

March

Community Disaster Preparedness

WHEREAS the City of Los Angeles has been making great progress in disaster preparedness at the level of city departments and agencies and it is now time to begin the process of training large numbers of city residents so as to have a city capable of effectively responding to any disaster that may befall us. THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council supports the inclusion of \$192,000.00 as a multi-departmental budget item in the 2017-2018 city budget to cover the cost of four staff and related expenses for the preparation of a city-wide disaster preparedness plan.

Vision Zero

WHEREAS, Vision Zero is an international movement to eliminate traffic deaths, based on the philosophy that each death is both unacceptable and preventable. Originating in Sweden, Vision Zero has since been adopted in many cities throughout the United States;

WHEREAS, every year, more than 200 people are killed while trying to move throughout the City of Los Angeles. Nearly half the people killed on City streets are those who were walking or bicycling, and an alarming number of them are children and older adults;

WHEREAS, Vision Zero Los Angeles is the City's commitment to eliminate all traffic deaths by 2025. As directed by Mayor Garcetti, this citywide effort brings together transportation engineers, police officers, advocates, and policymakers to work together towards creating safer streets. Its focus will be protecting our most vulnerable road users, including children, older adults, and people walking and bicycling; and

WHEREAS, in January 2017, the City released its Vision Zero Action Plan (<https://www.joomag.com/magazine/vision-zero-action-plan-2017/0893807001485436685?short>), to identify actions and strategies to implement Vision Zero Los Angeles.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council supports the City's Vision Zero initiative, and the implementation of an action plan.