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Cardenas Resurrects Van Nuys Boulevard Improvement Initiative
Corridor Team to Explore Revitalization/Transportation Projects

LOS ANGELES- Today, Councilman Tony Cardenas introduced a motion to establish the Van Nuys Boulevard Corridor Coordination Team to develop a comprehensive revitalization plan for one of the Valley's biggest thoroughfares. The team will look at beautification and commercial design plans that will compliment the boulevard and the upcoming transportation projects set to be built along the corridor, including the proposed MTA North-South Orange Line.

The team will also be tasked with seeking additional state funding to enhance Van Nuys Boulevard which traverses the communities of Arleta/ Pacoima, Mission Hills/Panorama City, Sherman Oaks/Studio City/Toluca Lake, and Van Nuys.

"Van Nuys Boulevard is the Valley's premiere commercial and transportation corridor," said Cardenas. "The Van Nuys Boulevard Corridor Team will be committed to developing the boulevard in a way that brings economic growth, beauty, and overall pride associated with the city's must-see neighborhood list."

In 2002, the city established the Van Nuys Boulevard Task Force but disassembled because of the state's budgetary cut backs and scale-back of MTA's Call-for-Projects process. Since new transportation projects are expected due to the availability of more funding, Cardenas felt experts should reconvene to oversee development of local streetscape plans, transit-related improvements, and community theme enhancements.

The team will be established by the Los Angeles Department of City Planning with guidance from Council Districts 2, 6, and 7, the Mayor's Business Team, the Community Redevelopment Agency, the Department of Transportation, and the Department of Public Works.

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