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Councilmember  
District 1

CONSENT CALENDAR  
JANUARY 29, 2008

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Councilmembers Linda Maio and Laurie Capitelli

**SUBJECT:** Enforcement Of Lying In Public Spaces And Implementation Policy

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Refer to City Manager the request that staff review and suggest implementation of a policy that would require no (or low) enforcement of (647j) at night if no shelter beds are available, and if available enforcement would involve offering a shelter bed and would include transportation to the bed funded via taxi scrip for those homeless individuals who opt for a bed.

**BACKGROUND:**

Council recently enacted enforcement of 647j, lying in public spaces and had considerable discussion regarding the fate of homeless individuals who were roused at night but had no place to go. The above policy direction came from concern about these persons and in some discussion with staff. This item requests that staff review the proposed policy direction and develop an implementation plan for consideration by the City Council. It is expected that we have a trial period in which we learn from our experience regarding level of staff time and demand for beds, and taxi scrip required.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Some staff time and earmarking of a certain amount of taxi scrip.

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