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Hello, my name is Emily Hanna and I'm a resident here in Whittier. I was recently in Uptown with my two young daughters for dinner on Thursday night 5/5/22. While walking from the new parking structure on Comstock to Uptown, there were many packs of skateboarders (of mostly men) riding all over the patio area of Mimo's, the closed area of Greenleaf and the sidewalks, zipping in between the outdoor dining areas. These groups were smoking pot and had large pitbulls with them. I felt very unsafe walking to Pho n' Roll off Philadelphia/ Greenleaf. I did not see any police presence at all during my time there. I would have preferred to park on Greenleaf rather than having to feel worried about my safety and my children's safety walking back to my car afterwards.

What is the city's plan regarding transforming the closed area of Greenleaf? What is the city doing to prohibit any gangs, smoking and dogs in the closed space?

If the city does not have a uniform plan by this point, I would strongly suggest we reopen Greenleaf to through traffic; I believe this would deter skateboarders from taking over the area, and create a safe environment for not only restaurant patrons, but all shoppers as well.

Thank you.

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