## WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

August 10, 2022

Agenda Item # 15 (H) 1

## **SUPPORT RE ORDINANCE 187427 (SPEED LIMIT REDUCTIONS)**

## Motion

Refers to City Council file 21-1223

The Westwood Neighborhood Council supports the following position in regards to the recent adoption of Ordinance 187427 regarding speed limit reductions:

- i The Westwood Neighborhood Council supports the action taken by the LA City Council on March 7, 2022 in passing Council File 21-1223 regarding Speed Limit Reductions.
- ii The Westwood Neighborhood Council supports the efforts to reduce the speed limit by 5 MPH on streets that were recently identified for 5 MPH speed limit increases. (See the attached Ordinance number 187427 with the complete list of streets effected.)
- iii Moving forward, it is the suggestion of the Westwood Neighborhood Council that City Council open a Council File to consider that future speed limit reductions be discussed and planned as neighborhood or regional traffic improvements rather than individual street improvements. These improvements should be coupled with measures to minimize vehicle traffic being redirected onto adjacent neighborhood streets. For example, we would like to see LADOT incorporate traffic calming measures and active transportation elements. Traffic calming measures might include compact traffic circles/mini roundabouts, restricted turns, curb extensions/bulb-outs, speed humps and tables, and diagonal diverters, half closures, full closures, and median barriers to reduce cut-through traffic.
- iv In addition, the Westwood Neighborhood Council requests that the Council Offices engage the local Westside Councils in ongoing discussions about what additional streets should be considered for speed limit reductions as well as establish a method whereby Council and stakeholder feedback on this issue can be submitted directly to LADOT.

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