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## Council File 19-0092 and CEQA Appeal for Venice Boulevard Great Street Project - Finalized Project and Additional Improvements

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Mssrs. Los Angeles City Clerk CPS-LAS,

Making Venice Blvd., one of the only wide East/West corridors, a narrow street makes me wonder what will happen if a major catastrophe happens on the Westside and cars can't get to the Eastside because of traffic jams that happens turning a three lane street into a two lane street. This is what happened in Paradise, CA during their big fire and also what happened in Malibu when people couldn't get out quickly because of the traffic on Pacific Coast Highway.

I strongly support the Westside Los Angeles Neighbors Network's CEQA appeal of the finalization of the Great Streets Venice Blvd. project.

There were many significant concerns raised during the one-year pilot project to support a fair argument that the road diet has had significant impacts upon the environment. Concerns that have not been acknowledged, answered or addressed by LADOT, the Great Streets Initiative, or Councilman Bonin's office.

So how can the City of Los Angeles make this project permanent without an environmental review? How can the City go back on its promise made in March 2018 that: "If it (Great Streets Venice Blvd) is made permanent, there will be an environmental assessment and accompanying public process."

Please rectify this error by granting the CEQA appeal brought before you by the Westside LA Neighbors Network.

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