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The Honorable City Council c/o Holly L. Wolcott City Clerk Room 360, City Hall

COUNCIL FILE NO. 15-0719-S27 – CITY MOBILITY PLAN 2035 / NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCED NETWORK (NEN) / PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES AND TUNNELS

SUMMARY

This report provides recommended accessibility improvements to the pedestrian bridges and tunnels in the Third Council District.

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council,

1. Direct the Bureau of Engineering to submit a request for funding in the next annual Capital and Technology Improvement Expenditure Program (CTIEP) budget to perform the proposed improvements identified in this report.

BACKGROUND

On February 10, 2023, the City Council adopted the subject motion instructing the Bureau of Engineering to report on the following:

- A list of pedestrian bridges and tunnels in the Third Council District.
- The entity that owns or has primary responsibility for maintaining the bridge or tunnel.
- Resources necessary to assess each bridge and tunnel for ADA compliance, lighting and safety issues, curb cuts and other deficiencies that must be corrected to make them safe, inviting and usable by the public;
- Resources necessary to implement these improvements; and
- Potential sources for funding improvements.



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Some of these pedestrian bridges and tunnels are not ADA-accessible or usable by bicycles, scooters or other micromobility vehicles due to steps, posts, or other barriers; some are not optimally useful because they are not connected to sidewalks or do not have convenient curb cuts. The lack of lighting also presents safety and security challenges. In the Third District, the Los Angeles River, Aliso Creek, and Browns Canyon Wash have existing or planned bicycle or multi-use paths that are part of the low-stress active transportation network. Freeway bridges and tunnels provide alternatives to congested and dangerous entrances and exits and, where the 101 freeway closely parallels Ventura Boulevard, provide access to shopping, services, schools, and employment centers.

DISCUSSION

The Bureau of Engineering prepared the following list of pedestrian bridges and tunnels located in the Third Council District (refer to Exhibit A for location photographs) along with estimated costs for potential improvements at the specified locations. Bollards were likely originally installed to prevent motorized vehicles from accessing the various bridges and tunnels but also present potentially hazardous obstacles for bicycles and other micromobility vehicles. Removal of the bollards will require Caltrans or US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) concurrence and approval.

PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES & TUNNELS IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 3				
	Title and Location	Structure Type	Jurisdiction	Maintainer
	Etiwanda Ave Pedestrian Tunnel U/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Tunnel	Caltrans	State of California
	Yolanda Ave Pedestrian Tunnel U/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Tunnel	Caltrans	State of California
	Vanalden Ave Pedestrian Tunnel U/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Tunnel	Caltrans	State of California
101 Freeway	Shirley Ave Pedestrian Tunnel U/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Tunnel	Caltrans	State of California
	Oakdale Ave Pedestrian Tunnel U/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Tunnel	Caltrans	State of California
	Sale Ave Ped Tunnel U/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Tunnel	Caltrans	State of California
	Del Valle St Pedestrian Bridge O/Ventura Fwy	Pedestrian Bridge	Caltrans	City of LA
	Reseda Park Pedestrian Bridge O/Los Angeles River	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
L.A. River	Vanalden Ave Pedestrian Bridge O/Los Angeles River	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
L.A. River	Amigo Ave Pedestrian Bridge O/Los Angeles River	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
	Variel Ave Pedestrian Bridge O/Los Angeles River	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA

	Title and Location	Structure Type	Jurisdiction	Maintainer
	Valerio St Pedestrian Bridge O/Aliso Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
Aliso Creek	Hart St Pedestrian Bridge O/Aliso Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
	Arminta St Pedestrian Bridge O/Aliso Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
Browno Crook	Valerio St Pedestrian Bridge O/Browns Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
Browns Creek	Arminta St. Pedestrian Bridge O/Browns Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
Bell Creek	Glade Ave Pedestrian Bridge O/Bell Creek Pedestrian B	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
Calabasas Creek	Kittridge St Pedestrian Bridge O/Calabasas Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
Caballero Creek	Doman Ave Pedestrian Bridge O/Caballero Creek	Pedestrian Bridge	USACE	City of LA
	Wilbur Ave Pedestrian Bridge at Collins Street	Pedestrian Bridge	City of LA	City of LA

IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. 531380 - Etiwanda Ave Pedestrian Tunnel Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install North Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Construct North Side Concrete path from parking lot	\$3,000
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000
Upgrade Tunnel Lighting	\$20,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Estimated Total	\$45,000

2. 531381 – Yolanda Ave Pedestrian Tunnel Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000
Upgrade Tunnel Lighting	\$20,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Estimated Total	\$32,000

3. 531385 - Vanalden Ave Pedestrian Tunnel Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs	
Please note that the tunnel is currently closed.		
Install North Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000	
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000	
Upgrade Tunnel Lighting	\$20,000	
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000	
Estimated Total	\$32,000	

4. 531399 - Shirley Ave Pedestrian Tunnel Improvements

Proposed Work		Estimated Costs
Install North Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)		\$1,000
Upgrade Tunnel Lighting		\$20,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)		\$1,000
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Repair South Alley for better access path		\$5,000
	Estimated Total	\$47,000

5. 531400 – Oakdale Ave Pedestrian Tunnel Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install North Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000
Upgrade Tunnel Lighting	\$20,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)	\$1,000
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Replace South Side Concrete at entrance and repair alley	10,000
Estimated Total	\$52,000

6. 531163 – Sale Ave Pedestrian Tunnel Improvements

Proposed Work		Estimated Costs
Install North Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)		\$1,000
Upgrade Tunnel Lighting		\$20,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (Caltrans Approval Required)		\$1,000
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Replace South Side Concrete at entrance		\$3,000
	Estimated Total	\$45,000

7. 531162 - Del Valle St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work		Estimated Costs
Install North Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)		\$1,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)		\$1,000
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Replace South Side Concrete at entrance		\$1,200
Replace Side fence		\$2,400
E	stimated Total	\$25,600

8. 000856 - Reseda Park Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Upgrade Bridge Lighting	\$20,000
Replace South Side Pavement at entrance	\$4,000
Estimated Total	\$24,000

9. 000859 - Vanalden Ave Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
North Side ADA Curb Ramp Install	\$10,000
North Side Steel Bollard Removal (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
South Side Steel Bollard Removal (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
South Side ADA Curb Ramp Install	\$10,000
South Side Concrete replacement at entrance and alley	\$2,000
Estimated Total	\$24,000

10. 000864 – Amigo Ave Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
North Side ADA Curb Ramp Install	\$10,000
North Side Steel Bollard Removal (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
South Side Steel Bollard Removal (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
South Side ADA Curb Ramp Install	\$10,000
South Side Concrete replacement at entrance	\$2,000
Estimated Total	\$24,000

11. 000915 – Variel Ave Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
North Side Steel Bollard Removal	\$3,000
(USACE Approval Required)	\$ 3,000
South Side Steel Bollard Removal	\$3,000
(USACE Approval Required)	
Estimated Total	\$6,000

12. 000834 - Valerio St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Remove asphalt concrete, install West Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$7,000
Remove West Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
Install East Side ADA Curb Ramps on both sides of the bridge.	\$20,000
Estimated Total	\$28,000

13. 000836 – Hart St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install West Side AC Pavement	\$30,000
Remove West Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$2,000
Remove East Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$2,000
Estimated Total	\$34,000

14. 000936 - Arminta St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work		Estimated Costs
Install West Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Remove West Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)		\$2,000
Remove East Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)		\$2,000
Install East Side ADA Curb Ramp		\$10,000
Replace concrete at East Side Entrance		\$2,000
Clear shrubs and replace fence		\$10,000
E	stimated Total	\$36,000

15. 000932 – Valerio St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Please note that the tunnel is currently closed.	
Install West Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Remove West Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$3,000
Remove fence if access is to be restored	\$1,000
Clear shrubs and replace fence	\$3,000
Place cold mix asphalt to assist with step at bridge	\$4,000
Remove East Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$3,000
Install East Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Estimated Total	\$34,000

16. 000988 – Arminta St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install West Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Remove West Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$2,000
Place cold mix asphalt to assist with steps at bridge	\$8,000
Remove East Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$2,000
Install East Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Clear Shrubs	\$500
Estimated Total	\$32,500

17. 000980 - Glade Ave Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install South Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$10,000
Remove South Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
Remove North Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$5,000
Estimated Tot	al \$16,000

18. 001030 – Kittridge St Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install East Side ADA Curb Ramp on both sides of street and replace concrete	\$20,000
Remove East Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
Place cold mix asphalt to assist with step at bridge	\$4,000
Remove West Side Steel Bollard (USACE Approval Required)	\$1,000
Replace broken concrete	\$5,000
Estimated Total	\$31,000

19. 000758 – Doman Ave Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Install East Side ADA Curb Ramp on both sides of street and replace concrete as needed	\$20,000
Install West Side ADA Curb Ramp	\$5,000
Estimated Total	\$25,000

20. 000623 - Wilbur Ave Pedestrian Bridge Improvements

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Existing conditions to remain	-
Estimated Total	-

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FISCAL IMPACT

The following table includes a summary cost estimate for the recommended improvements. Funding could potentially be provided from funds such as Measure R, Measure M, Gas Tax, or the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program (SB1).

Proposed Work	Estimated Costs
Utility Coordination, Planning & Design	\$150,000
Construction	\$593,100
Contingency (25%)	\$148,275
Total Estimated Costs	\$891,375
	(\$900,000 Rounded)

Respectfully submitted,

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City Engineer

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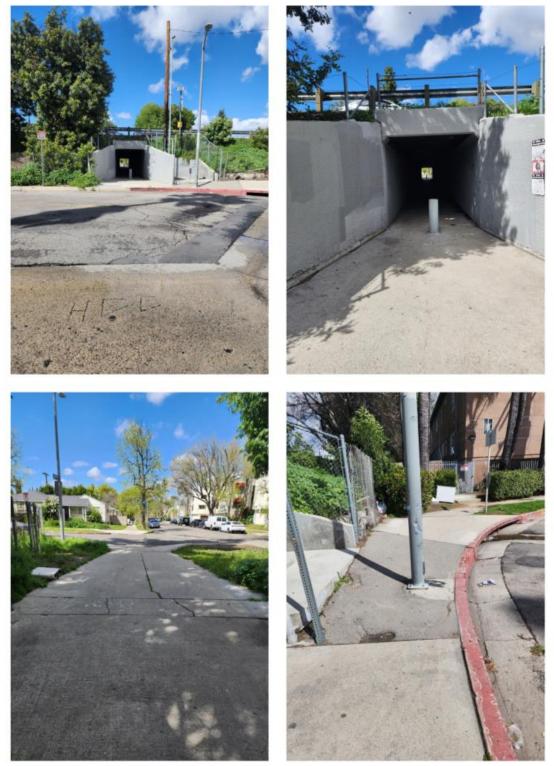
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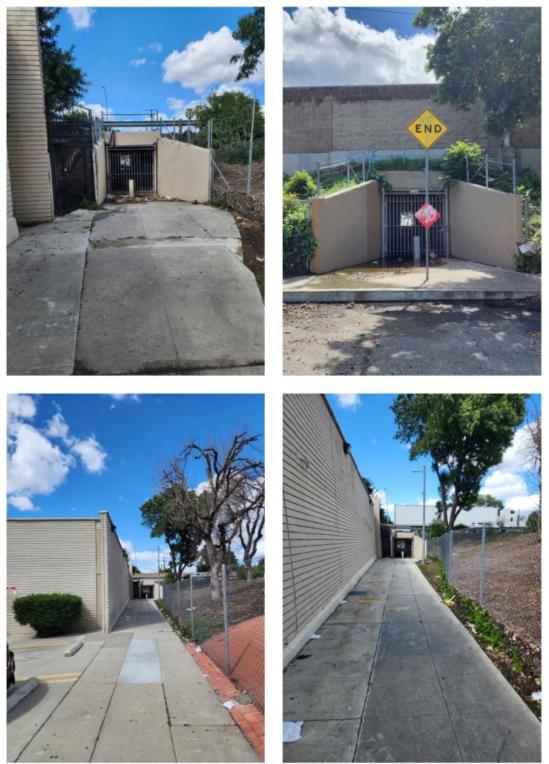
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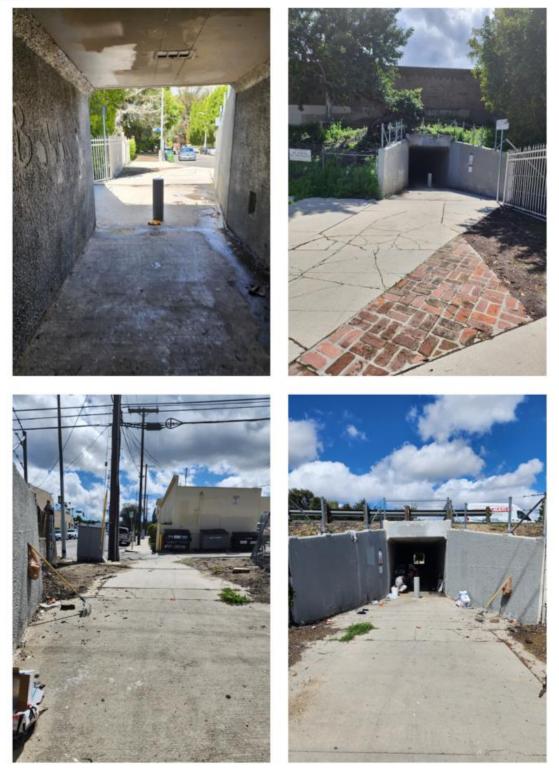
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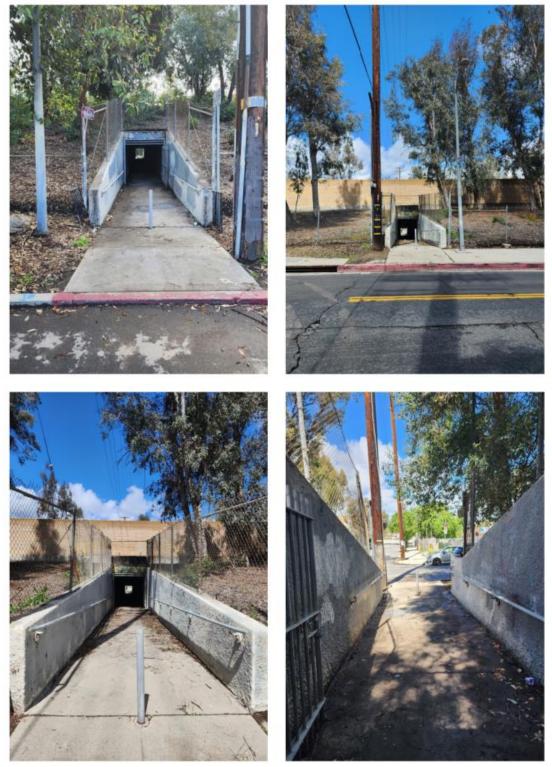
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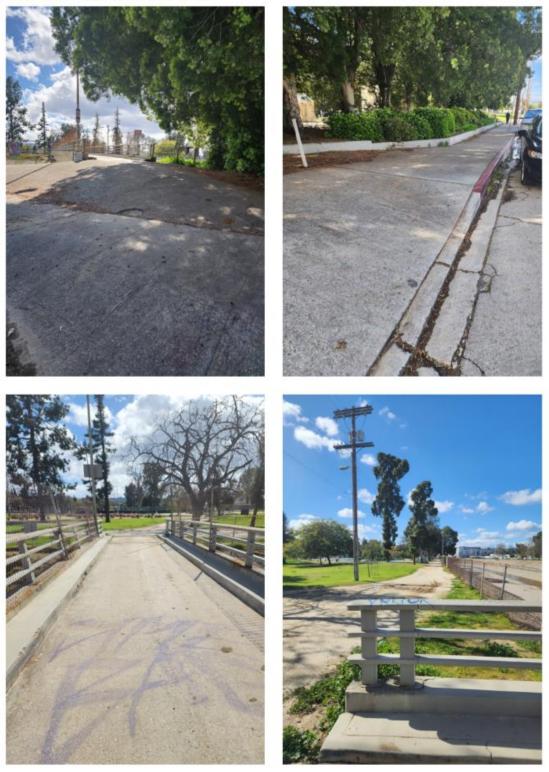
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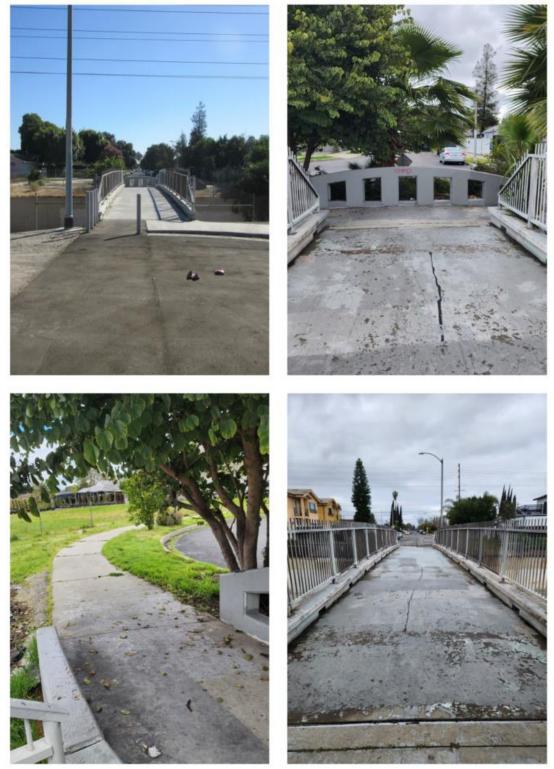
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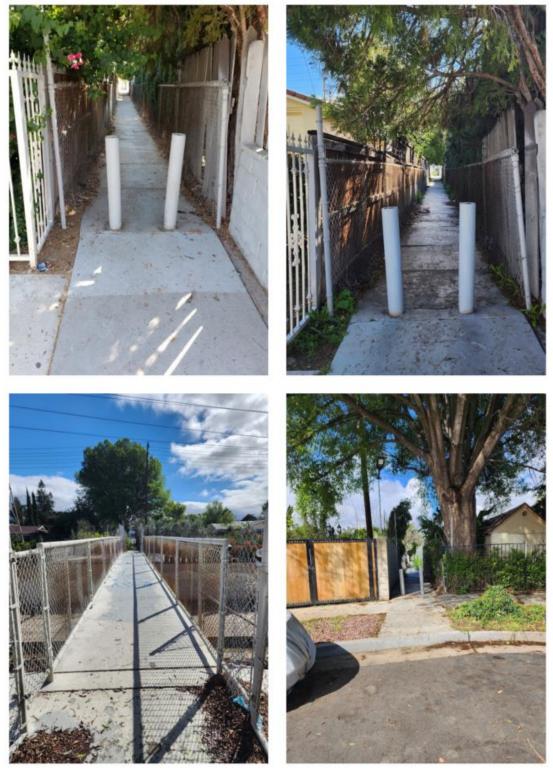
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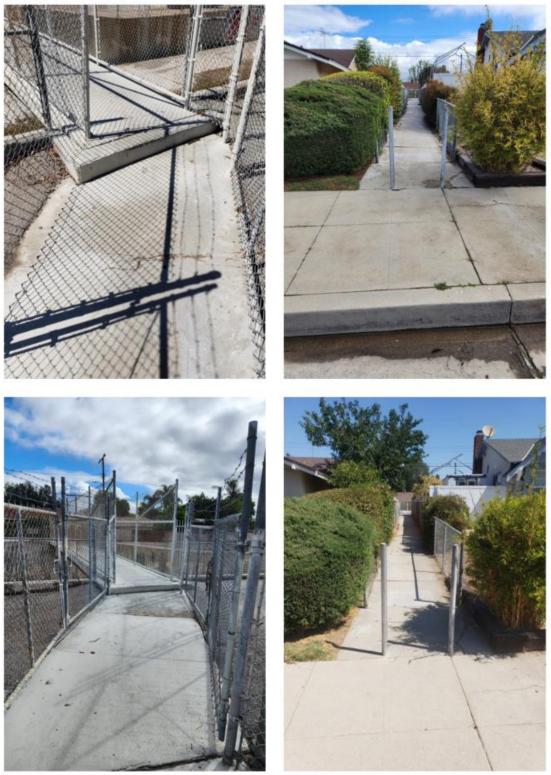
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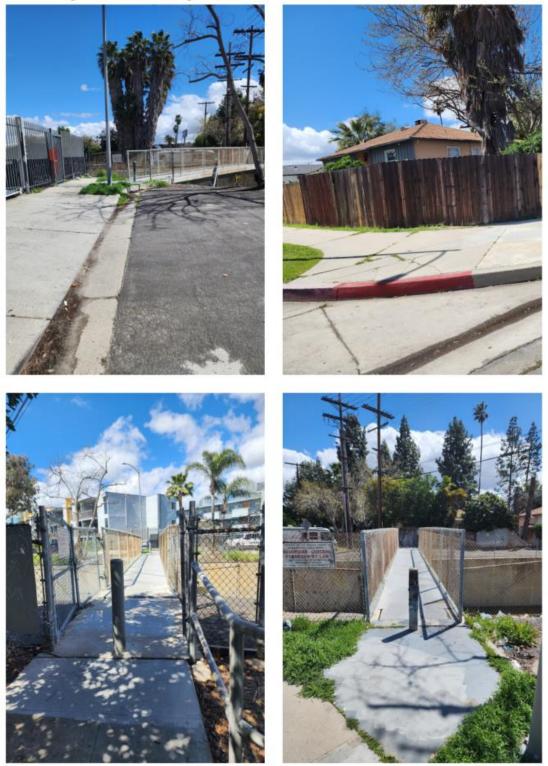
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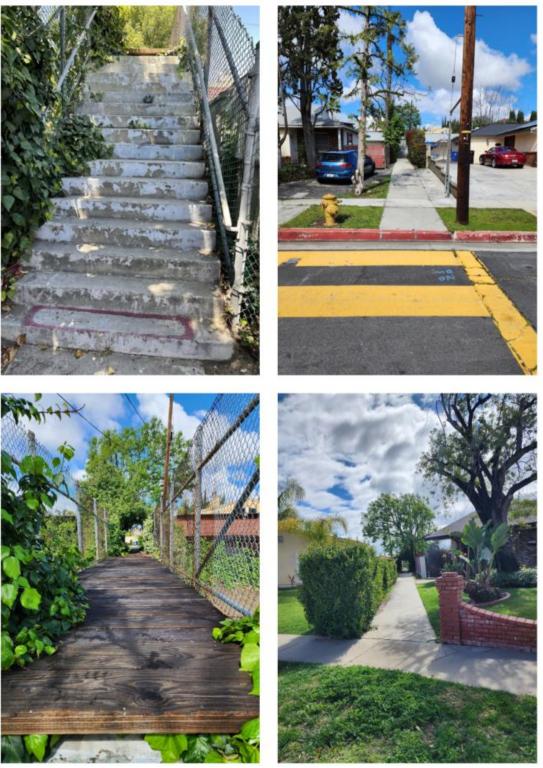
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