

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello. I am commenting on the tour vans and small buses that use Mulholland Blvd as part of their route. Unfortunately I cannot attend the meeting in person; I hope you will take this matter very seriously. Most of these companies/drivers do not follow traffic laws. They blatantly stop in the middle of the street regardless of traffic laws/blind curves. They don't follow speed limit laws and will cross over double yellow lines separating the traffic lanes to give their patrons a better look. It is only a matter of time before there is a major accident caused by their negligence. I have complained multiple times to Nythia Raman's office and to the LAPD rep, SLO Sanchez, for our neighborhood begging them to enforce traffic laws or put a stop to this. I've been told that the police do not have the resources to set up regular patrolling. LAPD and Nythis Raman know it is a problem; they get complaints all the time but have said it is a city budget issue. I don't like hampering the LA economy and realize tourism is good for our city and state. Unless you can allocate funds to have DAILY patrols along Mulholland and ticket the drivers, the tours should be banned.

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Name: Sarah Hunt

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Comments for Public Posting: Transportation Committee and Council members, Sightseeing tour buses should be prohibited from using narrow roads such as Mulholland Drive and in the hillside communities of Hollywood Knolls, Hollywood Dell, Lake Hollywood, Hollywoodland, Beachwood Canyon and Oaks that sit adjacent to the Hollywood Sign. The narrow, winding streets of these neighborhoods are simply not safe for such vehicles. On Mulholland Drive west of U.S Route 101 the tour bus drivers pay no notice to posted signs and continually break the law by stopping completely on the road itself, whether it's to run their commentary or to allow their passengers to take photographs. The drivers regularly stop the vehicles on blind bends, without any regard to the dangerous situation they're creating or to the traffic congestion they're causing, and they pull off Mulholland Drive onto 'No Stopping' zones in order for their passengers to disembark and take in the view. These endless violations and disregard for public safety have to stop before there's a major accident, but the current violation penalties are not enforced and don't act as a deterrent. Please vote to fully prohibit sightseeing tour bus operations in hillside neighborhoods in the area bounded by Barham Boulevard, the ridgeline of the Santa Monica Mountains, Western Canyon Road, Franklin Avenue and U.S. Route 101.