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April 13th, 2020

Mayor Garcetti, Los Angeles City Council & Seleta Reynolds, General Manager LA DOT,

At its regular Board meeting, held on April 9th, 2020, the Del Rey Neighborhood Council passed the following resolution 14-0.

Whereas COVID-19 has wreaked havoc on the City of Los Angeles, disrupting lives, costing lives, and severely hampering our economy;

Whereas essential workers still need to get to/from their place of work while maintaining 6' between them and another person;

Whereas our road space is now dramatically overbuilt for the current traffic volume;

Whereas Angelenos need access to the outdoors to maintain their physical and mental health during this difficult time;

Whereas our current bike lane network is inadequate to make people feel like cycling is a safe alternative to public transit;

Whereas Los Angeles has seen an increase in speeding since the stay at home order was implemented;

Whereas the average width of our sidewalks in the City of Los Angeles is 4.43', making maintaining 6' impossible even when walking down the street;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Del Rey Neighborhood Council supports enhancing mobility and open space access in Los Angeles during COVID-19, and specifically supports:

- I. Subject to further outreach, pilot a temporary emergency safe streets network throughout the Del Rey
 Neighborhood Council's jurisdiction, redistributing street space to widen sidewalks and create temporary protected bike lanes using cones or other temporary infrastructure.
- II. Subject to further outreach, consider closing the certain streets (or alternate ones adjacent to those below)

entirely to traffic (except local traffic) to allow for the implementation of LADOT's "Play Streets".

The Del Rey Neighborhood Council supports this effort and calls on the Mayor's office and LADOT to quickly enact the proposals above to ensure the safety and livability of our city during this trying time.

Thank you for your timely review of this motion, and please feel free to contact me with any questions at matt.wersinger@delreync.org.

Sincerely,

Matt Wersinger President