# DEL MONTE AVENUE CUL DE SAC

This references the cul de sac at the intersection of Del Monte Avenue and Guizot Street, an area marked on the city's plans as part of a through street. The following outlines significant concerns of the residents living in the area and the public who daily congregate here.

### DISTURBANCE OF THE PEACE

The area has become a daily parking lot for numbers of cars all hours of the day and night. (8/23/2020 Eight cars parked on the unpaved section at 6:00pm, just one example)

Drivers tear in and out, make wheelies, peel out regardless of the hour.

Play loud music that reverberates throughout the immediate area at all hours of the day and night. Residents have to approach drivers to ask them to respect the community by turning down the volume of their music.

Fireworks deployed

### **HEALTH HAZARD**

People park and live out of their cars, sometimes for several days

Trash is regularly thrown on the ground to which children and visitors are subjected:

Used condoms
Bags of old food
Syringes and needles
Used Fireworks

People urinate and defecate in the cul de sac and in bushes of residents' property; residents have to clean up the area.

Residents who have asthma and other respiratory illnesses are having to live with their windows or door closed due to large amounts of dust and debris being dispersed when cars pull in and out.

#### **COMMUNITY SAFETY**

The lot is an identified place for drug deals (ref. Del Monte/Guizot Lookout)

Daily, deals are being scored here

People threatening others with guns have been reported to the police multiple times

Car sex is common.

Residents have to confront people in their cars who are creating disturbances.

Residents have to call 911 or San Diego Police frequently to report Crimes in Progress

Residents have spoken to members of San Diego Law Enforcement who agree crime has decreased with the street closed to Vehicular traffic

## **QUALITY OF LIFE**

This lookout, for decades, has been used as a public park: a place to congregate to enjoy the view corridor, watch sunsets, check out the surf. While it has much to offer, It has long been a problem for the residents of the neighborhood, their children, and the public who come to enjoy the area. The noise, the filth, and the dangers created by the above issues make it a daily stressor due to the threats created by people using the area for a public parking lot.

Several weeks ago, residents attempted to restrict cars by placing flexible barriers, then boulders across the street access. And until the City removed those barriers the above-mentioned problems were eliminated. The residents are requesting that the City work with them to find a legal and permanent solution to the unacceptable issues.

There is a Strong Consensus that the area should be closed to Vehicular Traffic other than Emergency Vehicles and become a Pedestrian Only area.