

The Athens Services Community Benefits Trust Fund provides funding for health care, environmental, and transportation projects, programs and services in the Sun Valley, Shadow Hills, Stonehurst, La Tuna Canyon, and nearby neighborhoods of Council Districts 2, 6, & 7. Transportation safety has been an ongoing concern of residents in Council District 7. Recent projects in the Foothill communities of Sunland Tujunga, Shadow Hills, Lakeview Terrace have highlighted the necessity of continued investment to meet safety needs.

A Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB) is a device commonly used to increase motorists' awareness of pedestrian crossings at uncontrolled marked crosswalk locations. In Shadow Hills, the La Tuna Canyon Road and Canter Lane intersection is a high-speed juncture which leads to dangerous conditions for the Vinedale Elementary school crossing. A PHB would enhance connection to bridle paths, ranches, and horse owners with the Fond Foundation trails and open space. This will allow access to all riders on the south side of La Tuna to safely cross and connect to Shadow Hills and the Hansen Dam Recreational Area.

There are sufficient funds in Council District 7's Athens Community Trust Fund to fund transportation-related safety projects and deserves financial assistance from the City. Council District 7's portion of the Athens Community Services Trust Fund can be transferred to the Department of Transportation to start the planning and project design which is necessary to move forward with the project. Action is needed to begin work on this effort by transferring money from the Trust Fund and to instruct the involved City departments to identify a contractor for the construction of the project.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the unallocated / unencumbered balance in the Council District 7 portion of the Athens Services Community Benefits Trust Fund No. 56W-14 be transferred / appropriated to the Department of Transportation's Account 840 for the installation of a PHB at the intersection of La Tuna Canyon Road and Canter Lane in Shadow Hills; and

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation be authorized to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

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SECONDED BY: Bob Blumenthal



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