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10.26.10 Motion Recommendations and Motion:

MOTION ON FOOD TRUCKS ON ABBOT KINNEY:

Whereas Venice Coastal Zone parking suffers from ongoing and increasing congestion, and

Whereas multiple ongoing and new causes of Abbot Kinney parking and traffic congestion have been explored and identified, and

Whereas unregulated Valet Parking negatively affects both the Abbot Kinney business area and Los Angeles at large, and

Whereas the incursion of food trucks on Abbot Kinney brings both welcome and unwelcome impacts, and

Whereas existing regulations fail to provide the neighborhood with the intended protections regarding public safety, parking and quality of life, in part because County Health Department enforcement is currently unavailable during the prime hours of Food Truck operations on Abbot Kinney Boulevard,

We therefore move that the Venice Neighborhood Council Board of Officers approve the following Recommendations, Community Impact Statement and letter to CD11 Councilmember Rosendahl, members of the City Council, Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, City Attorney Carmen Trutanich and LA County Supervisor Yaroslavsky:





Venice Neighborhood Council recommends:

- 1) Strictly enforcing relevant Los Angeles Municipal and County Codes.
- Supporting Los Angeles County Health Department's newly-enacted ordinance for Food Truck letter grading.
- Supporting the Los Angeles Police Department in enforcing public safety laws which prohibit any business from causing, directly or indirectly, unsafe pedestrian activity to take place on a street.
- 4) Reviewing the impact of Food Truck operations which add to existing parking and traffic congestion, and crafting new regulation to require accountability for impacts including increased intensity of use of the public right-of-way.
- 5) Informing Abbot Kinney businesses that privately contracting with Food Trucks to reserve public street parking in exchange for fees or services is contrary to the "spirit of community" expected and enjoyed in Venice.
- 6) Where a private location is used to host one or more Food Trucks, regulating the location's patron capacity to ensure public safety.
- 7) Where a private location is used to host one or more Food Trucks in or near a residential area, requiring signage near the property perimeter, in obvious, plain sight, advising patrons to consider the noise impact on residential neighbors and citing pertinent noise ordinances.
- 8) Where a public location is used to host multiple Food Trucks, requiring enough space between trucks to prevent a public safety hazard, as determined by appropriate governmental bodies.
- 9) Where a public location is used to host a Food Truck, requiring a permit process, with income distributions to include the Venice Coastal Zone Parking Impact Fund.





- 10) Where a public location is used to host a Food Truck, requiring smoke, grease, noise, odor and trash impacts to be managed in order to prevent material impact on adjacent businesses and residences.
- 11) Including Venice Neighborhood Council's recommendations with Los Angeles City Council's efforts to address Food Truck and Valet Parking impacts.



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MOTION ON VALET PARKING ON ABBOT KINNEY:

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Venice Neighborhood Council recommends:

- 1) Strictly enforcing relevant Los Angeles Municipal and County Codes.
- 2) Implementing an Abbot Kinney consolidated valet parking program.
- Encouraging continuing communications among representatives of Abbot Kinney business owners, patrons, affected residents and the Venice Neighborhood Council, with the goal of producing additional mutually-beneficial initiatives,
- Implementing a Parking and Traffic study to assess current and future needs for Abbot Kinney and the surrounding area, including documentation of existing valet parking inventory.
- 5) Encouraging implementation of an Abbot Kinney Business Improvement District to develop community-serving business activity management policies such as enforcement of existing laws pertaining to public health and safety.