

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to designating a segment of Glendale Boulevard as a Modified Major Highway-Class II right-of-way standard.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (O'Farrell – LaBonge):

1. DIRECT and AUTHORIZE the City Planning Department, with the assistance of the Bureau of Engineering and Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), to modify the street dedication requirements for street segments along Glendale Boulevard from the northern border of the CA-2 Freeway north to Silver Lake Boulevard to accommodate a 56-foot wide roadway and 15-foot wide sidewalk and parkway, inasmuch as this portion of Glendale Boulevard is in the process of being reclassified from a Major Highway Class II to a Modified Secondary Highway pursuant to the Mobility Element update, and such action is necessary for timely implementation of the in-fill small-lot subdivision project located at 2211-2235 North Glendale Boulevard.
2. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering, with the assistance of the City Attorney, LADOT, City Planning Department, and Bureau of Street Lighting to work cooperatively with the applicant through the B-permit process to implement a half roadway width of 28 feet and a sidewalk and parkway width of 15 feet all within a 86-foot half-width right of way for Glendale Boulevard in lieu of the existing standards.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

On August 20, 2013, Council considered Motion (LaBonge – Bonin) relative to designating a segment of Glendale Boulevard as a Modified Major Highway-Class II right-of-way standard. Motion states that an in-fill development project at 2211 - 2235 North Glendale Boulevard requires a small lot subdivision to create nine new lots for the construction, use and maintenance of nine single-family dwelling units. Motion movers state that the planned subdivision would provide a beautiful open, frontage along Glendale Boulevard to keep with the consistency and character of the neighborhood. Based on the current classification of Glendale Boulevard as a major highway, this project is required to widen Glendale Boulevard. Widening Glendale Boulevard would result in significant disruption to existing slopes and involve the construction of 10-foot or greater retaining walls along the street. If held to these standards, this development would be severely constricted and would lose the beautiful landscaped frontage that adds significant value and charm to the already vibrant nature of this segment of Glendale Boulevard. Motion movers recommend that the street segment be reclassified. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held January 22, 2014, the Transportation Committee recommended that Council approve Motion, as amended to reflect the technical amendments incorporated above.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
LABONGE:	ABSENT
PARKS:	ABSENT
KREKORIAN:	YES

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