

CF 13-1592/La Cruz Parklet, Pacific Palisades

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To: City City Clerk and Council Clerk

Re: CF 13-1592

Dear Ms. Wolcott and Ms. Lattimore:

Please file the email communication below and the attached letter in the above-referenced Council File at your earliest convenience.

Thank you.

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PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

July 14, 2014

Dear City Officials:

We write on behalf of Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC), the most broadly based all-volunteer community organization representing all stakeholders in Pacific Palisades and the voice of the Palisades community since 1973.

PPCC recently learned about a parklet approved for La Cruz Dr. in Pacific Palisades. We have begun public discussion concerning this project and have received numerous comments from community members expressing concerns about public safety in connection with the particular location -- a high traffic area near four schools, a public park, a church and library. PPCC will be writing a more detailed letter detailing its concerns in the coming days.

In light of these concerns, we wish to bring to your attention the fact that an automobile accident occurred this weekend involving a PARKLET in downtown Los Angeles: http://laist.com/2014/07/12/drunk driver commandeered his frien.php.

While we do not suggest that all conditions that led to this accident would necessarily be present at the La Cruz location, we believe this incident is sufficient to bring our community's concerns about public safety into sharp focus and to your attention. The City in particular may wish to reconsider the advisability of proceeding on a fast track with this or other parklets in light of potentially serious liability issues presented by this incident.

We emphasize that PPCC does not object to the goals of the parklet program and believes these installations might be appropriate in many areas. We do object to the City going forward with the La Cruz parklet project without CEQA review and appropriate traffic or other public safety studies and without wider community input and support.

PPCC will be detailing its concerns in a subsequent letter in the next week or two.

Thank you.

Regards,

Chris Spitz, President Barbara Kohn, President Emeritus Pacific Palisades Community Council

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