Sunday through Wednesday;
- Call Real-Time Analysis and Critical Response (RACR) Division at (213) 484-6700. Real-Time Analysis and Critical Response Division will complete the LAHSA Motel Voucher Card (a sample copy is attached to this Notice) and contact the motel to verify that a room is available; and,
- Transport the individual(s) to the motel.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Commander Todd Chamberlain, Operations-Central Bureau, at (213) 833-3735.

CHARLIE BECK
Chief of Police

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Attachment

LOCATION and DEMOGRAPHICS		
Date:	Time:	
LAPD Area/Division:		
Officer(s):		
Location:		
# of People at Location:		
Client Name/Alias:		
Client Contact #/Email:		

EMERGENCY HOUSING CHECKLIST

- ☐ **Family (with infants/minor children)**
- ☐ **Domestic Violence (DV) Victims**
- ☐ **Elderly (70 years of age or older)**
- ☐ **People with Physical Disabilities**
- ☐ **Transition Age Youth [(TAY) 18-20 years old]**

Race:	DOB or Age:	
Gender	M	F
Pets or Service Animal	Y	N
Wants Shelter Placement	Y	N

SERVICES and REFERRALS		
Emergency Services (Food/Clothing/Water)	Y	N
Hygiene Kits	Y	N
ID Voucher	Y	N
Substance Abuse Treatment Referral	Y	N
Medical Care Referral	Y	N
Mental Health/Department of Mental Health(DMH) Referral	Y	N
Benefits Assistance	Y	N
Transportation/Bus Tokens	Y	N
Coordinated Entry System (CES) Enrollment	Y	N
Shelter Placement	Y	N
Other Housing Placement	Y	N
DV Services Referral	Y	N
Veteran Services	Y	N
Transition Age Youth Services	Y	N

LAPD Motel Voucher Procedure for Homeless Clients

Contact Real-time Analysis and Critical Response (RACR) Division for Motel Vouchers	
Motel Voucher Availability	Sunday to Wednesday 6:00PM to 6:00AM (In an emergency, LAHSA can be contacted after hours and may allow exigent shelter placement).
	RACR will contact the Los Angeles Homeless Service Agency (LAHSA) motel vendors for room availability.

LAPD determines whether to place clients on a motel voucher based on the following criteria:	
Eligibility for Vouchers	Los Angeles Police Department and RACR will prioritize which clients will be placed on a motel voucher based on the EMERGENCY HOUSING CHECKLIST.
Note:	Voucher must be for a motel located a minimum of 20 miles away from the DV incident location.

Voucher Issuance Criteria	U.S., state, or other picture ID, including passport. Personal belongings limited to 2 bags only.
Note:	Transition Age Youth-aged single client must be referred to a youth facility for emergency housing placement first. If no availability, a motel voucher may be issued.

Motel Vouchers Available	A total of 10 motel vouchers will be available during the pilot program.

Client Follow up by LAPD	After a client is placed in a motel, the LAPD Homeless Outreach Proactive Engagement (HOPE) Team Officers will be the first contact for the client the next morning after being placed in the motel.

Client Engagement by Emergency Response Team (ERT)	Los Angeles Police Department HOPE Team Officers determine if it is safe for the LAHSA Emergency Response Team (ERT) teams to engage and provide "next step" services and shelter placement.

Voucher Issuance	Los Angeles Police Department HOPE Team Officers designate specific LAPD Officers who can authorize the motel voucher (RACR).

ERT Primary Contact	Los Angeles Homeless Service Agency ERT Supervisors for each HOPE Project Area are the primary contact for the "next day" contact with clients. (Clients placed during the weekend will be contacted by ERT the following Monday once LAPD HOPE Officers ensure it is safe to do so).

Forms:	Los Angeles Homeless Service Agency ERT Motel Voucher Agreement
	2016-17 Homeless Shelter Directory (HSD)/ERT Motels and Hotel Vendors

Notes:

OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

NOTICE
11.3

December 21,

TO: All Office of Operations Personnel

FROM: Director, Office of Operations

SUBJECT: OFFICERS EXPECTATIONS WHEN RESPONDING TO CARE OR CARE+ OPERATIONS

Purpose:

The purpose of this Notice is to establish procedures and provide guidance to Department personnel responding to Los Angeles Public Works Department, Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) and Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Comprehensive Cleaning and Rapid Engagement (CARE) and CARE Plus (CARE+) operations.

Comprehensive Cleaning and Rapid Engagement operations are the City's approach to enhance public health services to communities impacted by homeless encampments and illegal dumping. This was accomplished by expanding LASAN teams working alongside LAHSA outreach teams. These teams together are called CARE(+) teams. These teams have been trained in radio procedures and have been assigned LAPD radios, which are operated by LASAN employees. The LASAN employees have been trained in the Department's additional unit, back-up, and help requests. When CARE(+) teams request an LAPD unit for an emergency situation, these calls for service will be simultaneously broadcast by LAPD Radio Telephone Operators (RTOs) to all available police units in the corresponding Areas in which patrol officers shall respond.

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) remains committed to improving the quality of life of individuals experiencing homelessness, while keeping the City safe, clean, and accessible to all. The Department's goal is to ensure the safety of the CARE(+) teams members, people experiencing homelessness, and the community.

Procedure:

When officers respond to an additional unit, back-up, or help calls requested by CARE(+) units, their primary role is the stabilization of the incident. After stabilization, officers will meet with the LASAN employee or LAHSA outreach employee who made the request to be briefed on the reason for the request.

Generally, an additional unit request is a refusal of a citizen to comply with a request by an LASAN employee. The LAPD's role is to gain voluntary compliance for that individual(s) to exit the clean-up area. Should a citation or arrest be required, the officer may contact the Unified Homelessness Response Center for guidance. If officers observe a crime, or are involved in a use of force, it is the Department's expectation that those officers complete all appropriate reports and booking of any arrestee.

Note: Area or specialized unit supervision will maintain primary investigative responsibility for any risk management activity engaged in by officers assigned under their supervision.

Additional Resources:

Unified Homelessness Response (UHRC)
UHRC@LACITY.ORG
UHRC@LAPD.ONLINE
(213) 484-4855

Outreach Hotline
211

Los Angeles Public Works Department, Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN)
Complaint number
311

Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)
www.LAHSA.org
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(213)225-6581

Please refer further questions to Lieutenant II Yasir A. Gillani, Office of Operations, Unified Homelessness Response Center, at (213) 484-4855.

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Director, Office of Operations

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

SPECIAL ORDER NO. 13 June 22, 2016

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS ON JUNE 21, 2016

SUBJECT: POLICY REGARDING POLICE CONTACTS WITH PERSONS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS - ESTABLISHED

PURPOSE: This Order establishes a policy to ensure that Department personnel are familiar with and recognize the special needs of people experiencing homelessness in the City of Los Angeles. Those experiencing homelessness are among the most vulnerable in society, and contacts by Department personnel often require special consideration and coordinated assistance from multiple government agencies. When called upon to contact an individual experiencing homelessness who was a victim of a crime, witness to a crime, or is suspected of committing a crime, Department personnel must maintain the highest standards of professionalism and take into account the unique circumstances and challenges that homelessness causes for individuals and families.

DEFINITION: For purposes of this Order, the terms "homelessness," "homeless individual," and "homeless person" shall refer to the following:

- An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence;
- An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground);
- An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including hotels and motels paid for by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals or by charitable organizations, congregate shelters, and transitional housing); or,
- An individual who resided in a shelter or place not meant for human habitation and who is exiting an institution where he or she temporarily resided.

POLICY: It is the policy of the Department to protect the rights of all individuals in the City of Los Angeles, regardless of their housing status and assist those in need while fairly enforcing the law. Individuals experiencing homelessness often have unique circumstances which require special consideration when they are a victim of a crime, witness to a crime, or suspected of violating the law. In addition, when homeless individuals come into consensual contact with Department personnel unrelated to a criminal investigation or enforcement activity, they may require special assistance to address their immediate needs. Accordingly, when appropriate under the circumstances, Department personnel should assist individuals experiencing homelessness by offering guidance and information to obtain temporary housing, medical or psychological services if needed, or other available services. Department personnel, however, shall steadfastly respect the individual's right to refuse assistance.

Housing Status
An individual's housing status is not a sufficient basis to justify a lawful detention or arrest. All detentions and arrests must be based on applicable local, state, and federal laws. In addition, Department personnel are prohibited from involuntarily moving a homeless individual from a location where the person may lawfully stay, absent legal justification to do such as when there is a safety or security concern.

Special Considerations
Department personnel requesting identification from a person who is or appears to be experiencing homelessness should be sensitive to the special needs and circumstances of each individual situation, including circumstances when individuals may not have proper identification or other official documents in their possession. Department personnel are also reminded that requests for identification from a person who is or appears to be experiencing homelessness may sometimes be perceived by that individual to be harassing, intimidating, or threatening. In addition, some individuals experiencing homelessness may be suffering from mental illness or other medical conditions that can limit their ability to communicate effectively with Department personnel. As such, Department personnel should take special consideration of the circumstances and always be guided by compassion and empathy in all of their interactions.

AMENDMENT: This Order adds Volume I, Section 240.07, to the Department Manual.

AUDIT RESPONSIBILITY: The Commanding Officer, Audit Division, shall review this directive and determine whether an audit or inspection shall be conducted in accordance with Department Manual Section 0/080.30.

CHARLIE BECK
Chief of Police

DISTRIBUTION "A"

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE
1.11

October 22, 2018

TO: All Sworn Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: RESTRICTED ENFORCEMENT OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 41.18(a) & (d); SUSPENSION OF ENFORCEMENT OF SECTIONS 41.18(b) & (c)

The purpose of this Notice is to provide instructions to Department personnel regarding the enforcement of Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.18 in light of a recently issued federal appellate court decision.

Judicial Decision
On September 4, 2018, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals held that a Boise, Idaho ordinance, with similarities to provisions of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 41.18, was unconstitutional. Although the City of Boise has filed a petition for the court to reconsider its ruling, the published opinion remains in effect and its holding may impact the City's ability to enforce certain provisions of LAMC Section 41.18.

Accordingly, effective immediately and until further notice:

- ***Department personnel shall suspend enforcement of LAMC Sections 41.18(b) & (c); and***

- ***Department personnel may continue to enforce LAMC Sections 41.18(a) & (d) only under the following circumstances:***

    1. When a *person or a person's property* obstructs or unreasonably interferes with the minimum clearance of a continuous three-foot wide pathway as required under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) (§41.18(a)); or

    2. When *a person* is sitting, sleeping, or lying within ten (10) feet of any operational and utilizable entrance or exit of a building, driveway, or loading dock (§41.18(d)).

Measurement of Distances for Enforcement of Section 41.18(d) Only
Department personnel are reminded that the required distances and area are measured as follows:

- **Entrance/Exit to Building**: Ten (10) feet measured perpendicularly from the outer edges of the opening, along the exterior wall of the building, and from those points to the curb line;

- **Entrance/Exit to Parking Lot**: Ten (10) feet measured perpendicularly from the outer edges of the driveway and from those points extended to the curb; and,

- **Loading Dock**: Ten (10) feet measured perpendicularly from the outer edges of the opening, whether raised or not, and from those points to the curb line.

Verbal Warning
Officers shall not issue a citation or arrest an individual for a violation of LAMC Sections 41.18(a) or (d) unless the officer has first given a verbal warning regarding the LAMC section, has allowed reasonable time for the person, or time to move his or her property if applicable, and the person fails to move, or fails to move the property, from the properly measured access way.

Documentation
Officers shall ensure that any associated arrest report specifies the facts and circumstances regarding the location of the violation, a description of the specific area of the violation, the warning provided, the reasonable amount of time given for the person to comply, and the suspect's statements and actions that constituted failure to comply with the warning. In addition, the report shall set forth the facts and circumstances regarding:

(1) The obstruction or unreasonable interference by a person or person's property in violation of Section 41.18(a); or

(2) The person's actions of sleeping, sitting, or lying on a sidewalk, street, or public way in violation of Section 41.18(d).

If the violation is enforced to comply with ADA standards, officers shall specify the distances measured. If the violation involves an operational entrance, exit, driveway, or loading dock, this information shall also be included in the report.

Body Worn Video
Department personnel are also reminded that body worn video cameras must be activated prior to the initiation of any investigative or enforcement activity with a member of the public. Accordingly, officers shall record the contact, warning, and enforcement of these provisions.

Applicable to All Personnel in All Areas of the City
This Notice and its instructions apply to all Department personnel and enforcement of Section 41.18 anywhere in the City of Los Angeles.

If you have any questions, please contact the Evaluation and Administration Section, Office of Operations, at (213) 486-6050.

MICHEL R. MOORE
Chief of Police

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DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC COORDINATOR
TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU

N O T I C E
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October 14, 2020

TO: All Geographic Areas

FROM: Department Traffic Coordinator, Transit Services Bureau

SUBJECT: TRANSITION PLAN TO RESUME PARKING ENFORCEMENT

BACKGROUND

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation is responsible for the management and coordination of parking related issues in the City of Los Angeles. Although parking enforcement is not a primary duty of the Department, street parking is regulated to ensure fair access to parking and to expedite the flow of vehicular traffic. When officers engage in parking enforcement, it shall be conducted with reasonableness and impartiality in all areas of the City.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Los Angeles City Council issued a moratorium on the enforcement of certain parking violations. However, parking enforcement continued for the following:

- All posted Temporary No-Parking signs;
- Blocking emergency access areas;
- Colored curb zones;
- Metered parking;
- Parking restrictions for City-owned lots; and,
- Time limits within preferential parking districts for vehicles without a valid or recently-expired permit.

PROCEDURE

Beginning October 15, 2020, the Los Angeles City Council has authorized a transition plan to resume parking enforcement and impoundment of vehicles for the following violations:

- Abandoned vehicles;
- Anti-gridlock zones;
- Expired Preferential Parking District permits;
- Expired registration;
- Oversize and Overnight Restrictions;
- Peak hour; and,
- Street Cleaning restrictions.

The impoundment of vehicles that are being used for dwelling purposes remains **prohibited**.

If you have any questions, contact Traffic Coordination Section, Traffic Group, at (213) 486-0690.

APPROVED:

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