

Citywide Illegal Fencing / Code Enforcement Division / Public Right-of-Way
Violations

THIS MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WESSON IS GOOD BUT THE SHOULD BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE ALL STRUCTURES THAT COMPROMISE THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE HUNDREDS OF UNPERMITTED PLANTER BOXES AND OTHER ILLEGAL STRUCTURES INSTALLED AROUND THE CITY, FROM VENICE TO HOLLYWOOD TO SKID ROW.

IT SHOULD BE CLEAR TO ALL CITY EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING LAPD, LAHSA, LASAN, AND COUNCIL DISTRICT AIDES AND DEPUTIES, THAT THEY SHOULDN'T ASSISTING PRIVATE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES IN THE INSTALLATION OF UNPERMITTED STRUCTURES.

ATTACHED ARE JUST HANDFUL OF EXAMPLES OF THESE UNPERMITTED STRUCTURES THAT ARE CONTINUING TO BE INSTALLED AROUND THE CITY. UNDER THE GUISE OF "BEAUTIFICATION," THE CLEAR AND STATED INTENT OF THESE STRUCTURES ARE TO FURTHER LIMIT WHERE UNHOUSED RESIDENTS ARE ABLE TO SLEEP, WHICH IN MY LIMITED KNOWLEDGE I THINK VIOLATES SEVERAL MUNICIPAL CODES AND A RECENT DECISION BY THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT IN THE CASE OF MARTIN v. CITY OF BOISE

FURTHER, THE LOS ANGELES CITY ATTORNEY HAS ADMITTED THAT THESE STRUCTURES ARE ILLEGAL BUT THAT THEY JUST AREN'T ENFORCING IT.

THANK YOU.

ADAM SMITH

ORGANIZER. WHITE PEOPLE 4 BLACK LIVES
MEMBER, SERVICES NOT SWEEPS COALITION

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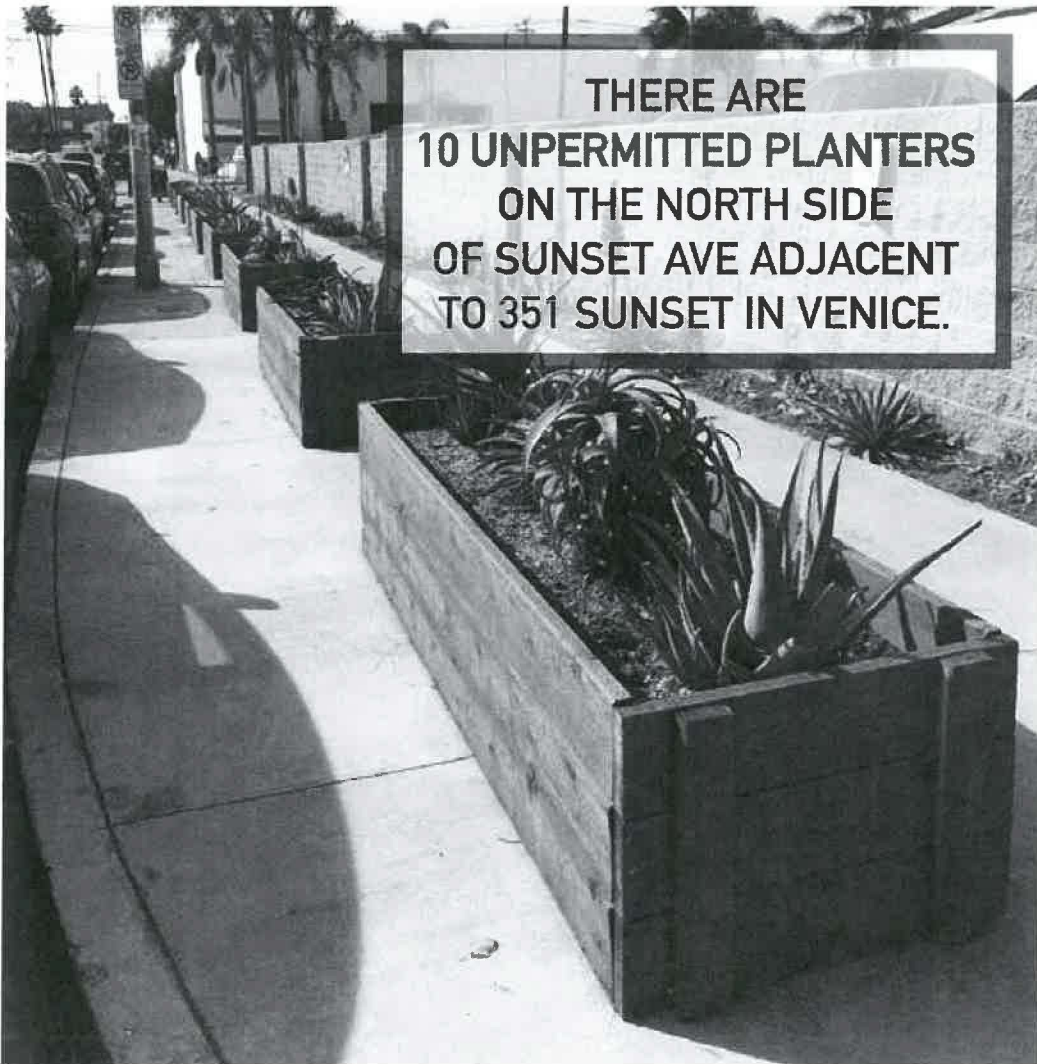
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**THERE ARE
6 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
ON THE NORTH SIDE
OF HARDING AVENUE AT THE CORNER OF LINCOLN IN
VENICE. THESE PLANTERS WERE INSTALLED
NOVEMBER 6TH 2018 WHILE LAPD AND LAHSA EMPLOYEES
LOOKED ON, DIRECTLY FOLLOWING AN ENCAMPMENT
SWEEP THAT HAPPENED 24 HOURS EARLY, COORDINATED BY
BONIN AIDE TAYLOR BAZLEY, LAPD CAPTAIN JAMES SETZER,
AND HOUSED VENICE RESIDENTS. (see attached documents)**



THERE ARE
18 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
ON THE WEST SIDE OF 4TH AVE
BETWEEN SUNSET AND VERNON IN
VENICE.

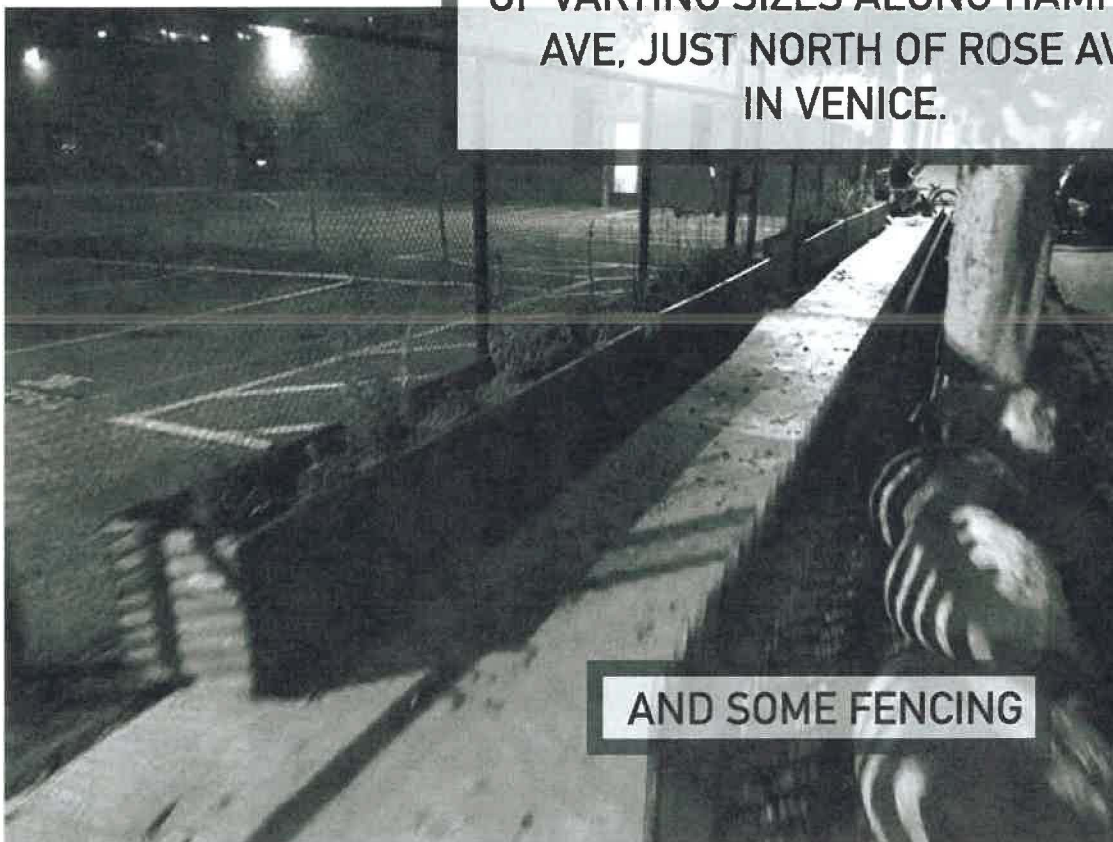


THERE ARE
10 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
ON THE NORTH SIDE
OF SUNSET AVE ADJACENT
TO 351 SUNSET IN VENICE.

Date: 5-15-19
Submitted in PWCR Committee
Council File No: 19-0311
Item No.: 2
Deputy: public



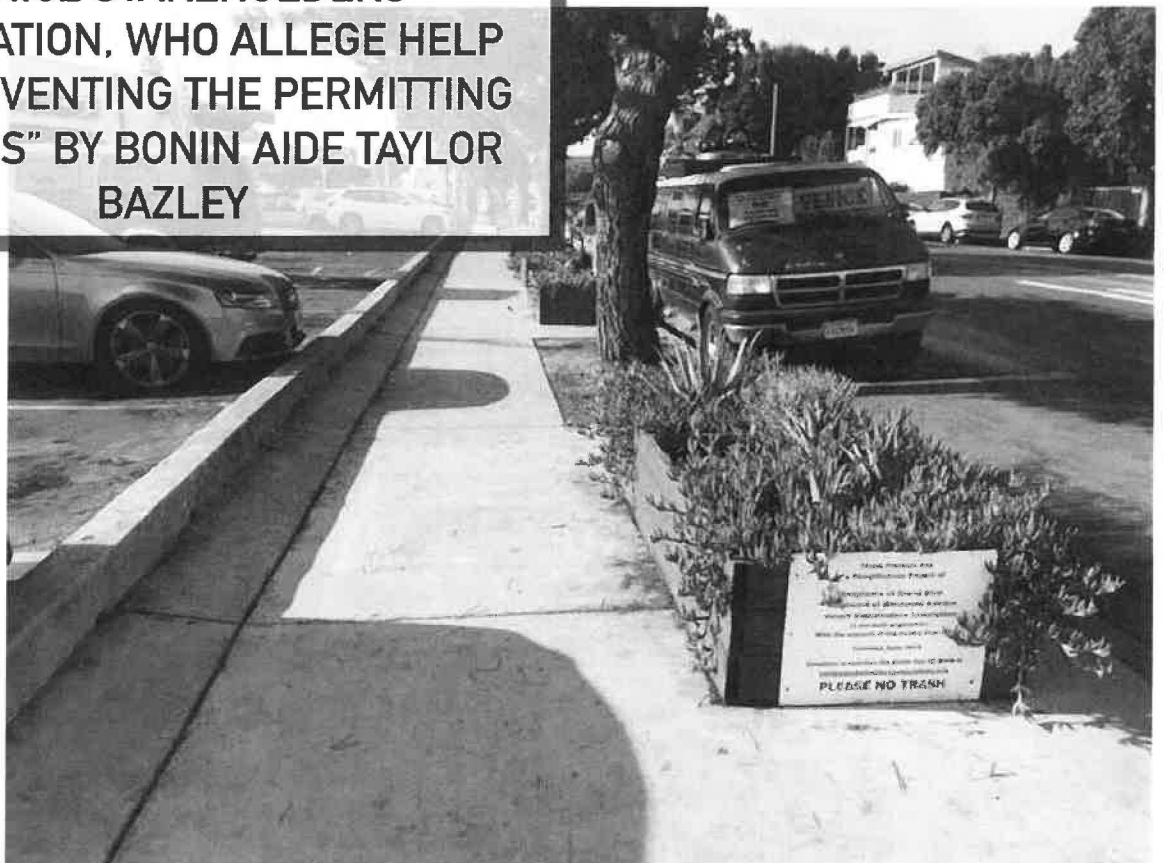
**THERE ARE
12 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
OF VARYING SIZES ALONG HAMPTON
AVE, JUST NORTH OF ROSE AVE
IN VENICE.**

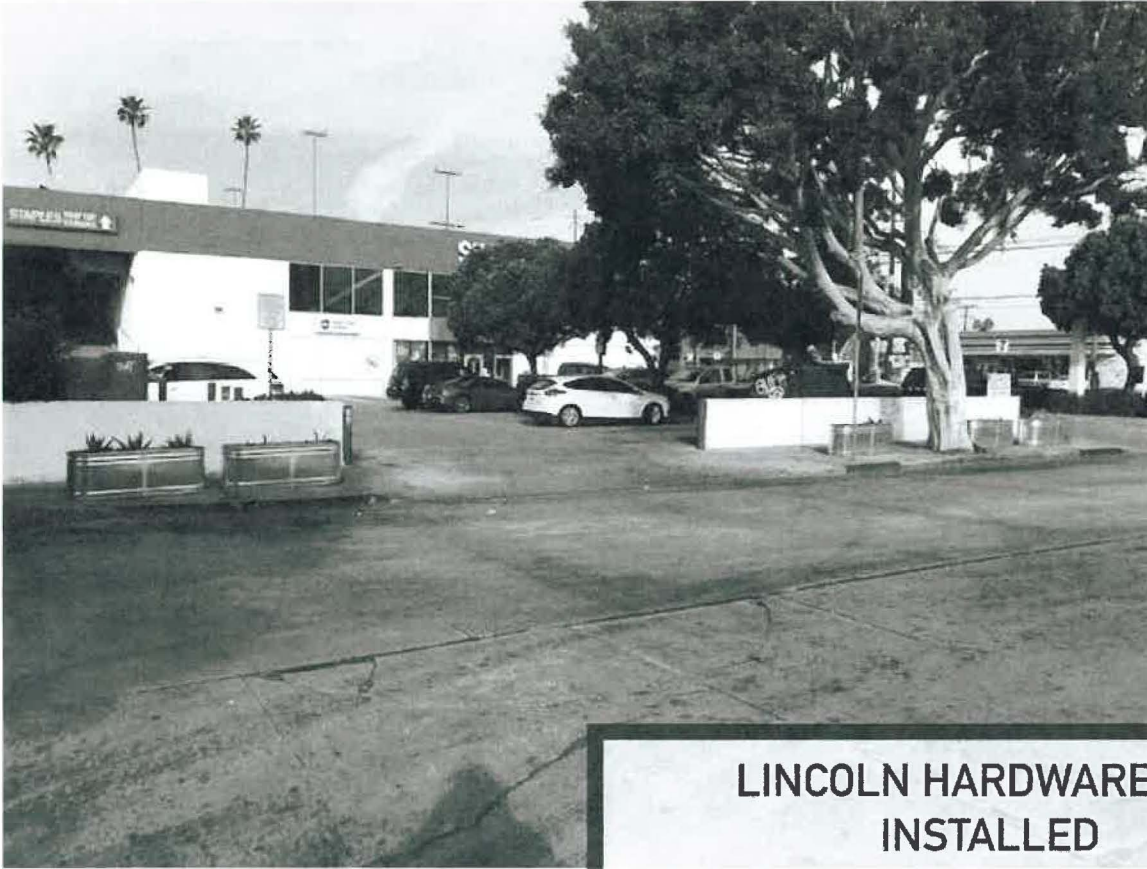


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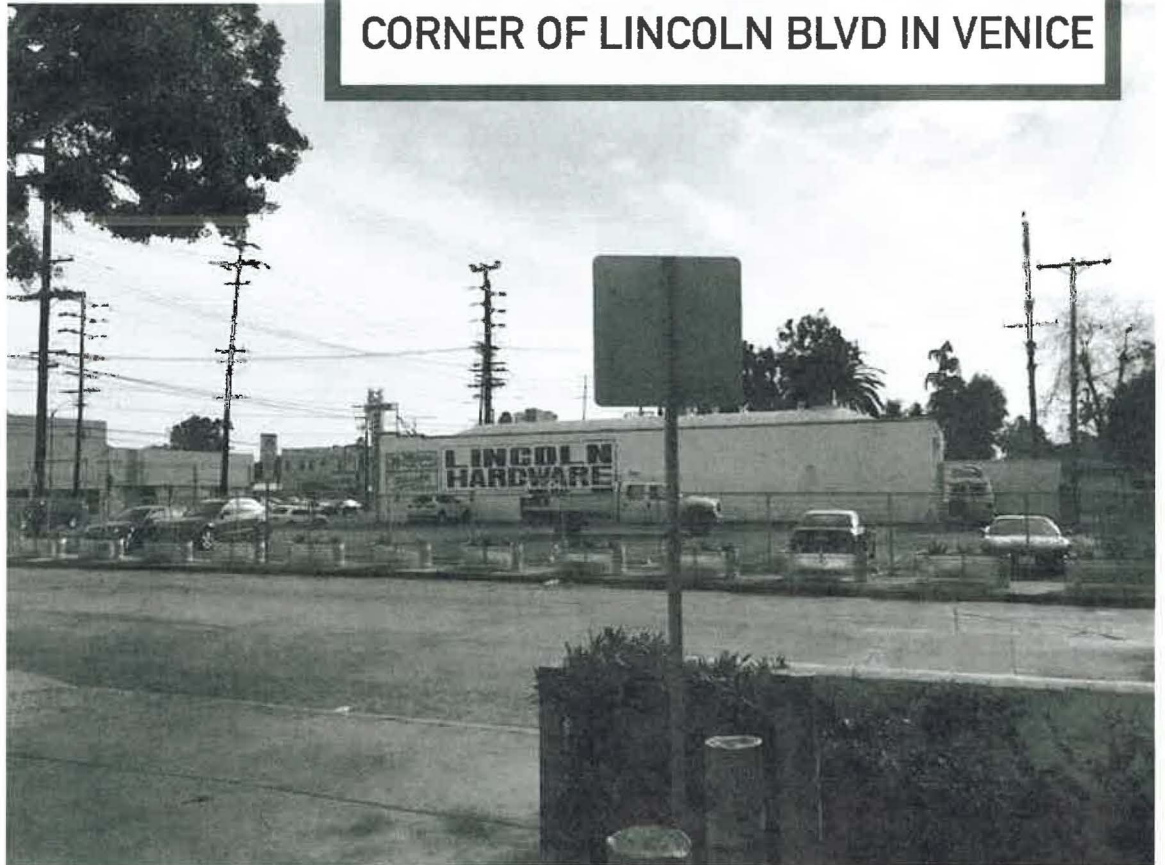


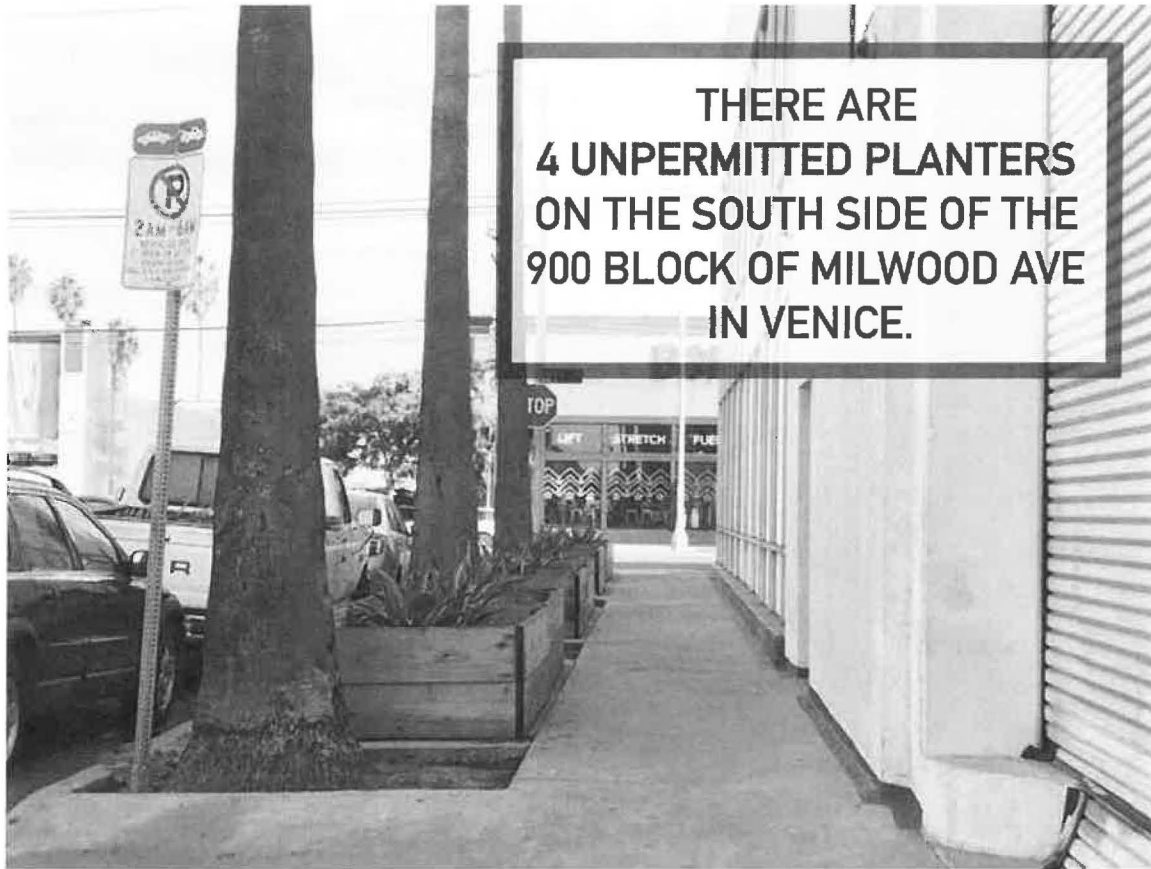
**THERE ARE
56 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
SURROUNDING THE VENICE POST
OFFICE, INSTALLED BY
VENICE STAKEHOLDERS
ASSOCIATION, WHO ALLEGE HELP
"CIRCUMVENTING THE PERMITTING
PROCESS" BY BONIN AIDE TAYLOR
BAZLEY**





**LINCOLN HARDWARE HAS
INSTALLED
17 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
ALONGSIDE BOTH THE NORTH AND
SOUTH SIDES OF PALMS BLVD AT THE
CORNER OF LINCOLN BLVD IN VENICE**





**THERE ARE
4 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE
900 BLOCK OF MILWOOD AVE
IN VENICE.**

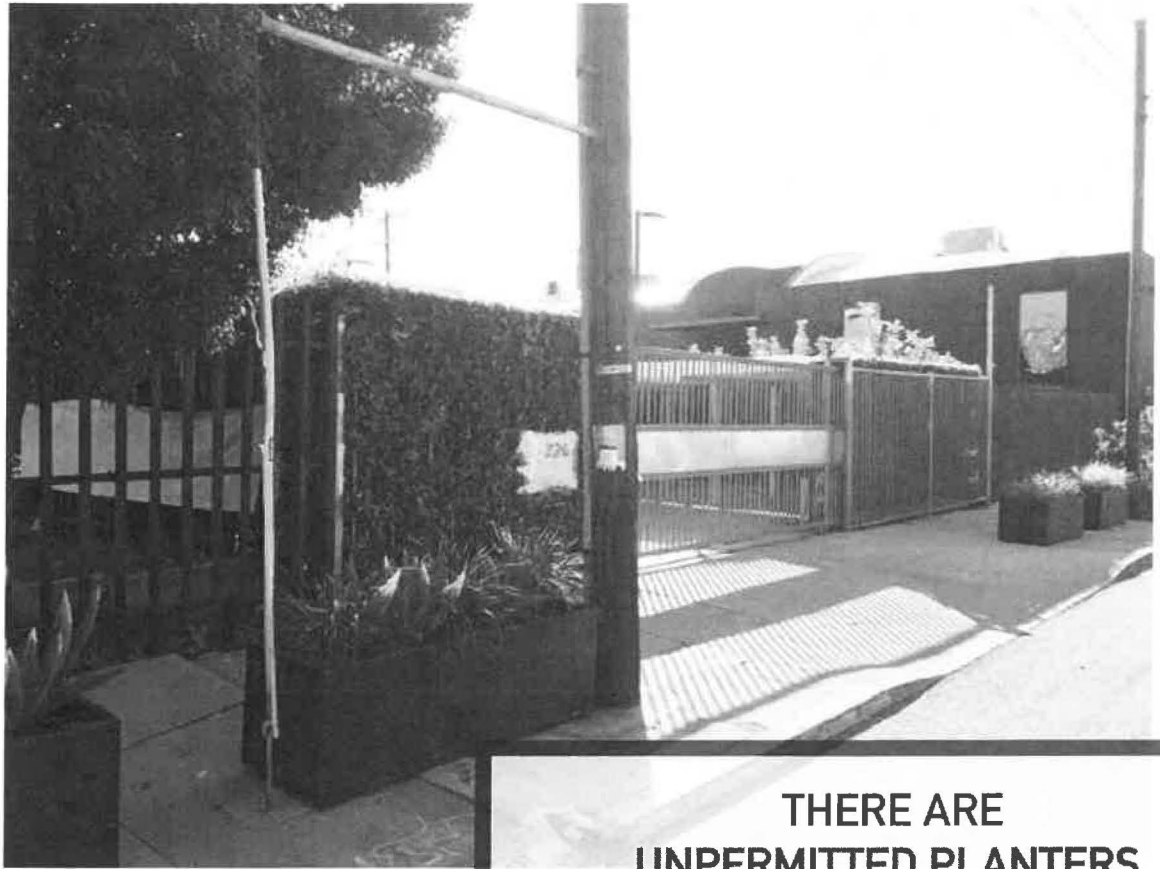


**THERE ARE
10 UNPERMITTED PLANTERS
ON THE BOARDWALK
BETWEEN NAVY AND ROSE
IN VENICE. SON FOR SCALE.**

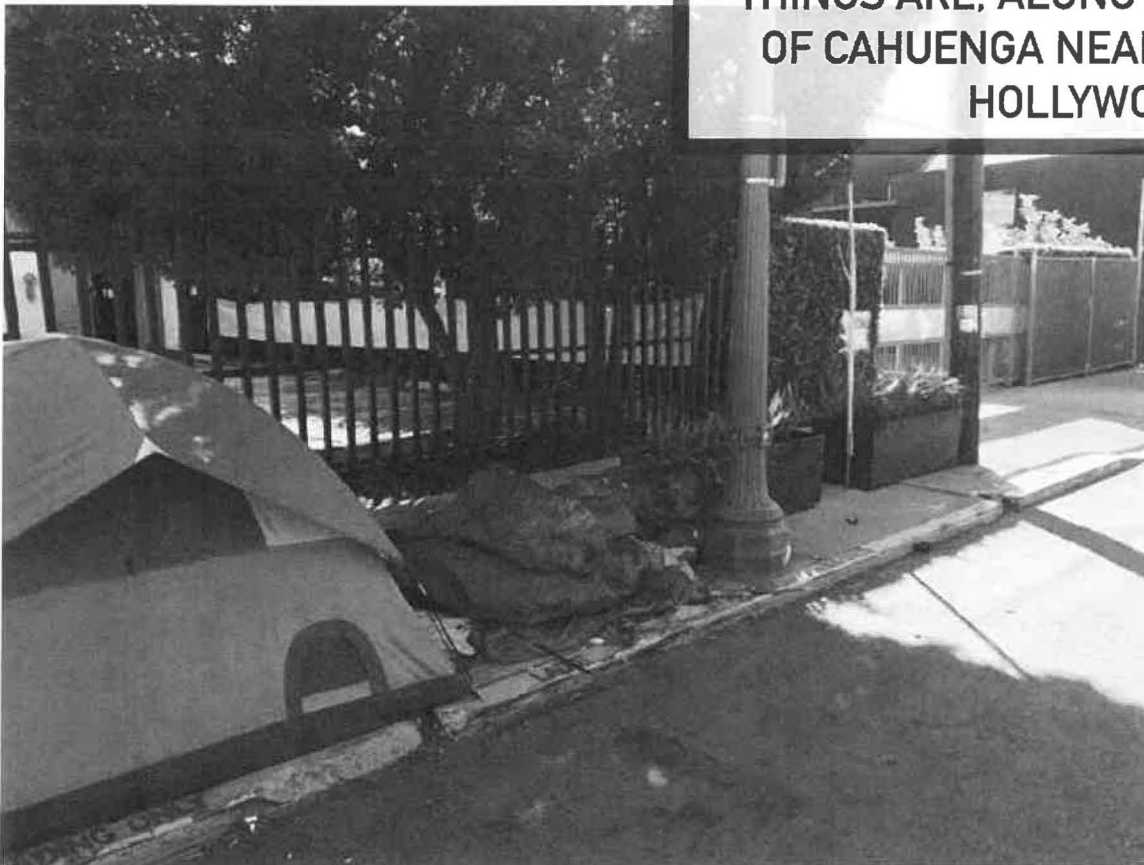


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AND WHATEVER THOSE OTHER
THINGS ARE, ALONG THE 700 BLOCK
OF CAHUENGA NEAR MELROSE IN
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**MORE
UNPERMITTED PLANTERS,
ALONG
6350 SANTA MONICA BLVD
IN HOLLYWOOD**



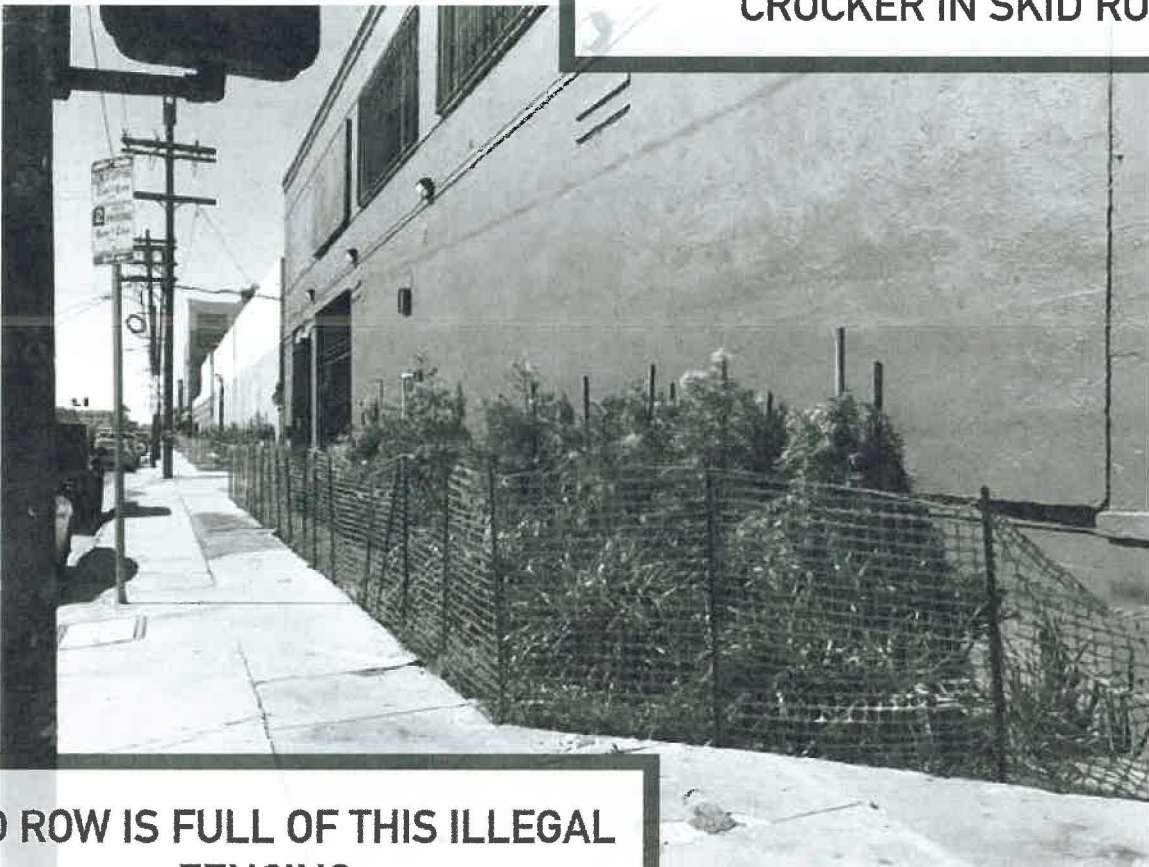


**MORE
UNPERMITTED PLANTERS,
ALONG THE 1000 BLOCK
OF CAHUENGA BLVD
IN HOLLYWOOD**





**ILLEGAL FENCING NEAR 4TH AND
CROCKER IN SKID ROW**



**SKID ROW IS FULL OF THIS ILLEGAL
FENCING**

From: brian.buchner@lacity.org on behalf of Mayor UHRC <uhrc@lacity.org>
Sent: Friday, November 02, 2018 12:30 PM
To: Taylor Bazley; Emada Tingirides
Cc: Javier Ramirez; Marco Ramirez; Robert Chellew; Salvador Rosales; Steven Pedersen; Gonzalo Barriga; Monique Contreras; Celina Robles; Brian Buchner
Subject: Re: Harding Ave./Lincoln Blvd. Beautification Project

Understood, Taylor.

Emada, can you please confirm if West Bureau HOPE visited the location? Also, copying LASAN to ensure coordination between the Council Office, the UHRC, and departments.

Thanks.

Brian

On Thu, Nov 1, 2018 at 6:44 PM, Taylor Bazley < taylor.bazley@lacity.org > wrote:

We need a posted clean up as soon as possible. I am already asking LASAN to prioritize the location and it would be helpful to get sooner than later.

Thanks -
Taylor

On Wed, Oct 31, 2018 at 10:08 AM Mayor UHRC < uhrc@lacity.org > wrote:

Hi Taylor,

We'll have the West Bureau HOPE Team address the location. Copying Lt. Emada Tingirides on this email chain.

Thanks.

Brian Buchner

CITY EMPLOYEES SHOULNT BE, BUT ARE ASSISTING HOUSED RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES IN GETTING THESE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES INSTALLED.



Brian Buchner
Chief, CENTCOM Operations
Office of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti
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On Tue, Oct 30, 2018 at 4:27 PM, Taylor Bazley < taylor.bazley@lacity.org > wrote:

Hi UHRC -

I needed some help coordinating a clean up at Harding just West of Lincoln Blvd. in Venice.

-Taylor

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Carlos Torres <[redacted] Privacy >

Date: Tue, Oct 30, 2018 at 3:01 PM

Subject: Re: Harding Ave./Lincoln Blvd. Beautification Project

To: venicestakeholders <[redacted] Privacy >, Taylor Bazley <taylor.bazley@lacity.org>, James Setzer <31260@lapd.online>

Cc: [redacted] Privacy >, [redacted] Privacy >, [redacted] Privacy >, [redacted] Privacy >, Mike Castillo <[redacted] Privacy >, James Roberts <31381@lapd.online>, Javier Ramirez <39174@lapd.online>, Kristan Delatori <32914@lapd.online>, Michael Soliman <32906@lapd.online>, Kevin Lowe <27614@lapd.online>

The situation here is deplorable, is so frustrating to be left out in the cold like this, Our SLO Officer Ramirez was in the process of coordinating a day with Sanitation so we could install the planters, we have the planters, we have the plants, we have the people to come and do the labor, all we need is for our Officials to come and help us clear the area so we can do the work, !!! Is been 5 months of us residents fighting this battle, is just not fair, we are exahusted, we are frustrated, we feel helpless.

Officer Ramirez what happened? you said you were going to help us. You are not returning our calls or emails when you said we will be ready to proceed this week. We have done our part where are you?

Please Captain James help us residents, is not our fault, we pay taxes, we been patient, we raised our own funds, we have been doing the hard work and will continue, all we need is for our SLO to help us one day to clean that area. We have integrity and we are hoping that our officials do too.

I'm trusting that we will resolve this soon, for everyone's sake. I'm sure you don't want to be bother everyday with this same issue and we are desperate to have a decent life here.

Sincerely

Charlie T

On Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 7:30:01 PM PDT, James Setzer <31260@lapd.online> wrote:

Good evening all:

Barring the unforeseen, the LAPD can plan on providing a unit to engage these persons and seek their voluntary compliance.

I'll confirm unit availability and awareness by the SLO for this effort.

Respectfully,

Jim: Setzer

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From: venicestakeholders <[redacted] Privacy >
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2018 19:17
To: Taylor Bazley
Cc: [redacted] Privacy; Carlos Torres; [redacted] Privacy; Mike Castillo; [redacted] Privacy
[redacted] Privacy; James Roberts; James Setzer; Javier Ramirez; Kristan Delatori
Subject: Re: Harding Ave./Lincoln Blvd. Beautification Project

We did not apply for a permit. I would ask that you ask the LAPD to assist the residents in asking the campers to move their stuff so the installation can proceed. My guess is that all be well. If there is any resistance the residents can wait for a formal cleanup.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Taylor Bazley < taylor.bazley@lacity.org >
Date: 10/23/18 6:32 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: Venice Stakeholders < VeniceStakeholders@ca.rr.com >
Cc: samantha_mehra@yahoo.com, Carlos Torres < veniceneighborsunited@yahoo.com >, andyk@andyk.net, Mike Castillo < mikecastillonre@gmail.com >, camey@cameyart.com, thanhtran08141920@gmail.com, James Roberts <31381@lapd.online>, James Setzer <31260@lapd.online>, Javier Ramirez <39174@lapd.online>, Kristan Delatori <32914@lapd.online>
Subject: Re: Harding Ave./Lincoln Blvd. Beautification Project

Mark -

If this is permitted then LAPD would be able to support enforcement of your permit - my assumption is that this isn't permitted. If LAPD feels comfortable with their officers politely asking but not forcibly removing people (again assuming there is no permit) then they could do that but otherwise the way we would force people to leave an area is to fulfill a permit.

-Taylor

On Tue, Oct 23, 2018 at 6:26 PM Mark Ryavec < VeniceStakeholders@ca.rr.com > wrote:

Taylor,

Might it be possible for you to lend support in another manner?

The handful of campers have just landed there in the last couple days and a cleaning by Sanitation is not really necessary.

All it appears Captain Roberts is asking for is the council office's support for the installation of a few planter boxes on the parkway, as we previously have installed, with your support, around the Post Office and along Staples.

With your approval, the LAPD can certainly support the residents in asking the campers to move their belongings by 8 am Saturday morning so the installation can go forward.

The city can save the Sanitation clean up for more deserving locations.

Thank you for your consideration of this suggestion.

Mark

On 10/23/2018 5:24 PM, Taylor Bazley wrote:

Hi Samantha -

I'm sorry but the authorization process alone takes at absolute minimum two weeks, usually the fastest I can make it happen is 3 weeks, and 4/5 weeks is more standard.

The process for a posted clean up is the request goes in, LASAN responds to do a site evaluation and pings LAHSA, LAHSA needs to attempt to demonstrate rendering of services by visiting the site 3 documented times, they convey back authorization, the interdepartmental team needs to schedule this into their operations (usually the team is only in our council district two or three days a month), and then there needs to be a posting around the area 3 days in advance.

I know some neighbors might post that work will be done in an area at a given time and that has been useful at encouraging people to move at that time but a posted sanitation clean up is sort of a heavy lift that requires weeks notice and is according to the interdepartmental clean up crew's schedule (which doesn't usually include weekends).

-Taylor

On Mon, Oct 22, 2018 at 5:43 PM samantha mehra < [redacted] > wrote:
Hi Taylor,

Hope

Taylor Bazley
Field Deputy - Venice, OFW, Silver Strand, Marina Peninsula
Councilmember Mike Bonin
City of Los Angeles
310-575-8461 | www.11thdistrict.com



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Taylor Bazley
Field Deputy - Venice, OFW, Silver Strand, Marina Peninsula
Councilmember Mike Bonin
City of Los Angeles



NOTICE

**MAJOR SIDEWALKS, ALLEYS, PARKS AND OTHER PUBLIC
ACCESS AREAS CLEANING**

AN AREA CLEANING WILL COMMENCE ON:

Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 8:30

Lincoln Blvd. at AM Harding Ave.

**PLEASE REMOVE ALL PERSONAL
BELONGINGS, INCLUDING BULKY ITEMS
BY**

Wednesday, November 7, 2018 by 08:00 a.m.

This effort is designed to clean, improve and maintain a safe environment for the general public. The City may use power wash and street cleaning equipment to clean and disinfect the sidewalks, alleys, parks and other public access areas.

Please remove all personal belongings, including bulky items from sidewalks, alleys, parks, and public access areas. All property remaining will be removed by the City. Property left behind, except for items that pose an immediate threat to public health or safety, trash, and evidence of a crime or contraband, will be collected by the City and kept in a secure location for a period of 90 days during which time it may be retrieved by its rightful owner.

Items collected by the City may be retrieved at:

507 Towne Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Monday - Friday
(9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)

The City of Los Angeles greatly appreciates your cooperation in taking the necessary measures to ensure that

**SWEEP NOTICE FOR NOVEMBER 7TH
2018. THE SWEEP HAPPENED 24
HOURS EARLY, AND SAW THE
INSTALLATION OF UNPERMITTED
PLANTERS DIRECTLY AFTER, WHILE
LAPD AND LAHSA WERE STILL
THERE.**