

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND) and PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Soto Street Roadway Widening Project (Project) approval and the California Environmental Quality Act compliance for the Project located on Soto Street from Multnomah Street to Mission Road.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. REVIEW and CONSIDER the MND.
2. FIND that, on the basis of the whole record, there is no substantial evidence that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment and that the MND reflects the City's independent judgement and analysis.
3. ADOPT the MND.
4. APPROVE the Project as described in the Initial Study.
5. ADOPT the Mitigated Monitoring Program.

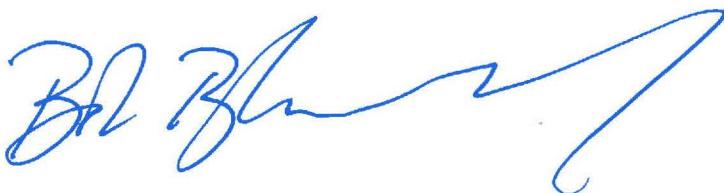
Fiscal Impact Statement: The BPW reports that the Project has a budget of \$35,500,000. The funding source for the Project originates from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (\$32.3 million) and local Proposition C (\$3.2 million) from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation as a local match.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

At the meeting held on September 18, 2019, your Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee considered a MND and Board of Public Works report relative to Project approval and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance for the Project located on Soto Street from Multnomah Street to Mission Road. The Bureau of Engineering reports that the Project would include approximately 2,700 linear feet of new sidewalk on the east side of Soto Street and 2,500 linear feet of new, widened sidewalk on the west side. The Project would implement Green Street elements, including infiltration basins with planting, as well as approximately 2,500 feet of new storm drain culvert. Green Streets, as defined by the City of Los Angeles Mobility Plan - Complete Streets Manual, are streets that incorporate sustainable elements, including stormwater management practices, street trees, and landscaping. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the BPW's recommendations, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE

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<b><u>MEMBER</u></b>	<b><u>VOTE</u></b>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RYU:	YES
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL	YES
MARTINEZ:	YES

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