


**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

**Date:** October 10, 2017

**To:** The Honorable City Council  
c/o City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall  
Attention: Honorable Mike Bonin, Chair, Transportation Committee

**From:** Seleta J. Reynolds,  General Manager  
Department of Transportation

**Subject:** **MODIFICATIONS TO THE SAFE STREETS FOR PLAYA DEL REY TRAFFIC SAFETY INITIATIVE  
(Council File 15-0719-S18, DCP CASE NUMBER ENV-2016-1099-SE)**

On October 25th, 2017, the Transportation Committee is scheduled to act on two appeals of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation's (LADOT) determination that the Safe Streets for Playa Del Rey Traffic Safety Initiative (the Playa del Rey Project) is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This letter memorializes the recent approved changes to the Safe Streets for Playa Del Rey Traffic Safety Initiative (Modified Project), as recommended by the Community Task Force and Councilmember Mike Bonin, and revises the staff recommendations.

The Playa del Rey project installed bicycle lanes along 0.9 miles of length of Culver Boulevard, between Pacific Avenue and Jefferson Boulevard, and 0.6 miles of Jefferson Boulevard, between Culver Boulevard and Lincoln Boulevard. Those features were part of the Playa del Rey project when staff prepared the report submitted on September 11, 2017.

Portions of the Playa del Rey project that LADOT proposes to modify include restoring one additional westbound travel lane along Culver Boulevard, between Nicholson Street and Jefferson Boulevard, and restoring one additional travel lane in each direction along Jefferson Boulevard, between Culver Boulevard and Lincoln Boulevard. LADOT would remove the bicycle lanes along these segments and install a single protected shoulder on one side of the street.

LADOT will submit a supplemental report prior to the October 25th meeting that evaluates the changes and further amends the staff report submitted on September 11, 2017. Pursuant to the Modified Project, staff makes the following recommendations:

- 1) DENY the CEQA Section 21151 (c) appeals;
- 2) DETERMINE that the Safe Streets for Playa del Rey Traffic Safety Initiative and the 2017 Vista Del Mar Actions as well as the Modified Project (collectively, the Modified Projects) are both statutorily and categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) after considering the notice of exemption on file, and the response included in this report;

- 3) ADOPT AND CONCUR in the approvals of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation as to the Modified Projects, as set forth in the supplemental staff report; and
- 4) DIRECT Department staff to file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles City Clerk and the Los Angeles County Clerk.

SJR/ds

c: Timothy McWilliams, Office of the City Attorney