

MOTION

PUBLIC WORKS

The community of Wilmington, in Council District 15, has long been subjected to negative impacts of the Port of Los Angeles, exacerbated by poor planning, incompatible land use designations and inadequate transportation infrastructure.

In 2020, the California Public Utilities Commission ordered the closure of a substandard railroad crossing at Lomita Boulevard and Alameda Street, following multiple accidents involving freight trains and trucks. This closure resulted in a huge increase in the number of container trucks utilizing residential streets as an alternative to access container storage yards located off Lomita Boulevard.

These streets are not designed for overweight trucks and have resulted in unfair and unacceptable impacts to the quality of life of residents who live along these residential streets, including traffic, noise, diesel exhaust fumes, and dust.

Blinn Avenue is a north-south street that connects Lomita Boulevard with Sandison Street, allowing truck traffic access to the primarily residential Sandison Street and Drumm Avenue, as a shortcut to Pacific Coast Highway. The closure of Blinn Avenue between Lomita Boulevard and Sandison Street would eliminate the short-cut without affecting access to the lots abutting this section of Blinn Avenue, which all have vehicular access on adjacent streets.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering and the Department of Transportation, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, be **DIRECTED** to initiate the process of permanently closing Blinn Avenue between Lomita Boulevard and Sandison Street to all vehicular traffic.

PRESENTED BY:



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