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MISCIKOWSKI CALLS FOR DESIGN GUIDELINES ALONG LINCOLN BOULEVARD

Los Angeles City Councilwoman Cindy Miscikowski has called for a new Community Design Overlay District (CDO) on Lincoln Boulevard in Venice. The new CDO will improve Lincoln's appearance by setting design guidelines for new developments on the street.

"I introduced this motion because Lincoln is so important to Venice and the City that we can't afford to ignore its appearance any longer," said Councilwoman Miscikowski. "Lincoln Boulevard has needed design standards for years."

The motion calls for the Planning Department to develop the CDO following a series of public hearings and community involvement, and implement the CDO on a priority basis. It also directed the Planning Department to report back in 90 days with a progress update.

"We can't ignore the development around us," said Councilwoman Miscikowski, "but we can, working together, develop rigorous design standards to ensure that each new development is a positive contribution."

The development of the design overlay will work in tandem with the Lincoln Corridor Task Force's upcoming plans to alleviate the street's traffic troubles, and builds on community efforts to create a design vision for Lincoln. The Councilwoman concluded: "With the Task Force's plans, and thanks to the Venice Community Coalition's devoted work, this overlay district will create the kind of community-oriented, pedestrian-friendly designs that we all visualize for Lincoln Boulevard."

The City Council will consider the motion in early January.