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The Honorable Lyn Semeta, Mayor and Members of the City Council
CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Re: City Council Consent Calendar for 7-20-2020, Item 20-1761
Proposed 40+ Bed Temporary Emergency Shelter at 17371 Gothard Street

Dear Mayor Semeta and City Councilmembers:

The Ocean View School District requests that the City Council not direct the City Manager to prepare a proposal on establishing a temporary homeless shelter at the City's Public Work Yard located at 17271 Gothard Street. The proposed location of the emergency shelter is in close proximity to the Ocean View High School and Huntington Beach Central Park, which are also located along Gothard Street. Both of these uses draw children to the area that may conflict with users of the emergency shelter. Although shelters of this type usually do not allow walk-in, the shelters do allow residents to leave to go to work and shop. That will put shelter residents on the streets to access transit and stores in the area of the shelter that may conflict with children accessing parks.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

Carol Hansen, Ed.D.
Superintendent

c: OVSD Board of Trustees

**SUPPLEMENTAL
COMMUNICATION**

Meeting Date: 7/20/20

Agenda Item No.: 23(20-1761)