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The Boyle Heights community is undergoing a resurgence with revitalization of the area accelerated by the Metro Rail Gold Line, construction of community assets like the LAPD Hollenbeck Station and Boyle Heights Constituent Service Center, and historic renovations of the Boyle Heights Hotel and Mariachi Plaza. This resurgence however is also fueled by an arts movement based in the neighborhood's rich history of ethnic diversity, rich culture and art.

Investing in capital improvements, commercial ventures, community events and setting up zoning and planning guidelines that encourage this arts and cultural movement is key to Boyle Height's economic and cultural future. In order to support such investment, the development of a Boyle Heights Arts District along 1st Street between Mission Road and Soto Street should be a primary civic goal for the City of Los Angeles.

I THEREFORE MOVE that a taskforce be established to work collaboratively to further important commercial development, public improvement, public art, and planning-related projects that are key to the development of the Boyle Heights Arts District. Representatives serving on that Task Force should include but not be limited to the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles, Planning Department, Cultural Affairs, Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Bureau of Street Services, Metro, Community Development Department and Council District 14.

I FURTHER MOVE that such a Boyle Heights Arts District Task Force be in place within 30 days and meet on a monthly basis to collectively move major public improvement projects forward and create plans and programs that further develop the Boyle Heights Arts District.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles be requested to identify funding for consultant services to assist in developing a blue print document with community and city department input which designates the boundaries, adopts the mission and develops the underlying organization of the Boyle Heights Arts District.

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