

MOTION

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PUBLIC WORKS

In Council District 13 connecting communities, in particular those that are infrastructure underserved, has been a mobility priority. This began in 2013 with the design and then installation of the Fletcher Drive Streetscape and bike lane project which was followed by the Design, Build & Construction of three non-motorized bridges spanning the Los Angeles River in Council District 13. In addition, the North Atwater, Red Car, and Taylor Yard Bridges, connecting pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians for the first time to schools, parks and recreation, and commercial centers without the use of a motor vehicle were all designed, completed and built in the last 10 years

The Red Car Bridge in Atwater Village was an early start mitigation to provide safe crossings for pedestrians & cyclists when the much larger restoration and renovation of the Glendale/Hyperion complex of bridges commences construction in early 2023. This project will include protected bicycle lanes, ADA accessible sidewalks, that for the first time will safely connect pedestrians from Atwater Village to Silver Lake, as well as a pedestrian activated signalized crosswalk, in Atwater Village.

All of these Bridges, shared paths and increased access points along the Los Angeles River meet the goals and objectives of many of the City's planning documents, including the City of Los Angeles River Master Plan, River Improvement Overlay Plan, Los Angeles Bicycle Plan, and Elysian Park Master Plan, among others.

To further enhance these vital community connections, Council District 13 is taking the next logical steps, to increase connectivity and safety, including dovetailing off of the recent successful implementation of protected bike lanes along Riverside Drive west of Glendale Boulevard, furthering the goals and objectives of the City's Bicycle Plan and to further create safer routes around schools and parks and communities, and creating a fully connected network from the Los Angeles River to Elysian Park and beyond.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Transportation be directed to install protected bike lanes along Riverside Drive, east of Fletcher Drive in Council District 13, and continue them into Elysian Park along Stadium Way, following the route recommended in the City Bicycle Plan and the Elysian Park Master Plan.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Works, in consultation with the City Administrative Officer be directed to report on the cost to install both the ADA sidewalk from Riverside Drive along Stadium Way into Elysian Park, which currently abruptly ends at Landa Street, and the recommended Pedestrian Activated Signalized Crosswalk at Elysian Park Drive and Stadium Way, as recommended in the Elysian Park Master Plan, which would assure the most underserved and mobility challenged residents safe passage and connectivity from the Los Angeles River through Elysian Park, to both active and passive recreation as well as the commercial centers of Downtown, Echo Park, and Dodger Stadium.

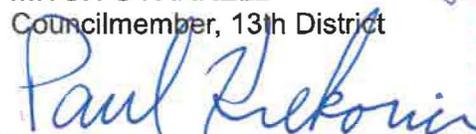


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