

Communication from Public

Name: Leslie Claussen

Date Submitted: 09/07/2022 06:05 PM

Council File No: 20-1482

Comments for Public Posting: This is in reference to the passage at Effie Street and Maltman Avenue connecting Effie to Crestmont Avenue. It is a small green space a half block long. This is an important pedestrian pathway offering peaceful shade. There is so little public greenery in our huge city, every little bit counts. Please allow this tiny bucolic haven to remain in public use! I live blocks away, but visit this area often and use the path. It's lovely and unusual and I sincerely hope it may remain open to the public.

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Name: Silvia Kuhle

Date Submitted: 09/07/2022 10:09 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please find attached 56 letters of opposition to the proposed street vacation of Maltman Ave between Effie St. and Crestmont Ave, CS 20-1482. The neighbors are against the privatization of the street, private development, and the removal of mature landscape and existing tree canopy. The 56 opposition letters were collected in just 2.5hrs from 9AM to 11:30AM, Saturday, July 30, 2022 from neighbors passing by the intersection of Effie Street and Maltman Avenue. The signatories include two neighbors living adjacent and abutting to the subject portion of Maltman Ave. Most of the remaining 50+ signatories are residents living no more than 3 blocks of the proposed street closure. No one, including residents living on directly adjacent properties, had been notified during the approximately 2-year application process prior to a very recent public posting adjacent to the site. Additionally the Silverlake Neighborhood Council had not been notified of the proposed street closure. SLNC participated in this outreach. We request to deny the application and keep Maltman Ave between Effie St and Crestmont Ave public. Silvia Kuhle & 55 Neighbors

To:

**The Honorable Council
Of the City of Los Angeles**
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

July 29th, 2022

Dear Members of the City Council,

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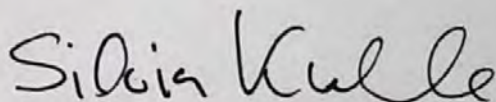
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Sincerely,



Silvia Kühle
3519 Dahlia Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90026
323-842-1886

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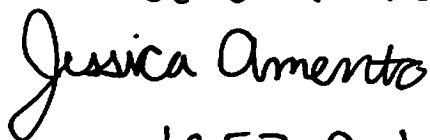
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1653 Redcliff St. Apt B
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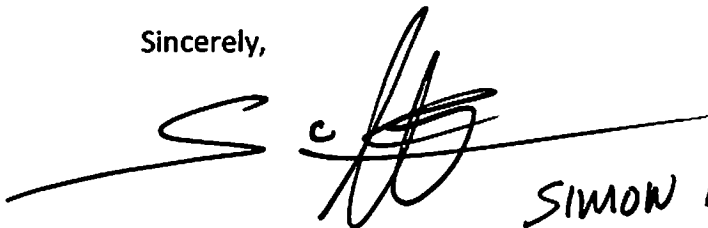
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3506 CANNATION AVE
LOS ANGELES
CA 90026

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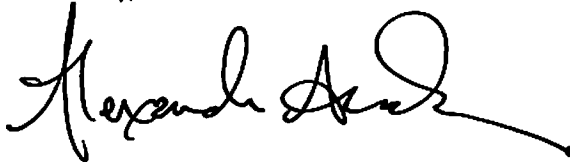
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1531 MALTMAN AVE.
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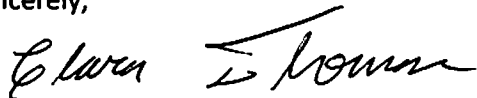
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1825 Micheltorena St. 90026

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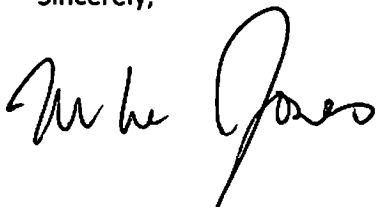
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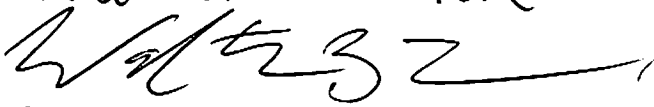
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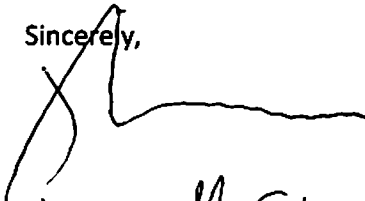
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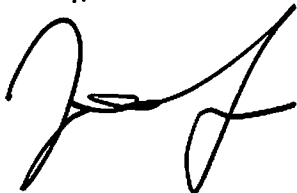
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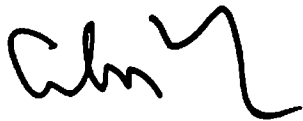
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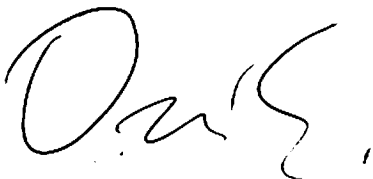
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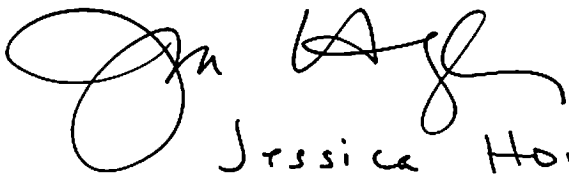
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4433 clarissa ave
Los Angeles CA 90027

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July 30th, 2022

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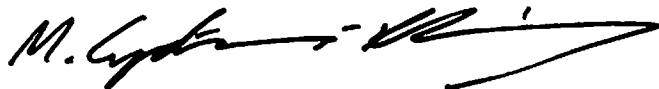
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Los Angeles Ca 90004

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Caron Cronin
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24 year resident of Silver Lake
1808 Rotary Drive
LA, CA 90026

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As a longtime resident of the Silver Lake area who has witnessed the multiple benefits to the community and the local environment and wildlife of preserving existing open space, I write in opposition to the proposed “street vacation” of Maltman Avenue between Effie Street and Crestmont Avenue, in Silver Lake, 90026.

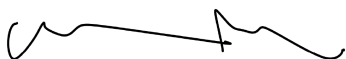
It should be understood to start that the proposed “street vacation” is not the vacation of an unused or underutilized street, but the privatization of what for decades has been an open greenspace and pedestrian accessway, open to the public and to wildlife. The space is populated by mature trees forming a dense shade canopy, as well as Agaves in the sunnier areas of this open space. This space already is, and represents, the kind of conversion of street space to public and green space the city should be robustly pursuing.

As a pedestrian space, this land, which includes a large green space flanked by sidewalks, functions like the many public stairways between streets in Silver Lake—integral to the history and character of the neighborhood—and is heavily used by the residents of the area to walk to and from Sunset Boulevard. Maltman Avenue intersects Sunset Blvd at the east end of the Sunset Triangle Plaza, and the proposed vacation will forever break a direct pedestrian link to the plaza from the neighborhood and the hills in the area. This link is enjoyed not only by local residents, but by visitors from all over Los Angeles who enjoy trekking in the hills around Silver Lake.

Though the privatization of this space is being pursued via an Application for Vacation of Public Right of Way, and the applicants (who are the immediate neighbors of the land) have submitted a Consent and Waiver Form for Vacation Projects to the City Engineer Street Vacation, it is clear that the applicants are using this process in an attempt to privatize and develop what is not an unused portion of street or sidewalk, but in essence a small nature preserve and public green space nestled within the city—a small miracle that needs protection. The proposed “street vacation” will shift control of this space from public to private, and will serve as the first step toward development that will destroy the existing flora that has taken decades to grow to its current state, and will disrupt and displace wildlife that already have shrinking refuge within the city. This portion of Silver Lake is home to raptors including owls and hawks, coyotes, bobcats and other small mammals. The applicants are further benefitting from the fact that at 7,740 square feet, this land falls short of the 10,000-square-foot threshold that would trigger a more rigorous and extended environmental review. Given, however, that this is a long-established green space benefitting local wildlife, I feel strongly that the application should NOT be exempted from such review under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines. To my knowledge, no environmental study was completed in connection with this application, while there are serious environmental concerns.

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Christopher Miles, 1808 Rotary Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90026