

Resolution No. 16-4900

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD URGING THE LOS
ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
APPROVE A SALES TAX MEASURE TO FUND
HOMELESS SERVICES

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DOES
HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the Homeless Initiative's Strategies to Combat Homelessness, a landmark plan to attack the root causes of homelessness and lift thousands of families and individuals out of homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the plan comes at a time when the homeless crisis in Los Angeles County has been worsening and demanding an urgent, coordinated response from the state, county, cities and community partners; and

WHEREAS, the County approved an initial \$100 million to begin implementation of the strategies in the homeless initiatives report and anticipates that an additional \$450 million in ongoing funding is needed to address the current gap in homeless housing and services; and

WHEREAS, at the Board of Supervisors meeting on December 6, 2016 meeting, Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas will introduce a motion to put forth a quarter-cent sales tax measure on the March 2017 ballot to fund services for the homeless; and

WHEREAS, this approach would provide approximately \$355 million per year to address homelessness in Los Angeles County through supportive services to help people remain stable and housed; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Hollywood has shown a steadfast commitment to the provision of comprehensive assistance to the homeless community members since its incorporation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed sales tax measure reiterates the City's commitment to providing necessary services to our community members and participating in regional efforts to combat homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of West Hollywood hereby urges the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to approve a Countywide sales tax measure to fund homeless services.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 5th day of December, 2016 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	D'Amico, Duran, Horvath, Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, and Mayor Meister.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.



LAUREN MEISTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK