



LEGISLATIVE ALERT

CITY TO HOLD HEARING ON ACLU-LAPD SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT RE: STREET ENCAMPMENTS

It appears that within the next two weeks, the City Council will be holding a much-awaited second hearing on the proposed ACLU-LAPD settlement agreement regarding Los Angeles' ordinance barring sleeping, sitting or lying on public rights of way at City Hall.

The Los Angeles City Council voted in closed session in September 2006 to reject the initial proposed legal settlement agreement that would have allowed individuals to sleep and set up encampments on Skid Row's sidewalks from 9:00 pm to 6:00 am. Councilmember Jan Perry and CCA led the charge against the agreement, which would have set an unconscionable precedent that would further devastate the grim landscape of Skid Row.

Although details of the proposed settlement agreement are not yet public, to our knowledge, there are no changes in the boundaries or hours of enforcement. There is some talk of vacating the 9th Circuit decision, but it is unclear if that is possible without the Court's express permission.

This is an important issue for CCA and the thousands of residents, property owners and businesses in the region. We need your support at this hearing.

PLEASE WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR FINAL CONFIRMATION OF HEARING DATE AND TIME

If you have any questions or would like more information on this issue, please contact Veronica Perez at (213) 624-1213, ext. 217.