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MOTION

Illegal dumping is a continuing and growing public nuisance for communities throughout the City of Los Angeles. This public safety issue acutely affects the quality of life for residents of the Seventh Council District, especially in the community of Sylmar. One of the most affected areas is a cul-de-sac located at the intersection of Foothill Boulevard and Harding Street.


This location is experiencing high volumes of illegal dumping, including bulky items and hazardous materials. The cul-de-sac is secluded and dark, which also attracts criminal activity, including a recent fatality. The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is supportive of temporarily closing this section of Harding Street to assist in mitigating future illegal activity.

In its letter of October 22, 2014, the LAPD's Mission Area Community Police Station requested that the Department of Transportation install a barricade and sign indicating no dumping, with the fine posted, at the Foothill Boulevard and Harding Street location. The LAPD has strongly stated that illegal dumping is a public nuisance for the residents of the Seventh Council District.

A temporary street closure, as provided under the California Vehicle Code, is urgently needed at the Foothill/Harding cul-de-sac to mitigate illegal dumping and other criminal activity.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering with assistance of the Department of Transportation be directed, as is provided under California State Vehicle Section 21101.4, to temporarily close the Harding Street cul-de-sac at its intersection with Foothill Boulevard in the community of Sylmar as the result of serious and continual criminal activity at this location.

PRESENTED BY: 
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SECONDEND BY: 

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