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There are three pedestrian walkways South of the Santa Monica/10 Freeway in Council District 10 which have been long standing sites for transient dumping of trash and debris. These sites have become loitering grounds and a magnet for illegal drug sales, prostitution and blight — all visible from the on and off ramps of East bound traffic from the Santa Monica Freeway.

City services including the Police Department, the Bureau of Sanitation and the Office of Council District 10 have conducted regular clean ups to address this major quality of life issue to no avail.

The closing down and installation of fencing at these three walkways will restrict and reduce access to these 'hot spots' and relieve the burden of using limited City resources to abate this continuing nuisance.

The community has petitioned for immediate action to resolve this matter.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the below named streets/walkways, subject to the conditions to be prescribed by the Bureau of Engineering, be temporarily closed pursuant to State Vehicle Code Section 21101.4, or any other City or State law, as appropriate, for a period of eighteen (18) months upon Council approval.

1. Adjacent property on the East: 2507 Bronson at 4200 25th Street (Rosa Parks Villa)  
adjacent property on the West: 2500 Block Crenshaw Blvd. (10 freeway and Rosa Parks Villa)
2. Adjacent property on the East: 2501 Crenshaw Blvd. (U Haul)  
adjacent property on the West: 2300 S. Victoria Ave.(Cunningham Village)
3. Adjacent property on the East: 2403 S. Wellington Road  
adjacent property on the West: 2346 Virginia Road at 2400 S Buckingham.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council adopt the following findings relative to the above action:

1. The above action is exempt under Article III Class 5, of the Los Angeles City Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970;
2. There is substantial evidence of serious and continual criminal activities in the walkways recommended for temporary closure;
3. The temporary closure of the walkways will reduce the criminal activity in the area;
4. The walkways do not provide necessary vehicular or pedestrian access to adjacent properties;
5. Affected property owners have agreed to the temporary closure;
6. The closures will not substantially adversely affect traffic flow, safety on adjacent streets or in the surrounding neighborhoods, the operation of emergency vehicles, the performance of municipal or public utility services, or the delivery of freight by commercial vehicles in the walkways proposed to be temporarily closed;
7. Vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic on the walkways contribute to the criminal activities;
8. The walkways have not been designated as through highways or arterial streets.

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