

Councilman Bill Rosendahl of the City of Los Angeles Room 415, City Hall 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012

REGARDING:

Ordinance Amending Section 80.73(B) Of Division N Of Chapter Viii Of The Los Angeles Municipal Code Relating To The Parking Of Catering Trucks In The City Of Los Angeles

Council File No. 99-2170

Dear Councilman Rosendahl,

The Venice Neighborhood Council would like to express our opposition to the heavy-handed changes made to the Municipal Code relating to the parking of catering truck in Los Angeles. These trucks are a part of our community and have served our neighborhood for many years.

In particular, La Isla Bonita has been serving the Oakwood/Rose Ave and North Beach communities from its weekend location at 4th Street and Rose Ave for decades/ Forcing La Isla Bonita to move every hour would make it impossible for them to serve these neighborhoods, especially when parking becomes tight in the summer.

Another popular location for catering trucks in Venice is the Pen Mar Park sports field where families enjoy the services of catering trucks during football, soccer and baseball games in the park. Forcing the catering trucks to move after an hour would be a great loss to these community gatherings.

I am sure that in some parts of the city there are problems with catering trucks, but the "one size fits all" solution envisioned by the district attorney has not accounted for the role these trucks play in our community. Please help Venice find a way to keep our local catering trucks operating in their traditional locations and manner. They have served our community well for many years.

Sincerely,

Dede Audet, President Venice Neighborhood Council