

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the temporary closure of the walkways located along Manning Avenue leading to cul-de-sacs at Edith and Philo Streets.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Koretz – Huizar):

DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering to investigate the feasibility of the temporary closure of the walkways located along Manning Avenue leading to cul-de-sacs at Edith and Philo Streets and similarly situated cul-de-sacs in the area, and to report with findings and recommendations for such closures, including:

- a. Placement of an appropriate gate or wall at the Manning Avenue entrance to the walkways at no expense to the City.
- b. Long term area maintenance to keep wall site clear of debris.
- c. If a gate is installed, providing keys and access to the Los Angeles Police (LAPD) and Fire Departments (LAFD).

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 October 6, 2015, Council considered Motion (Koretz – Huizar) relative to the temporary closure of the walkways located along Manning Avenue leading to cul-de-sacs at Edith and Philo Streets. Motion states residents adjacent to Edith and Philo Streets have pedestrian access to Manning Avenue by separate walkways. Edith and Philo Streets are cul-de-sacs. Residents of the area have cited a litany of public safety concerns, including:

- Arson to cars and adjacent foliage
- Vagrant RV parking on Manning Avenue
- Persons rummaging through trash cans and littering roadway, and yelling obscenities
- Vehicles keyed by persons using the walkways from Manning Avenue
- Burglaries
- Drug use
- Public urination and defecation
- Vehicle theft and items stolen from vehicles

According to Motion movers, LAPD believes that closing the walkways would increase public safety. LAFD has no objections to the walkway closures. Motion movers recommend that Council direct the Bureau of Engineering to investigate the feasibility of the temporary closure of the walkways located along Manning Avenue leading to cul-de-sacs at Edith and Philo Streets. 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

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

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