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Council File: 05-0173 - Support for design option 1 / Glendale-Hyperion Viaduct

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Dear Councilmembers and Mayor,

Atwater Village Chamber of Commerce (AVCC) reaffirms its resolute support for design option #1, please see attached letter.

Sincerely,

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August 13th, 2014

The Honorable Eric Garcetti, Mitch O'Farrell and Tom Labonge
City Hall, City of Los Angeles

RE: PRESERVING 4-LANE ACCESS TO THE GLENDALE-HYPERION VIADUCT

Dear Eric, Mitch and Tom:

The Glendale-Hyperion Viaduct is an important part of Atwater's vehicular infrastructure. It gives local drivers and far-flung commuters' easy access to surrounding communities, the 5 Interstate Freeway and nearby businesses. Since its construction the bridge has primarily served to facilitate vehicular travel. Today, the Hyperion Bridge remains a key artery for drivers to travel from, to or thru Atwater Village.

The Atwater Village Chamber of Commerce (AVCC) reaffirms its resolute support for design option #1.

This option is the best design out of the three deliberated by the Citizens Advisory Committee. It is the only design that will preserve the 4 traffic lanes on Hyperion's main bridge while providing for pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

Preserving the 4 traffic lanes is of utmost importance to Atwater's small business community. Local consumers have shown time and time again that their preferred method of travel to shop in Atwater Village is by automobile. Forcing a "road diet", or a vehicular lane reduction, on the Hyperion Bride would cause unnecessary traffic congestion and delays for consumer seeking to visit Atwater Village. This would force consumers to other shopping areas as they change their driving routes to avoid the added congestion. The end result would be more traffic congestion, less road safety and a loss of income for small businesses.

On behalf of the AVCC and Atwater's business community we urge you to lend your steadfast support for design option #1.

Sincerely,

Luis Lopez
Executive Director
Atwater Village Chamber of Commerce

June 2, 2015

To: Council Members, Gil Cedillo, Curren Price & Joe Buscaino,

Friends of Atwater Village, a volunteer community group, has been involved with the Hyperion Bridge Retrofit Project since 2002. We, as local residents have attended many community meetings and through the years have given our input and voiced our concerns regarding the safety and historic restoration that would be involved in the project.

We believe the option of 4 vehicle lanes, 2 bike lanes and 1 extended sidewalk would be the most equitable choice to serve the needs of all modes of transportation. We applaud Council Members O'Farrell and La Bonge for their balanced common sense approach to this very complex bridge. We believe this is an all inclusive solution that does not elevate one groups needs over the others.

As residents of the Atwater Village community we feel that the reduction of vehicle lanes would negatively impact the flow of traffic in and out of our neighborhood. The bridge is a main thoroughfare, a truck route and also has a constant flow of vehicles exiting and entering the freeway off-ramps alongside the bridge. A road diet would only back up traffic on the already overburdened Hyperion and Rowena Avenues adding to more congested traffic through Atwater Village.

We look forward to the day when the I-5 northbound Glendale Blvd freeway offramp will be realigned, the Red Car River Park pedestrian/bicycle bridge built and our beautiful Landmark Hyperion Bridge Viaduct restored. So many have worked diligently over the years on this project and it is time to move forward or risk losing the funding that would make these improvements a reality.

Sincerely,

Netty Carr, Sandra Caravella, Luis Lopez and Ann Lawson
Friends of Atwater Village Board Members