



Public Comment: Advocacy for Infrastructure Enhancements – Harbor Gateway North (Gardena Blvd Focus) – Council File 26-0600

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Dear Honorable Members of the Budget and Finance Committee,

I am writing as a concerned stakeholder of the **Harbor Gateway North (HGN) community** to advocate for the prioritization and funding of critical infrastructure enhancements, specifically along **Gardena Boulevard**. Please include these comments in the official record for **Council File 26-0600**.

For years, the Harbor Gateway North community—and Gardena Boulevard in particular—has suffered from systemic neglect. Our infrastructure has not seen significant updates in decades, resulting in deteriorating streetscapes that fail to meet the needs of a modern, growing community. This continued neglect hampers our potential and overlooks a vital corridor in Los Angeles.

Documentation of Proposed Enhancements

Based on the proposals and revitalization initiatives discussed in 2025, the following enhancements for Gardena Boulevard are essential:

- **Façade Improvement & Design Palette:** Implementation of a cohesive professional paint, awning, and signage program to revitalize the commercial corridor.
- **Pedestrian-Oriented Infrastructure:** Upgrading street frontages and sidewalk connectivity to transform the area into a safe, walkable environment.
- **Public Safety & Sanitation:** Immediate installation of high-quality lighting and security cameras to deter illegal dumping and improve security for residents and business owners.
- **Green Space & Environmental Buffers:** Development of pocket parks and landscaped buffers to mitigate the industrial impact on the neighborhood.

Request for Timeline: I respectfully request a clear, public timeline for the commencement and completion of these projects to ensure these plans move beyond the proposal stage.

Economic Impact: A Strategic Gateway

These upgrades are more than beautification; they are crucial to the economy. Harbor Gateway North's proximity to the **Port of Los Angeles** means that city investments will create jobs and improve infrastructure.

By aggressively advocating for these updates, the City will:

1. **Attract Logistics Leaders:** Modernized infrastructure will encourage logistics companies, distributors, and manufacturers to invest in HGN, creating high-value jobs for local residents.
2. **Supporting Sectors:** Improved roads and safety directly benefit the retailers and manufacturers that form the backbone of our local economy.
3. **Leverage Port Proximity:** Upgrading this corridor allows the city to capture more of the economic growth generated by the nation's busiest port.

We need the Committee to allocate sufficient resources in the upcoming budget to upgrade Gardena Boulevard, ensuring it no longer remains overlooked and can evolve with the community's future.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ron Robinson