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Council File No.

January 12, 2012

To All Interested Parties:

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File No. 08-0762,  
at its meeting held January 11, 2012.

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COMMUNICATION

File No. 08-0762

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TO: THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
FROM: COUNCILMEMBER JOSE HUIZAR, CHAIR  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE relative to the vacation of Venice Boulevard (portion of northwesterly side) between Mentone Avenue and alley northeasterly thereof (VAC E1401065).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the vacation request for Venice Boulevard (portion of northwesterly side) between Mentone Avenue and alley northeasterly thereof (VAC E1401065).

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Engineer reports that to date, an estimated \$6,420 in charges has been expended in the investigation of this request pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 7.42.

Community Impact Statement: None Submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on December 7, 2011, the Chair of the Public Works Committee considered the recommendations of the City Engineer as contained in its May 20, 2008 report. The City Engineer reports that the area sought to be vacated is northwesterly side portion of Venice Boulevard between Mentone Avenue and alley northeasterly thereof (a map of the area is included as Exhibit A in the May 20, 2008 City Engineer report and is attached to the Council file). The purpose of the vacation request is to consolidate the vacation area with the adjoining properties to provide for a bridge to connect the parking structure on both sides of the alley. The May 20, 2008 City Engineer report recommends denial of the vacation.

During the committee meeting the Department of Public Works agreed with the vacation approval and will prepare a new report to reflect that recommendation. After having provided an opportunity for public comment, and taking into consideration the letters of support to approve the vacation request from Councilmember Rosendahl and Councilmember Parks, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the vacation request. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER JOSE HUIZAR, CHAIR  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

DEC 14 2011 CONTINUED TO Dec 16, 2011

**ADOPTED**  
*AS Amended*  
DEC 16 2011

MEMBER            VOTE  
HUIZAR:            YES  
ENGLANDER:        ABSENT  
PARKS:              ABSENT

**LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**  
*See Attached Motion*  
**FORTHWITH**

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MOTION

I MOVE that the Communication from the Chair, Public Works Committee relative to the vacation of Venice Boulevard (portion of Northwesterly side) between Mentone Avenue and the Alley Northeasterly (VAC E1401065), Item No. 22 on today's Council Agenda (CF 08-0762), BE AMENDED to adopt the following additional recommendations:

- a) FIND that the vacation of Venice Boulevard (portion of Northwesterly side) between Mentone Avenue and the Alley Northeasterly thereof is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to Article III, Class 5(3) of the City's Environmental Guidelines.
- b) ADOPT the FINDINGS of the City Engineer report dated December 9, 2011, attached to the file (City Engineer Report), as the Findings of the Council.
- c) FIND that street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law, be instituted for the vacation of the public right-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on Exhibit "B" of the City Engineer Report:

A portion of Venice Boulevard between Mentone Avenue and the Alley Northeasterly thereof.

- d) AMEND recommendation "A" of the City Engineer Report, to read as follows:

That street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law be instituted for the vacation of the public right-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B".

A portion of the Northwesterly side of Venice Boulevard between Mentone Avenue and the alley Northeasterly thereof.

- e) DELETE recommendation B in the City Engineer Report.

- f) AMEND Condition 5(a) of the City Engineer Report to read as follows:

Repair or replace any broken, missing, or off-grade curb, gutter, and sidewalk along Venice Boulevard and along Mentone Avenue, and remove protruding bolt ends in the sidewalk area along Venice Boulevard.

- g) ADOPT the recommendations of City Engineer Report to approve the vacation as amended above.

- h) INSTRUCT the City Clerk to set a public hearing date for January 11, 2012.

**ADOPTED**

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

DEC 16 2011

SET FOR HEARING... Jan 11, 2012

December 16, 2011

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PRESENTED BY: *Bill Rosendahl*  
BILL ROSENDAHL  
Councilmember, 11<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: *[Signature]*

JAN 11 2012 - PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED  
*City Engineer instructed to proceed*

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