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VIA EMAIL

Re: Venice Blvd For All Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern:

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 City to 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 Class IV protected bike lanes** along the following routes:
 - a. Venice Boulevard/16 Street from Main Street to San Pedro Street
 - b. 12th Street from Figueroa to San Pedro Street - eastbound direction (*DLANC recognizes that this will result in a lane reduction*)
 - c. 11th/Chick Hearn Court from Figueroa to 110 FWY - east and westbound directions

With the introduction of [CF-23-1363](#), LADOT should 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 between the I-10 FWY and Main Street (*DLANC recognizes that this may result in the removal of street parking*)
3. **Consider implementing a protected left turn signal** at the intersections of Maple/16th, for drivers traveling westbound and making a left to get on the 10 Freeway.
4. **Study the inclusion of Vision Zero improvements** such as improved lighting at intersections, and Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) signal phasing at crossings along the corridor.
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,



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