

Office of the City Engineer

Los Angeles, California

To the Public Works Committee

Of the Honorable Council

Of the City of Los Angeles

November 18, 2021

Honorable Members:

C. D. No. 4

SUBJECT:

Temporary Closure of Dixie Canyon Avenue between 3363 and 3550 Dixie Canyon Avenue – Council File No. 19-0666

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. That the request for the closure of Dixie Canyon Avenue between 3363 and 3550 Dixie Canyon Avenue, as shown on the attached sketch, be denied.
- B. That notification of the time and place on the Public Works Committee meeting to consider this request be sent to:
 - 1. BACON, JEFFREY ET AL TRS
2049 CENTURY PARK E STE 1400
LOS ANGELES CA 90067
 - 2. STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
DEPT. OF PARKS & RECREATION
570 W AVENUE 26 STE 100
LOS ANGELES CA 90065
 - 3. MEYERS, MELVIN G.
P.O. BOX 55961
LOS ANGELES CA 91413
 - 4. RECREATION, MOUNTAINS
570 W AVENUE 26 STE 10
LOS ANGELES CA 90065-1047
 - 5. LAMB, CAITLIN TR
3696 DIXIE CANYON AVE

SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91423

6. NEW HOLLAND LLC
936 MONTEREY BLVD
HERMOSA BEACH, CA 90254
7. BROSMITH, SEAN B. & HSIU-YEN TOM (TRS)
BROSMITH FAMILY TRUST
3356 BEVERLY RANCH RD
BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210
8. LANGFORD, J. CHASE E ALL
3346 DIXIE CANYON AVENUE
BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210
9. FITZGERALD, M.J. ET AL
235 N MEADOWBROOK DR
ALPINE, UT 84044
10. WILLIS, WALTER B. (TR)
BRUCE WILLIS FAMILY
TRUST DTD 7-6-96
8255 SUNSET BLVD #901
LOS ANGELES, CA 90069
11. PATUSH CORPORATION
495 MILLER AVE STE 305
MILL VALLEY CA 94941
12. MEYERS, BRUCE L & ANN T (TRS)
BRUCK & ANN MEYERS TR 5-1-81
3550 DIXIE CYN AVE
SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91423

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Bureau of Engineering is absorbing the cost of processing the request in the approximate amount of \$5,000.

TRANSMITTALS:

1. Sketch indicating the area to be temporarily closed (Exhibit "A").
2. Motion from Council District No. 4, dated June 19, 2019.
3. Email from the Los Angeles Police Department, dated October 15, 2021.

DISCUSSION:

On September 18, 2019, under Council File No. 19-0666, a motion from Council District No. 4 (Transmittal no. 2) was adopted by the City Council directing the City Engineer to report back with recommendations to temporarily close Dixie Canyon Avenue south of 3363 Dixie Canyon Avenue for reasons of public safety, pursuant to State Vehicle Code Section 21104.4.

California Vehicle Code Section 21101.4 authorizes the City, by resolution, to close to through traffic a highway under its jurisdiction when all of the following conditions are found to exist:

- (1) The local authority finds and determines that there is serious and continual criminal activity in the portion of the highway recommended for temporary closure.
- (2) The highway has not been designated as a through highway or arterial street.
- (3) Vehicular or pedestrian traffic on the highway contributes to the criminal activity.
- (4) The closure will not substantially adversely affect traffic flow, safety on the adjacent streets or in the surrounding neighborhoods, the operation of emergency vehicles, the performance of municipal or public utility services, or the delivery of freight by commercial vehicles in the area of the highway proposed to be temporarily closed.

Captain Charles Hearn of Los Angeles Police Department, in an email dated October 15, 2021, stated the "... area of concern does not have a crime problem, and has the lowest crime in the entire division... The concerned constituency will have to look for other reasons to establish the road closure they are seeking."

The Bureau of Engineering, under a letter dated April 16, 2020, notified the twelve property owners abutting Dixie Canyon Avenue.

CONCLUSION:

The temporary closure of Dixie Canyon Avenue between 3363 and 3550 Dixie Canyon Avenue should be denied since it does not meet the threshold as set forth in State Vehicle Code Section 21101.4. Specifically, this segment does not have serious and continual criminal activity warranting the proposed closure area.

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