

Communication from Public

Name: Rebecca

Date Submitted: 04/29/2019 07:16 PM

Council File No: 00-9999

Comments for Public Posting: Rideshares: The Most Dangerous Apps in the World and Scooters Spin, Bird, and Jump have all put multiple scooters on the corner of Adams and Vermont in front of Ralphs Grocery store. The dozen of them are all very close to falling over in the street at this busy high speed intersection. These scooters will be dangerous for USC students to ride back to their dorms with groceries. No one can carry a bag of groceries safely on these scooters. The scooters are on a corner where there are often homeless people walking by with shopping carts stolen from Ralphs. I see the collision of the future and dread hearing on the news that someone died from a scooter in the street. Please regulate transportation. Lyft and Uber are allowing passengers to text drivers while they are driving. Plus Lyft and Uber are sending drivers promotional texts while they are driving. I am very sure the Lyft and Uber apps are causing drivers to tap multiple times which is causing drivers to break California's 2017 Distracted Driving Law which bans doubletap apps. Passengers are calling Lyft and Uber drivers on a widescale from dangerous intersections, illegal bus stops, and by signs that read 'do not stop'. Lyft and Uber apps direct the drivers to stop at these dangerous locations or be penalized with cancelation ratings that could deactivate them. People beep and beep and beep at these Lyft and Uber drivers who have stopped wherever the passenger has requested (dangerous or not). Passengers are hailing drivers while drivers are on highways and fast moving streets, causing drivers to look away from the road and at their app for long periods of time. I am very sure the California 2017 Distracted Driving Law was created to stop exactly what the Lyft and Uber app do to drivers. The scooter and the rideshare problems are related in that scooter companies put their scooters up anywhere and rideshare companies allow requests to be made from anywhere even dangerous locations such as busy fast moving streets with no stopping signs. Anywhere sounds convenient but this convenience comes at the cost of safe and efficient roadways. Can't the City of Los Angeles restrict the zones where rideshares can stop/start and zones where scooters can be placed? Except for people with disabilities and pregnant or sick people I see no reason why Lyft, Uber, and Bird, Jump and Spin among the other companies should be able to stop anywhere they please. The rideshare companies are encouraging

drivers with 130 ride a week bonus to drive all around the city for sometimes 14 hours a day to meet a ridiculously high ride number for bonuses. If each ride averages 20 minutes multiply that by 130 to see how many hours drivers are circling the city a week not including the time they are driving around looking for passengers. Pollution is increasing with their high bonus ride requirements. Less people are taking the bus and instead going rideshare. Ask USC how many free Lyft rides its students have done this year and you will find why pollution in LA is getting worse. Each student has 7 hours of unlimited rides from Lyft each night. They no longer take the bus. Hundreds of thousands of rides are being taken that would have otherwise been shuttle or bus passengers. If rideshare companies and scooter companies can't abide by the law by creating safe apps and transport, maybe the government should take over . The roadways maybe safer if the government ran rideshare in Los Angeles the way the federal government runs the airports. Transportation may be to dangerous for private companies to do without a stricter government presence.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 05/02/2019 09:51 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please repair and repave La Cienega Blvd (from Olympic Blvd to the 10 freeway entrance). It is littered with huge pot holes and enormous cracks. It's a hazard. Gas tax was increased to repair roads, yet roads are not being repaired.

Communication from Public

Name: West LA Resident - Sawtelle Area

Date Submitted: 05/06/2019 06:18 PM

Council File No: 00-9999

Comments for Public Posting: I am very unhappy about Mike Bonin giving Uber/Jump Bikes a permit to operate as they please in West LA. I live on a residential street of multi-family units and Uber has designated the sidewalk in front of my residence as a hub for them to park up to 10 bicycles. Basically Uber has been given permission to run a business less than 15' from my bedroom window. Uber employees continuously park their large vans illegally in the red zone and blocking my driveway while they noisily load/unload bikes. They do this at all hours of the day and mostly late at night through dawn hours. I am woken up by their noise. Uber does not have a way to contact them about this problem. Their phone operators have "taken down the information" but nothing has been done. The app gives the public the chance to complain if a bike/scooter is blocking the sidewalk, but no other option to report an issue. The City Council needs to do something as soon as possible. It is completely unreasonable to give anyone a permit to run their business in front of a residence that is disruptive and operates 24 hrs a day. These bikes should be parked in a commercial zone in proper racks!

Communication from Public

Name: Rebecca

Date Submitted: 05/08/2019 09:36 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I want to add to my public comment about the dangers of scooters and rideshares this photo taken near the CVS on Figueroa Street near USC. The photo is of a USC student on a Spin Scooter during the Dodgers Game during USC's finals week. He is preparing to cross street on a scooter wearing sandals with a case of beer. It's very dangerous to carry groceries on scooters. What if he dropped the beer all over the street? If he has glass bottles it could be very dangerous if they break. Placing scooters near grocery stores and bars is dangerous. Figueroa Street and Vermont by USC has around four dozen scooters laying around. They are not safe for intoxicated students to ride and not safe to carry groceries on. See attached pdf photos.



Communication from Public

Name: Morley Helfand
Date Submitted: 05/15/2019 11:15 AM
Council File No: 00-9999

Comments for Public Posting: When riding the Metro Gold Line into downtown Los Angeles I can't help but notice a large abandoned building at 421 North Avenue 19, with its broken windows and unsightly tagging. This property is an eyesore, but why can't it be modified to house many, many homeless people? The building looks like a very solid structure and looks like it become a useful property, helping the homeless, and clearing somewhat all the people who need shelter.

Communication from Public

Name: Traz Co

Date Submitted: 05/16/2019 01:44 PM

Council File No: 00-9999

Comments for Public Posting: THE CITY OF LA demands the fund allocated by its voters to be dispersed in the benefit of the community, in a speedy manner, as it has been intended. 25% of all cannabis revenue, and truthfully if it's council-willing, all of the revenue should be allocated for community reinvestment. The community suffered for too long and will still be suffering long after these take effect but to the least of our conscience we must make it right in whatever capacity. 25% is an underwhelming amount to begin to solve the damage but is an attainable and reasonable mand from your council. As stated in the reports done by Equity First and UFCW, many programs can use these funds for the betterment of the community as outlined. Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name: Linda Pearl
Date Submitted: 05/26/2019 10:46 AM
Council File No: 00-9999
Comments for Public Posting: Please, please, ban the billboards. Hollywood is looking like Times Square. Enough is enough.

Communication from Public

Name: Rebecca

Date Submitted: 05/24/2019 05:52 PM

Council File No: 00-9999

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, Unattended scooters are blocking wheelchair access to Los Angeles City sidewalks on a daily basis. Attached is a pdf of photos taken today May 24th 2019 of a Jump Scooter blocking the sidewalk on Mariposa and 7th in Koreatown and a Lime Scooter blocking wheelchair access on the corner of Figueroa and 22nd near USC. Today, I also saw undocked unsupervised private company rental bikes blocking sidewalk access, (but for safety reasons did not stop to take a photo). People in wheelchairs have a right to have equal access to the sidewalk. When scooter and bike rental companies do not provide an official area for scooters and have them securely locked in place, the scooters are daily ending up in the main passageways of wheelchairs. People in wheelchairs can not ride these companies' standup scooters. Why do these scooters have more rights to the sidewalks than people in wheelchairs? How can a person in a wheelchair pass these scooters safely without accidentally knocking them down? Does the City of Los Angeles Transportation Department and City Council grant free access to the scooter companies at the expense of disabled people losing their wheelchair access on a daily basis? It is random each day which corner a wheelchair will turn down and not be able to pass safely because of a scooter blocking access. Each day the misplacement of scooters change from block to block. Wheelchairs can not turn the corner without fear that wheelchair access will be blocked on the sidewalks leading to supermarkets, places of employment, and other businesses. It is embarrassing for disabled people to not have clear access to public walkways as they once did. The sheer number of thousands of scooters and bike rentals without a secure location is causing a safety crisis. Please stop allowing these scooter companies to freely allow their scooters to be left in unzoned areas such as sidewalks without being locked in an out of the way position. These scooters are NOT locked safely from disability access ways such as sidewalks when they are unattended. All unattended scooters must be locked down to avoid blocking wheelchair access to the public sidewalks. Rebecca



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Name: Matt Fisher

Date Submitted: 06/04/2019 04:44 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Matt Fisher and I have 25 years of experience and research with homelessness in Los Angeles. 15 of those were spent on the street myself as a runaway from abusive foster care. I now strive to help in every way possible. I recently ran for Venice neighborhood council, still not sure who won, either way I am volunteering to help with a new homeless committee there, hoping to help everyone understand the actual problems through experience and how to address them better. As for lamc 85.02, it is considered a direct violation of our 8th amendment, taking cruel and unusual punishment to a whole new level. Vehicle dwelling near parks have become a necessity because of the cities removal of all other options to park in reasonable locations. Vehicle dwellers need water and public bathrooms along with open parking without hourly restrictions in order to survive. There are no options in our community because of parking restrictions and city refusal to allow services to vehicle dwellers. It has gotten so bad that the police and parking enforcement are illegally ticketing and towing to intentionally put people on the street without cause, city maintenance workers spray people sleeping with pesticides and retaliate against reports with Park rangers trying to enforce 85.02, the police refuse to do anything but harass people into leaving while they put entire encampments on the metro train in South LA and send them to Venice intentionally adding to the numbers on the street. There has been an unfair attack on vehicle dwellers for too long, you are intentionally trying to put people on the street with ordinances like this, all while making civil rights violations seem legal, and they most certainly are not. We are in a state of emergency intentionally set up by this city and you are only creating more homelessness with these actions. It's time to not only stop pretending to help, but to actually do something that will help everyone. Please keep 85.02 on the books but not enforceable until otherwise constitutional. Please stop police harassment and attempted enforcement. I understand the trouble and cost of getting ordinances passed and the fact with sufficient shelter, housing and applicable compromises we can use the ordinance at a later date when other options exist if needed. Please consider all ordinances with vehicle dwellers the same as you would with people living on the street since both are considered homeless, and according to our

constitution, we have a been continuously oppressed by this in a sanctuary City no less. None of this is helping people succeed in life and you can't say you are trying to help by continually hurting. Please stop these backwards tactics and continuous ignoring of complaints. Please stop this retaliation, discrimination and unconstitutional behavior at once.

Communication from Public

Name: Ron schoen

Date Submitted: 06/11/2019 08:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: We can't allow cars to park illegally for weeks without the ability for police to do anything

Communication from Public

Name: J. Ross

Date Submitted: 06/11/2019 08:31 PM

Council File No: 00-9999

Comments for Public Posting: Public comment on Sign Ordinance (unsure of CF number, there are many on the Clerk's website) The Sign Ordinance shall protect us residents first, not be a bailout for sign companies, who care only about profit. Houston bans billboards completely. Commercial advertising is not protected by the 1st Amendment in any way, so ignore their lawyers. Billboards, especially digital, are public health hazards: 1. They distract drivers and directly lead to car crashes. Your EIR must include proper analysis of this. 2. Light at night time prevents good sleep. That prevents the brain and body from healing at night, and creates mental instability and aggression. That leads to crime and higher healthcare and policing costs. Your EIR must include proper analysis of this. 3. Birds and other animals have their sleep cycles disrupted, which harms their reproductive cycles and overall health. Your EIR Habitat section must include proper analysis of this. 4. The takedown ratio should be 10 to 1, not a lower figure like 5 to 1 or 2 to 1 This ensures that unpermitted signs will be removed. 5. No signs should be allowed in public parks. They are nature and beauty preserves, and provide needed relief from chaos, blight, congestion and noise in the city. 6. Relocation / takedown of signs should be half in the nearby vicinity of Sign Districts, and half in areas away from Sign Districts. If you don't mandate takedowns in far away from Sign Districts, those areas never will have a decrease in signs. 7. No amnesty for existing unpermitted signs. 8. All digital signs must turn off between 8:00 pm and 7:00 am, to allow for sleep for residents. Downtown and Hollywood have many residences in their Sign Districts or close to them, and they will suffer from disrupted sleep and health problems. 9. No new Digital Sign Districts should be grandfathered in unless those districts have already undergone CEQA review and approval. Herb Wesson and other city councilmen tried to create paper districts in the past years, in advance of this grandfathering clause. Wesson put ALL of Koreatown into a proposed Sign District, which is a joke. 10. The maximum candlepower for digital billboards should be 0.25 candlepower at all times of the day. During the day, digital signs are illuminated extremely high, because they are more difficult to see. 11. Sign restrictions in Specific Plans should trump the new Sign Ordinance. Don't de-fang our Specific Plans, that's a sure way to lose political support at election time. 12. The only Sign

Districts should be in Regional Centers as designated in the General Plan as of today. 13. Signs should not be allowed in C zones, as Huizar and Englander proposed. The CUP process will approve every one of them. The city can make findings in any case to justify a sign, and that it has no impact, which is wholly false.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/19/2019 02:10 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: To solve homelessness: Build rail. And tall dense housing near rail. Homelessness is mostly about mental illness, we have to force treatment. Letting them live like animals sleeping on sidewalks is bad for them and bad for us. Put a full support campus and methadone clinic on inexpensive land outside the city. There's less NIMBY opposition and because there's more land it can scale up as the rest of the country continues to send homeless to CA. Its already working in Texas:
<https://www.ksat.com/news/haven-for-hope-becomes-model-for-other-cities-including-las-vegas>
<https://mlf.org/community-first/> No more "tenant protections" that make it impossible to evict. Along with rent controls, this discourages building of rental housing. No landlord ever wants to evict a good tenant. Not all people can afford LA. Thats why you build rail out to cheaper areas. Thank you!

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Name:

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Comments for Public Posting: Well done

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Name: Peter Sweerman
Date Submitted: 06/25/2019 09:24 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: My comment is in support of the City Council Resolution TY,
Peter

Communication from Public

Name: Jose Lopez

Date Submitted: 06/25/2019 03:56 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: In public affairs, Individuals in the Los Angeles community are very diverse community. I want to make a statement about the homeless community and the low-income community. Prices are going up and theirs a lot of individuals, who are low-income and some of those individuals can't pay the rent for the housing water supplies probably gas too. Cause gas prices are rising up and most of the individuals are low-income. And the homeless population are rising up to 16% and Los Angeles is the third homeless rate in the united states. What are you guys gonna do about the homeless population, what are we gonna do about mental ill homeless population, are we gonna give them free healthcare.
<https://www.latimes.com/politics/la-pol-ca-housing-crisis-podcast-la-homelessness-surge-20190624-story.html>

Communication from Public

Name: Peter
Date Submitted: 07/12/2019 10:51 AM
Council File No: 00-9999
Comments for Public Posting: Who do we need to contact about inappropriate billboards that are showing up around the city. Specifically a billboard for a gentlemens club on the corner of Zelzah and Devonshire.