

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to creating an underground wiring district along La Cienega near the proposed pedestrian bridge to be located south of Wrightcrest Drive.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Wesson – Harris-Dawson):

DIRECT the Department of Public Works and other departments as necessary to prepare a study detailing the creation of an underground wiring district along La Cienega Boulevard for a length of 300 feet both north and south of the proposed pedestrian bridge south of Wrightcrest Drive.

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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 September 18, 2015, Council considered Motion (Wesson – Harris-Dawson) relative to creating an underground wiring district along La Cienega near the proposed pedestrian bridge to be located south of Wrightcrest Drive. Motion states Los Angeles County is developing a significant multi-phased park trail project called Park to Playa. Part of this project will connect the Kenneth Han State Recreation Area to the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook by a pedestrian bridge over La Cienega Boulevard. In this area, La Cienega Boulevard marks the City border with the Culver City, Los Angeles owning the eastern half of the street, and Culver City owning the western half. The undergrounding of the utility lines for this portion of La Cienega Boulevard is needed to accommodate the construction of the pedestrian bridge.

Motion movers go on to state that the utilities to be undergrounded are in an area that has a length of approximately 620 feet. The cost of undergrounding is estimated to be \$4.1 million with appropriate costs to be paid by the County of Los Angeles. The Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering is working with Southern California Edison on the establishment of an underground wiring district and design of the undergrounding. Culver City is also developing an underground wiring district in the same area. Motion recommends that the Department of Public Works prepare a study detailing the creation of the proposed underground wiring district. Council referred Motion to the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held October 26, 2015, the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee recommended that Council approve Motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BUSCAINO:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT
PRICE:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	YES
RYU:	YES

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