

### Fwd: Council File 14-0163-S3 Comments

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Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 3:36 PM

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From: Amanda Staples <amanda@investinginplace.org>

Date: Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 3:32 PM

Subject: Council File 14-0163-S3 Comments

To: CityClerk@lacity.org

Please see attached for First 5 LA's comment letter on council file: 14-0163-S3.

Thank you.

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January 22, 2018

Members of the Los Angeles City Council 200 N. Spring Street, Room 435 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Via email: richard.williams@lacity.org

RE: CF # 14-0163-S3 Sidewalk Repair Program

Dear Honorable Los Angeles City Council Members,

First 5 LA appreciates the opportunity to elevate the voice of community members as we express our support of the City's Vision Zero High Injury Network in the Sidewalk Repair Program prioritization methodology.

First 5 LA is a leading early childhood advocate working collaboratively across L.A. County. We believe that the first five years of life establish the foundation for the future success of our children. One of First 5 LA's key initiatives, Best Start, focuses on building strong and supportive communities where children and families can thrive. Seven of 14 Best Start communities are located within Los Angeles City boundaries: Broadway-Manchester, East Los Angeles, Metro Los Angeles, Northeast Valley, Panorama City, Watts, and Wilmington. Each of these communities has a committed Community Partnership primarily comprised of parents and residents - more than 750 community members are involved in these Los Angeles-based partnerships.

Safe transportation, crosswalks, and sidewalks are a leading concern that several Community Partnerships have elevated because it impacts the ability of parents to travel with their children throughout the city safely. For example, parents in Broadway-Manchester identified maintenance issues on crosswalks and sidewalks at the intersections of Broadway and Manchester and Manchester and Main. Across the city, partnership members have identified that dangerous sidewalks are a barrier for many parents accessing bus stops and train stations with their young children in strollers.

This situation reinforces a startling statistic. In a 2016 report released by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, traffic-related crashes are a public health risk for families with young children – in fact, these crashes are the number one reason for childhood deaths in Los Angeles County, and the third most prevalent cause of death for children between ages of one and four.

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Prioritizing the Vision Zero High Injury Network in the Sidewalk Repair Program would provide a safer walking environment for children and their families in communities with the widest health outcome disparities. We respectfully urge you to consider the Best Start members' voices and experiences as you deliberate on the Sidewalk Repair Program.

We appreciate you making this a priority in your considerations.

Sincerely,

Kim Belshé

**Executive Director** 

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CC:

Honorable Councilmember Gil Cedillo, City Council District 1

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# Fwd: comment for Council File: 14-0163-S3

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Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 7:52 AM

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From: Dayana Molina <Dayana.Molina@tpl.org>

Date: Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 4:59 PM

Subject: comment for Council File: 14-0163-S3 To: "CityClerk@lacity.org" <CityClerk@lacity.org>

Dear Honorable Council President Herb J. Wesson, Jr. and City Council Members:

RE: 14-0163-S3 Sidewalks Prioritization Program

I am submitting this comment on behalf of the Trust for Public Land to urge Los Angeles City Council to retain the Vision Zero High Injury Network (HIN) in the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) proposed Sidewalk Repair Program (SRP) prioritization methodology.

The Trust for Public Land works to protect the places people care about and to create close-to-home parks—particularly in cities like Los Angeles. A big part of the work we do is collaborating with communities to plan, design, and create parks, playgrounds, gardens, and trails; we work with communities to ensure that development happens for them, and not to them. Studies show that parks are essential to community health, which is why we're working to ensure there's a great park within a 10-minute walk of every person, in every neighborhood, in every city across America including Los Angeles. Through our work we recognized that

the need for safe street design and safe sidewalks infrastructure are interrelated and impact each other in all communities.

The Trust for Public Land strongly urges the Los Angeles City Council to retain the Vision Zero High Injury Network (HIN) in the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) proposed Sidewalk Repair Program (SRP) prioritization methodology. The HIN represents the only prioritization criteria in the BOE-proposed SRP to include City interdepartmental coordination, social equity, and a tool to potentially accelerate and scale-up this program. This criteria well help identify those areas with severe safety improvements needs in our most vulnerable communities.

Thank you for your time.
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Best,

Dayana



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From: Nion Francois <francois.nion@jcdecaux.com>

Date: Mon, Jan 22, 2018 at 5:04 PM Subject: Council File 14-0163-S3

To: "cityclerk@lacity.org" <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Dear Councilmembers,

With regards to Council File 14-0163-S3, We think it is important to retain the Vision Zero High Injury Network (HIN) in the proposed Sidewalk Repair Program (SRP) prioritization methodology.

Working in all neighborhoods throughout LA, we find that enhancing the sidewalk at the bus stop zones within the HIN can only improve safety, and make it more equitable and livable for transit riders and pedestrians alike.

Sincerely yours,

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**Co-Managing Director** 

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From: michael macdonald <michael.s.macdonald@gmail.com>

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#### Dear madams/sirs,

I would like to submit a comment letter to Council File 14-0163-S3. I think it is critical that the City's sidewalk repair funds be prioritized for the locations where they will have the biggest impact on pedestrian safety. Please retain the Vision Zero High Injury Network (HIN) in the proposed Sidewalk Repair Program prioritization methodology. The HIN represents the only prioritization criterion in the proposed program to include City interdepartmental coordination, social equity, and a tool to potentially accelerate and scale-up this program.

Sincerely, Michael MacDonald 4116 Scandia Way