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Laura Rubio-Cornejo
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VIA EMAIL

Re: Venice Blvd For All Letter of Support

Ms. Rubio-Cornejo:

At our regularly held public meeting on **January 9, 2023**, the Board of Directors of the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council ("DLANC") voted to provide the following comments:

The Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council, requests that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), in concert with Council District 9, Council District 14, and Metro, investigate improvements to the Venice Boulevard Corridor. As Downtown continues to grow, addressing universal mobility needs for pedestrians, transit users, and motorists alike is more crucial than ever, especially on our High Injury Network (HIN) corridors. As such, we would like the Department to implement the Venice Blvd For All plan as detailed at veniceblvdforall.com.

Therefore DLANC requests the Department investigate the following improvements to Venice Boulevard within its borders including the portion from the 110 FWY to San Pedro Boulevard:

1. **Study the creation of a Class IV protected bike lane** from the I-10 FWY to Figueroa Boulevard and from Main Street to San Pedro Street. With the introduction of [CF-23-1363](#), the Department should make efforts to incorporate this request with other city-wide efforts to link communities along the Venice Boulevard Corridor.
2. **Study the creation of a 24/7 bus-only lane** in both the east and westbound directions along Venice Boulevard Street between the I-10 FWY and Main Street.

3. **Consider providing protected left turn phasing** at the intersections of Maple/16th, Main/16th Streets, and/or any necessary intersections as part of the inclusion of bus-only lanes along this corridor.
4. **Study the inclusion of Vision Zero improvements** such as improved lighting at intersections, and Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) signal phasing at impacted crossings with high records of fatalities or injuries.
5. **Work with the Bureau of Street Services (StreetsLA)** to integrate appropriate transit-supportive street furniture such as new bus shelters as part of the Street Transit Amenities Program along the area of improvement.

We believe these improvements will help our city meet its Green New Deal goals, address traffic fatalities, make progress towards Vision Zero, and make Venice Boulevard a safer and more pleasant place to walk, bike, scoot, take transit, and drive across the eternity of the City.

Sincerely,

*** SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY DLANC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON JANUARY 9, 2023 ***

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