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Beachwood Drive is the main thoroughfare in the Beachwood Canyon/Hollywoodland area, and is an historical street paved in the 1920s that is now known more casually as the street that leads up to the Hollywood Sign, one of the most famous landmarks in the world.


As Global Positioning Systems (GPS), social media and other technologies have advanced, the Beachwood Canyon/Hollywoodland area has experienced many challenges related to traffic and parking congestion, particularly on weekends, holidays and high tourist season(s). This has proven to be an immense obstruction to local residents and tourists alike. As there are no sidewalks on upper Beachwood Drive, people are found walking and standing in narrow streets, making it difficult for people and automobiles to maneuver and share the road. Extremely limited parking and difficult traffic flow does not allow access for emergency vehicles.

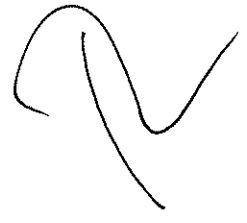
In recent months, the City has worked with area residents to address these issues in various ways, including establishing temporary preferential parking districts and other measures. Furthermore, numerous City agencies, including the Los Angeles Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Transportation and Department of Recreation and Parks/Park Rangers Division have been involved with finding remedies for the challenges in the Beachwood Canyon/Hollywoodland area.


As the Council Office continues to work with area residents to address concerns, a comprehensive assessment of the various departments' findings is needed in order to further guide policymaking decisions in future months and years.

I THEREFORE MOVE that LAPD, LAFD, LADOT and the Park Rangers Division in the Department of Recreation and Parks be immediately instructed to report to the City Council a thorough and detailed assessment of their understanding of the Beachwood Canyon/Hollywoodland area and the traffic and public safety challenges the neighborhood currently faces.

I FURTHER MOVE that these departments be instructed to provide recommendations to the City Council for remedies and solutions to these challenges.

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