

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to tracking vehicular and equestrian collisions and methods to improve safety of equestrian road users and minimize the number of crashes, as a part of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) Vision Zero Program goal to make the streets safer for all including pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Rodriguez - Lee):

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department, in coordination with the LADOT, to report on the current method of tracking vehicular and equestrian collisions and methods to improve the safety of equestrian road users and minimize the number of crashes.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For: Foothill Trails District Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On April 7, 2021 the Public Safety Committee virtually considered a Motion (Rodriguez - Lee) relative to tracking vehicular and equestrian collisions and methods to improve safety of equestrian road users and minimize the number of crashes, as a part of the LADOT Vision Zero Program goal to make the streets safer for all including pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians. According to the Motion, the North San Fernando Valley is home to many equestrians that frequently use City streets. California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 21050 states that any rider or driver of any animal on the roadway is afforded all the rights and is subject to all the duties of any other vehicle on the roadway. CVC Section 21759 also mandates the driver of a vehicle approaching a horse, horse drawn carriage, any ridden animal or livestock, shall reduce their speed and, if necessary, come to a stop prior to passing the animal as to not scare the animal and put it, or its rider, in danger. Recognizing the co-existence of horses and vehicles in the community, it is critical that the City take a proactive approach to safety. This effort begins with effective tracking and analysis of the causes and ways to prevent crashes. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendation in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now transmitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
DE LEON:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES

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