

Title: Alley Reconstruction and Resurfacing, Westchester, Ca.	Item No.
Meeting Date: September 5, 2017	
Agendized By: NCWP Government Affairs/ City Services Committee	
Contact Person: Mark Redick	Phone Number:
Committee Vote (if appropriate): Unanimous	
Does this item have a fiscal impact on the Neighborhood Council? Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	
Additional documents attached? Yes <u>X</u> No ___ Letter	

RECOMMENDATION:

The alley bounded by Ramsgate Avenue (West), Reading Avenue (East), Reading Avenue (North) and Morley Street (South) is reconstructed and resurfaced.

BACKGROUND:

For several years the aforementioned alley has experienced decline and degradation. Efforts of repair, in the form of pothole filling have been insufficient to address the continued deterioration of the alley itself. Use of the alley by the residents has not been without problems; Motor vehicles and bicycles have experienced flat tires and other damages, one including a broken car axel. Recently one resident injured themselves when they slipped into a rut in the alley. Also noted by several of the affected residents is that City resource (refuse/recycle) trucks have experienced problems navigating this alley as well.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Los Angeles has established a policy of not resurfacing alleys as a general rule. However, it has been advised by CD 11 that an alley may be resurfaced in lieu of a street, should such a need occur. While neighborhood street parking is available, it is rather scarce. During the 1950's and 1960's, the neighborhood described was primarily composed of 2, 3 and 4 unit dwellings. More recently, however, several larger multi-unit properties have been developed in the area, vastly reducing accessible street parking. This has resulted in the residents of both Reading and Ramsgate Avenues to rely on alley-accessed garages and parking spaces for their vehicles.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

ATTACHMENTS:

Letter

MOTION:

That the Neighborhood Council:

In recognition of the poor condition of the alley bounded by Ramsgate Avenue (West), Reading Avenue (East), Reading Avenue (North) and Morley Street (South), the NCWP urges the Council Office and Bureau of Street Service to move forward with the reconstruction and resurfacing of the aforementioned area, as quickly as possible.