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Council of the City of Los Angeles
Attn: Public Works Committee
City Hall
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: VAC E1401 150

Dear Sirs,

I acknowledge receipt of a "TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN" letter dated June 19, 2012 about a hearing on June 27, 2012. This is inadequate notice as a matter of law and common sense. No map or real description of the proposed action was attached. I am not sure if the neighbors up and down the street were notified of the proposed action.

This exact same street vacation was proposed less than one year ago (Council File No. 11-1179) and the City Engineer recommended on September 30, 2011 that it be "Denied".

I am the owner of the 11 acre property behind the proposed street vacation. In the past I have used Scenario Lane (the proposed street vacation) to install and maintain a Safety Debris Fence. This Debris Fence is located just east of the proposed street vacation and is used to catch any mud rocks and debris that may wash down toward the intersection of Basil Lane and Scenario Lane. I have used Scenario Lane to inspect and clean out the Debris Fence.

In the past I have used Scenario Lane to go in cut and remove the brush and weeds behind 2171, 2175, 2179, 2181 and 2185 Basil Lane. The Los Angeles Fire Dept requires this brush removal on an annual basis and the neighbors appreciate it.

If Scenario Lane is vacated and there is no new access to the property behind 2171, 2175, 2179, 2181 and 2185 Basil Lane then it will be next to impossible for me to clean out behind the Debris Fence and to cut and remove the brush and weeds behind 2171, 2175, 2179, 2181, and 2185 Basil Lane. The Fire Dept and the neighbors will not be so happy.

May I suggest that the real reason for the proposed street vacation is that the owner of 2165 Basil has recently purchased the lot at 2171 Basil and now wishes to combine the two lots into one big lot. I have no general objection to this but I need access to my property behind the proposed street vacation. If the street vacation is going to be approved then it should be expressly

conditioned upon the new owner of 2165 and 2171 Basil providing a Grant Deed to the northerly 20 feet of 2171 Basil Lane to the City of Los Angeles. Basically moving Scenario Lane north a few feet. If this is done then:

- A. 2165 and 2171 Basil Lane can be combined into one big lot.
- B. The City of Los Angeles will not have “landlocked” the property behind 2165, 2171, 2175, 2181 and 2185 Basil Lane.
- C. I can continue to cut and remove the brush and weeds on my property and maintain it in a safe condition.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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