

## 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:**

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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

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**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

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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.

