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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Planning Commission Meeting 10/9/24 - MV Right turn lane

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Dear Planning Commission,

I support the applicant's request to eliminate the requirement of a right turn lane from Sepulveda to the 33rd Street mall entrance. Further widening of the Sepulveda conventional vehicle roadway is undesirable for aesthetic, pedestrian, and city identity purposes, leading Sepulveda closer to a "Hawthorne Boulevard scenario". Future needs for increased circulation, if any, should be addressed by methods other than adding conventional cars. Previous Sepulveda right turn lanes at Target, Gelsons, and Panda Express conform to 1990's city guidelines (no alteration to intersections), while those at El Pollo Loco and Skechers created visual awkwardness, and degraded pedestrian conditions at their respective intersections. The latter resulted from Caltrans requirements, but it appears that in this case, Caltrans has a less aggressive, and more appropriate position.

I also assume that sidewalk improvements at the subject Sepulveda/33rd Street corner are unfinished as the pavement remains uneven and awkward.

Thanks for yours and staff's efforts and consideration on this matter,

Eric Haaland

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