

## MOTION

The current property owner at 1732 Whitley Avenue wishes to obtain a permit to install a conduit line required by the Department of Water and Power. However, the street segment where the work would be performed has recently been resurfaced and the property owner did not have an opportunity to coordinate with the planned street work. An exception to the City's one-year street cut moratorium is needed to allow the property owner to receive an excavation permit to proceed with the installation of conduit for an existing residential hotel consisting of 63 rental units. The current property owner claims that the resurfacing notification was never received.

On December 8, 2020, the property owner obtained the necessary electrical permit from the Department of Building and Safety to upgrade the building's electrical system. However, Whitley Avenue was resurfaced from Hollywood Boulevard to Franklin Avenue on March 11, 2021, prior to the electrical work being performed. The building has continued to suffer from routine electrical outages, impacting the residential rental units, and frustrated residents have continually threatened to stop paying their rents. As a temporary measure, the property owner has installed an additional power pole but the building power continues to be underserved.

The property owner continues to maintain that the 30-day notice of the planned resurfacing work was not received. An exception to the City's one-year street cut moratorium is therefore necessary to allow the owner to install the conduit line required to complete the needed electrical upgrades to the building.

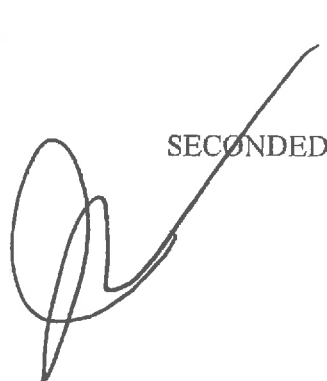
I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council approve an exception to the City's one-year, street cut moratorium on Whitley Avenue to allow for the installation of a conduit required by the Department of Water and Power for the residential hotel at 1732 Whitley Avenue.

I FURTHER MOVE that the permittee be required to properly repair and resurface the street cut area in accordance with Bureau of Engineering requirements and standards and, upon completion of the work, the repaired street cut be inspected by the Bureau of Contract Administration to maximize the longevity of the street.

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