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Public comment to Consent Calendar Item#3 on the February 1<sup>st</sup> City Council Agenda, a response to a County Grand Jury report concerning “Keys to Housing the Homeless in Santa Barbara County”.

I think that this item requires some public discussion by the City Council since it appears that some of the responses need explanation. For example, in the City’s response to Recommendation #1 you say that “in Santa Maria at a Motel 6 where 75 rooms will be converted to residential units”; things have changed, and the Board of Supervisors has denied funding for the project.

In response to Recommendation #2 concerning “all city councils within the County to develop a roster of hotels and motels willing to participate in a Roomkey-type program” the City responds with it “Has been implemented. Lompoc Community Development Division staff have attended HOME ARP collaborative meetings where a site inventory was collected and where Lompoc provided available sites.”

In the interest of transparency shouldn’t the public be aware of where these sites are located so the neighbors can have an opportunity to contact you with their concerns?

Lastly, in response to Recommendation #3 concerning “identify possible Homekey sites including government owned properties in each jurisdiction” the City says “it has been implemented through a Community Action Plan in 2021”.

To quote CAP 2021: “The program will assist with the safe opening of Lompoc facilities and programs. The program will allow for public accessed capital and program improvements to facilities such as City Hall, Anderson Recreation Center, the Dick DeWees Community Senior Center, and programs for human services. Improvements are identified as, but not limited to, the removal of structures to allow for distancing, installation of “no touch” fixtures and devices for information, sneeze and cough guards, sanitization stations and purchase of computer software for safe business practices to deter the contraction of the Coronavirus.”

The action item was to provide a list of potential Homekey sites in public buildings, the CAP 2021 plan has nothing to do with housing the homeless or identifying potential Homekey sites.

There are a number of statements in this response that raise questions; most are because the response doesn’t address what the City of Lompoc is doing to house the homeless other than have meetings.

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