

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to the temporary closure of the alley southerly of 85th Street between Main Street and Wall Street.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND that the temporary closure of the alley southerly of 85th Street between Main Street and Wall Street is categorically exempt under Article III, Class 5, of the Los Angeles City Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970.
2. FIND that the alley as shown in the City Engineer report dated December 1, 2021, attached to the Council file, subject to the conditions contained herein, be temporarily closed pursuant to State Vehicle Code Section 21101.4 for a period of eighteen months upon Council approval.
3. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, signed by the City Attorney.
4. ADOPT the following findings:
 - a. There is substantial evidence of serious and continual criminal activities in the alley recommended for temporary closure.
 - b. The temporary closure of the alley will reduce the criminal activity in the area.
 - c. The alley does not provide necessary vehicular or pedestrian access to adjacent properties.
 - d. The closure will not adversely affect traffic flow, safety on adjacent streets or in the surrounding neighborhoods, operation of emergency vehicles, and performance of municipal or public utility services.
 - e. Vehicular and pedestrian traffic on the alley contribute to the criminal activities.
 - f. The alley has not been designated as a through highway or arterial street.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Engineer reports that the Bureau of Engineering is absorbing the cost of processing the request in the approximate amount of \$5,000. Maintenance of the public easement by City forces will be eliminated.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

On February 9, 2022, your Public Works Committee considered a City Engineer and Resolution relative to the temporary closure of the alley southerly of 85th Street between Main Street and Wall Street.

After having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations as found in the City Engineer report, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD	YES
LEE	YES
DE LEÓN	YES
O'FARRELL	YES
KORETZ	ABSENT

ME 2/9/21

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