

Down in Hollywood

Ry Cooder

Well, did you hear the good news ?
There's gonna be some bad blues
Somebody said they're playing all night long
So go and fill your brown bag and put on all your clean rags
Let's go downtown and see what's going on
You take me down the Vine Street
Stop when you hear the back beat
And I'll sneak past the bounccer at the door
Now I know that he ain't looking
Not when the band is cooking
Because he's watching the ladies dancing on the floor
Going down in Hollywood
You better hope that you don't run out of gas
Down in Hollywood
He'll drag you right out of your car and kick your ass
Down in Hollywood
They're standing on a corner waiting for a sucker like you
Down in Hollywood
Now, if you want to stay healthy just keep a-moving right on through
Be careful, don't look back, keep moving, keep moving
Well, the scotch has started flowing
And some girls she is showing everything she's got
Folks, it's a sight!
Some men will give a week's pay if she would just dance down their way and say
";Baby, I'm gonna take you home with me tonight";
Outside the streets is shaking and I hear the windows breaking
Some poor fool's gonna land in jail tonight
Well, all those hookers trying to pull your coat and the pimps reach out to cut your throat
Ain't no way out of here without a fight
(What's that fool saying ?)
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Voice of gay male: ";Hi. You know that you're going to get arrested the way that those pants fir around your thighs. Oh, come back honey! Don't leave now.";

Voice of pimp: ";Hey, bud. Come here, let me talk to you for a second. Give me that";
";Cops coming";

Voice of policeman (Ry): ";869 Victor."; [radio code] ";Jesus, this guy's a mess";

Voice of other cop: ";Well, he's just drunk. Come on, pick him up, put him in the car and take him downtown";

Well, his mama told him not to go

Little sister told him too

But the poor boy just didn't listen

Like he should have, that's too bad

He hitchhiked all the way from Burbank

Now, he's gonna end up in drunk tank

Some old man say, ";Yeah, well, that's just the way it goes down in Hollywood";

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For truth! Man, I'm telling you

Well, they'll do anything down in that low-down Hollywood

He'll be in a world of trouble now

Lord, have mercy

Can I get a witness

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