Background: The Bloc is a reimagined 1973 Charles Luckman designed 1.8 million sf mixed use project located on the entire block between Flower Street and Hope Street and 7th Street and 8th Street.

As part of the on-going efforts to revitalize the 7<sup>th</sup> Street retail frontage and as a convenience to the DTLA residents, workers and tourists The Bloc ownership has undertaken developing a complete Mobility Hub on site offering a variety of transit options that are easily accessible from the Metro Portal which is the first portal of its kind to enter directly into the retail square of the project.

As part of the Bloc Link mobility hub The Bloc has applied for and received a Passenger Loading Zone (PLZ) on 7<sup>th</sup> Street (which is currently designated as a ride share pick up and drop off zone and will be painted as such later this month.)

## **The Bloc LINK:**

The Bloc LINK, DTLA's Mobility Hub, is centrally located knitting together the Los Angeles region while engaging transportation in a social setting. By transitioning from mobility to marketplace, The Bloc is an access point to changing the culture of how one moves around the city. By providing its visitors safety and security, it is the most comforting location for multi-modal transit in Los Angeles.

As part of this The Bloc Link the Ratkovich Company and the owners, National Real Estate Advisors, have applied for a parklet through the People Street program. The parklet will be self-funded and has received wide support from the surrounding building owners, businesses and residents' (CD 14, Central City Association, The Counter, Gjulia's and 655 Hope Street Condominium support letters attached.)

## The Bloc Street Seats Parklet:

The Bloc Street Seats Parklet, a key element in The Bloc LINK, is a transition to 7th Street from The Bloc, creating a human scaled space along the streetscape. Their primary purpose is to serve Angelenos using multiple modes of transit including rideshare services and those traveling by bike.

The seats will include countertops in direct view of the passenger loading zone, as well as a couple of bench seats to accommodate longer wait times. In addition, the space will provide bike parking for 20+ bikes to provide visitors with accessible, short-term public bike parking.

## Request of DCNC:

As part of the People's Street Program the Bloc is coming to the Downtown Neighborhood Council for your support of our Bloc Link parklet application.