

MVCC Zone 2 Report

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Finally, an ongoing effort has been underway to remove encampments from blocking public access to sidewalks etc. However, they do seem to return rather quickly, and then they need to be cleaned up again and again, and as long as it takes to address the problem.

Our new District 11 Los Angeles City Councilmember, Traci Park is making the needed effort.

Our former Councilmember, Mike Bonin, was a complete disaster! What a waist of several years.

Let's hope we can make up for lost time.

Here is something encouraging that may prove to be helpful in addressing concerns of Los Angeles neighborhood stakeholders.

[LA City Attorney Launches Community Law Corps to Address Neighborhood Quality of Life](#)

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LOS ANGELES - L.A. City Attorney Hydee Feldstein Soto announced Tuesday a new legal division within her office dedicated to improving the quality of life in neighborhoods across the city.

The Community Law Corps will serve as the first point of contact for community stakeholders to the City Attorney's Office. The corps will aim to make it easier for

City Council offices, city departments, government agencies and law enforcement agencies to identify and resolve challenging legal issues that L.A. neighborhoods may face, such as blighted properties and chronic nuisance activity.

According to a representative from the City Attorney's Office, the corps has been in the planning stages since Feldstein Soto took office.

"The Community Law Corps sits at the nexus of our neighborhoods, City Hall and the laws we enforce, and goes beyond the courtroom to get things done," Feldstein Soto said in a statement.

Composed of attorneys and legal professionals with experience in civil and criminal law, the corps will take preventative and proactive measures to address a variety of issues impacting neighborhoods and establish partnerships to resolve problems that enforcement cannot always adequately address, according to the City Attorney's Office.

The corps will work with community groups to identify emerging neighborhood concerns and work with City Hall to address them.

Assistant City Attorney Tamar Galatzan will supervise the corps, which will manage a variety of legal matters and include lawyers through Feldstein Soto's office. The group will redirect complaints to the appropriate unit in the City Attorney's Office or law enforcement partners.

Additionally, the corps will connect residents with city departments to address their concerns and provide contact information for local legal aid organizations and other service providers.

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Feel free to contact me with your concerns as well, and look for the September Zone 2 Crime Report – coming soon.