

Office of the City Engineer

Los Angeles, California

To the Public Works Committee

Of the Honorable Council

Of the City of Los Angeles

APR 23 2014

Honorable Members:

C. D. No. 9

SUBJECT:

Redesignation of Public Alley to Pedestrian Mall – North/South Alley Westerly of Avalon Boulevard from 52nd Street to Approximately 100 Feet Northerly Thereof – Council File No. 13-1358

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. That redesignation of public alley to pedestrian mall proceedings pursuant to the Pedestrian Mall Law of 1960 over the North/South alley westerly of Avalon Boulevard from 52nd Street to approximately 100 feet northerly thereof, shown on the attached Exhibit "A", be instituted by a two-thirds vote of the entire Council.
- B. That this redesignation be subject to the Council's determination to be made at the Public Hearing to be held pursuant to this Pedestrian Mall Law and to be scheduled under the Resolution of Intention.
- C. That in conformance with Section 11102 of the Pedestrian Mall Law of 1960 the public alley being redesignated is not needed for motorized vehicles.
- D. That the City Council adopt the Resolution of Intention for this proposed redesignation.
- E. That the Real Estate Division of the Bureau of Engineering record the Resolution with the County Recorder.
- F. That the following be notified of the time and place of the Public Works Committee meeting on this matter:

- 1. Laura Ballock
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2. Gloria Lee
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3. Balubhai Patel
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13. Estelle Overton
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18. Gaynell Matta
431 E. 52nd Street
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437 E. 52nd Street
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- G. That the City Clerk be directed to schedule a public hearing a minimum of 90 days from the Council adoption of the Resolution of Intention.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The General Fund will be impacted by the Administrative costs for the investigation and processing of this report, and the minimum cost of \$4000.00.

TRANSMITTAL:

1. Council motion adopted November 8, 2013 under Council File No. 13-1358,
2. Draft of Resolution of Intention, in duplicate.
3. Exhibit "A", location map.

DISCUSSION:

Request: The City Council on November 8, 2013, under Council File 13-1358, adopted a motion directing the Bureau of Engineering to prepare a Resolution of Intention to initiate proceedings to establish a pedestrian mall at the proposed location.

Zoning and Land Use: The properties adjoining the proposed pedestrian mall are zoned RD1.5-1 and C2-1VL.

Description of Area to be Redesignated: The area to be redesignated is a 15-foot wide improved public alley.

Effects of Redesignation on Circulation and Access: The redesignation of the alley will have a certain effect and impact on vehicular circulation. However, this portion of the alley is part of the Avalon Green Alley Network Demonstration Project which encourages walkability within the neighborhood. Emergency vehicles and pedestrian traffic will be allowed over the mall area.

City Fire Department: The Fire Department communication dated July 19, 2013 did not oppose the redesignation, but did address concerns if development were to take place.


Environmental Determination:

The City Engineer has determined that this redesignation is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, pursuant to the exemptions included in the City of Los Angeles Guidelines under Article III, Class 5 (3).

Report prepared by:

LAND DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Respectfully submitted,


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