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To: Council Members Cedillo & O'Farrell:

Subject: Status of Dodgers Stadium Scott Avenue Gate And Stadium Traffic Impacts

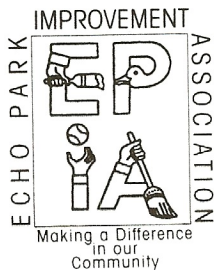
Council Members:

The EPIA wishes to make the following recommendations regarding the status if the Scott Avenue Gate to Dodger Stadium:

The EPIA recommends that the Dodger Stadium Scott Avenue Gate remain closed to stadium entry, as it has over almost 10 years. We believe that opening the gate will cause many unintended problems with the neighborhood and will not change stadium entry times in any way sufficient to justify the cost both in money and community good will. The EPIA also recommends that the gate be open for exit purposes only in games and events with attendance greater than 40,000, again, as has been the practice in the past.

The stated purpose from the Dodgers of opening the Scott Avenue Gate was to relieve traffic from Sunset at the Elysian Gate. If the Dodgers wish to move forward with opening the Scott Avenue Gate for entry to the stadium, we propose the following:

1. We request that the Dodgers immediately produce statistical data on what past stadium entry metrics have been without the Scott Avenue Gate being open, and that this be done before the season opens and the Scott Gate is allowed to open. This data should be provided to the City Council Offices, community leadership, and relevant departments of the City of Los Angeles.
2. 30 Days after the first month of opening the gate to entry, the Dodgers will host an Evaluation Meeting with Council Offices, community leadership, and relevant city departments where the "before" and "after" metrics can be discussed, as well as any other related issues.
3. Additional Recommendations:
 - a. The Dodgers will open any and all gates regardless of time before game when traffic is backed up to the point where it will cause gridlock at the nearest intersection (continued next page)



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- b. The Dodgers will consistently and as much as is reasonably possible take care of Boylston and Solano Residents to mitigate impact on their lives.
4. Additional Ideas for Dodgers to consider:
 - a. Do not rename gates – e.g. Scott gate called Stadium Way Gate.
 - b. Utilize Metro FastPass for parking fees
 - c. Change to an Exit Toll instead of Entry booths, with automated gates.
Allow parking to be paid at automated parking kiosks inside of stadium as well at stadium concession stands.

Thank you for your consideration:

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Cc: Los Angeles Dodgers, LADOT, LAPD