

PUBLIC WORKS & GANG REDUCTIO:

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The residents on Woodbine Street have pedestrian access to Manning Avenue by a separate walkway adjacent to 3297 Woodbine Street. Woodbine Street is a residential cul-de-sac. Concern has risen among residents that this open-access pedestrian walkway is creating a public safety hazard to residents of Woodbine Street and the surrounding residential community.

The 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, littering the roadway, and yelling obscenities;
- Vehicles "keyed" by persons using the walkway from Manning Avenue;
- Home burglaries;
- Observed drug use;
- Public urination and defecation;
- Vehicle theft; and,
- Items stolen from vehicles.

Pursuant to State Vehicle Code Section 21101.4, the City can authorize the temporary closure of public streets, alleys, and walkways to mitigate criminal activity.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering be directed to investigate the feasibility of the temporary closure of the walkway located along Manning Avenue leading to the cul-de-sac at Woodbine Street and to report findings and recommendations for the closure including:

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

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