

Communication from Public

Name: Lyn goldfarb

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 11:09 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the Liveable Communities Initiative as a important step in addressing LA's housing crisis. It is imperative that we build housing as fast as possible and at far less cost, with less need for cars. I am in Nithya Raman's district.

Communication from Public

Name: Rebecca Hartman Edwards

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 07:00 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in support of the LCI and I urge the council, specifically my council representative, Nithya Raman to support it as well. I believe our city can and should be more walkable, more inclusive, more environmentally sustainable and well, more livable. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I hope you all support it! Thank you! Rebecca Hartman Edwards

Communication from Public

Name: Steven R. Martin

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 07:27 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI and I want the council, particularly my council representative, Gil Cedillo/Eunisses Hernandez to support it too. Specifically I support it because of my disability and this plan makes sense for someone who does not drive. Our city can and should be more inclusive, sustainable, prettier, safer and well, more livable. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I urge you all to vote yes. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Phyllis Klein

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 07:29 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI and I would like the council, particularly my council representative, Paul Koretz to support it too. Specifically I support it because we need creative ideas to change the development and housing issues in this city. Our city can and should be more inclusive, sustainable, prettier, safer and well, more livable. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I urge you all to vote yes. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Tony Gittelson

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 07:31 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: The Livable Communities Initiative is urgently needed by Los Angeles if the City is to have any hope of meeting our RHNA target by 2029. The LCI is an excellent program by which to promote healthy, sustainable, walkable & bikeable communities on or near rapid transit. If the City is going to deal realistically with its urgent housing crisis, then it is up to the City Council to streamline how housing is created and developed throughout Los Angeles. We can no longer kick the can down the road, serious reform must happen today. Now. The Livable Communities Initiative is a holistic way forward that even wary/skeptical homeowners have embraced; it can and should be adapted to individual communities needs. The LCI is our best hope of advancing fair & equitable housing all over LA, from historically underserved communities to resource-rich communities where affordable workforce is urgently needed. I urge the City Council to move forward with the Livable Communities Initiative as expeditiously as possible. Tony Gittelson Mid-Wilshire, CD 5

Communication from Public

Name: Charles

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 07:47 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the Livable Communities Initiative as a holistic and equitable solution to our housing, mobility and climate crises, and call on the city council to pass motion 21-1230-S2 to help implement the LCI vision, outlined in program 131 in L.A.'s Housing Element. Los Angeles is facing a dire housing crisis that is driving up rents and housing costs across the city, displacing people from once affordable communities, and leading to lengthy commutes. This adds to the city's unsustainable traffic congestion, our global climate emergency and a crisis of street safety that impacts all Angelenos, but disproportionately affects low-income communities of color. The LCI encourages creation of sustainable, walkable, car-light communities on job-rich commercial corridors, with safe micro-mobility options near transit. The goal is to create affordable, mixed-income 15 minute communities, with beautiful housing above retail, where most of a resident's weekly needs can be met without having to drive. Please support and implement the LCI vision with urgency to meet the scope of our housing and human dignity crisis, our climate crisis, our air pollution and health crisis, and the crisis of our dangerous and deadly streets.

Communication from Public

Name: Nancy Pred

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 09:11 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: Please vote yes on the LCI. I support the LCI and I want the council, including my council representative Nithya Raman, to support it too. Our city can and should be more livable, and the LCI moves us toward this goal by creating more inclusive, sustainable, prettier, safer neighborhoods. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. Everyone wins. Please please vote yes. Thanks.

Communication from Public

Name: Jessica Eason

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 09:28 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI and I want the council, particularly my council representative, Nithya Raman, to support it too. Specifically I support it because I want a more walkable community, and a more diverse community. Our city can and should be more inclusive, sustainable, prettier, safer and well, more livable. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I urge you all to vote yes. Thank you. Jessica Eason

Communication from Public

Name: Ada Gorn

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 09:39 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI and I want my representative- Paul Krekorian to support this too. I want to live in a place where I can age in place. As my husband and I get older, we won't be able to drive and as a result, we will find ourselves isolated due to the necessity of having a car in Los Angeles. We do not want to be housebound and stranded in this city. We want to live in a place where we are surrounded by people and we can walk and see our neighbors and visit the local businesses that meet our needs (grocery shopping, doctors offices, parks, restaurants etc). We need a livable city. The LCI is the solution that we urgently need.

Communication from Public

Name: Peter Watts, Jr.

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 09:49 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: October 25, 2022 Hello, my name is Peter Watts, and I'm an educator and pastor at The Rock Church in South LA, head of the Watts of Power Foundation and part of the coalition supporting the Livable Communities Initiative. I've personally seen the devastating effects of our housing and homelessness crisis in L.A. I found my own father on skid row after 30 years of separation from him. I've also seen my children, who are teachers in Los Angeles, struggle to find housing that's affordable in the neighborhood where they grew up. I'm working now on a Teacher Village project whose aim is to attract more Black male teachers back to the profession and to South LA neighborhoods where they will teach. One of the aspects of wrap-around support that we'll be providing is parking-free affordable housing walking distance from nearby schools. The LCI vision of walkable, affordable car-light communities near work is exactly what we need right now to make the city more affordable for workers in our neighborhoods without having long commutes. I urge you to pass the LCI motion. Respectfully Submitted, Peter Watts, Jr.



October 25, 2022

Hello, my name is Peter Watts, and I'm an educator and pastor at The Rock Church in South LA, head of the Watts of Power Foundation and part of the coalition supporting the Livable Communities Initiative. I've personally seen the devastating effects of our housing and homelessness crisis in L.A. I found my own father on skid row after 30 years of separation from him. I've also seen my children, who are teachers in Los Angeles, struggle to find housing that's affordable in the neighborhood where they grew up. I'm working now on a Teacher Village project whose aim is to attract more Black male teachers back to the profession and to South LA neighborhoods where they will teach. One of the aspects of wrap-around support that we'll be providing is parking-free affordable housing walking distance from nearby schools. The LCI vision of walkable, affordable car-light communities near work is exactly what we need right now to make the city more affordable for workers in our neighborhoods without having long commutes. I urge you to pass the LCI motion.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter Watts
Peter Watts, Jr.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 10:09 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support and LCI community because I want the mom and pop building owners near me to be able to develop their property and put up 3-5 story multi-family buildings instead of selling them to big development companies. I also want my kids to be able to afford living in an LCI community where it feels like a sustainable neighborhood/community.

Communication from Public

Name: Ruthe

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 11:28 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI and I want the council, particularly my council representative, Nitha Raman, to support it too. Specifically I support it because I want a more livable, reduced auto-trafficked, pedestrian and bicycle-friendly environment for myself and my children. Our city can - and should - be more inclusive, sustainable, prettier, safer and well, more livable. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I urge you all to vote yes. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Cipra Nemeth

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 09:40 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the Livable Communities Initiative as a holistic and equitable solution to our housing, mobility and climate crises, and call on the city council to pass motion 21-1230-S2 to help implement the LCI vision, outlined in program 131 in L.A.'s Housing Element. Los Angeles is facing a dire housing crisis that is driving up rents and housing costs across the city, displacing people from once affordable communities, and leading to lengthy commutes. This adds to the city's unsustainable traffic congestion, our global climate emergency and a crisis of street safety that impacts all Angelenos, but disproportionately affects low-income communities of color. The LCI encourages creation of sustainable, walkable, car-light communities on job-rich commercial corridors, with safe micro-mobility options near transit. The goal is to create affordable, mixed-income 15 minute communities, with beautiful housing above retail, where most of a resident's weekly needs can be met without having to drive. Please support and implement the LCI vision with urgency to meet the scope of our housing and human dignity crisis, our climate crisis, our air pollution and health crisis, and the crisis of our dangerous and deadly streets.

Communication from Public

Name: Hawley Anderson

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 09:44 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: Please vote AGAINST motion 21-1230-S2 to and the LCI vision, outlined in program 131 in L.A.'s Housing Element. It will negatively impact the safety of our neighborhoods, streets, schools and, but disproportionately affects low-income communities of color, particularly families. The ideals are great but not a realistic approach and instead harms working and lower class families that don't have the luxury of time, that are required by bikes and bus. Many of us are not single car drivers and live pay check to pay check. As a mom, I have seen the negative effects of road diets, expensive apartment/condos encroaching and lack of any safety for particularly women and children using public transportation. Issues of gentrification need to be addressed before passing a misguided program like this. Please reach out to people currently trying to make a living and not the entitled political forces involved with LCI Thank you

Communication from Public

Name: Ann

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 09:51 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the Livable Communities option, and I hope my Councilman Mike Bonin does too, because I want my community to be more livable, walkable, prettier and more convenient. And I want my children to be able to live in our house after I die (I'm in my 80s). We've lived here for 50 years and the community is becoming a de facto housing development because all the developers are buying the houses and putting up ridiculously overpriced and soulless structures. LDCs hold out the promise to keep our community greener and more livable.

Communication from Public

Name: Michelle Ashford

Date Submitted: 10/25/2022 11:44 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I wholeheartedly support the LCI and I want the council to support it too. I support it because I want walkable communities, I want my adult children to be able to live here, I want pretty streets lined with shops and bike paths and people walking, like they do so successfully in Europe.

Communication from Public

Name: Scott Sale

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 10:36 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the Livable Communities Initiative because it seem to be the quickest, greenest, kindest way to help with the current shortfall of affordable housing in Los Angeles. Please vote YES to further the discussion for this amazing concept.

Communication from Public

Name: Polly Estabrook
Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 11:10 AM
Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I am a proud Los Angelino who has lived here 34+ years. I support the Livable Communities Initiative. I am writing to request the LA City Council to do the same. I love bike riding and walking in my neighborhood to meet friends, go shopping, and go out. I see so many other residents doing the same. I also ride on the other bike paths in our city. However, the high traffic speed and lack of green streets make doing this dangerous and take away from the pleasure of spending time outside. I am disappointed by how little Los Angeles has done to marry urban living with green living, marrying density with complete streets, as other American and European cities have done. The LCI will make our city more vibrant, affordable, equitable and GREEN. Please pass the Livable Communities Initiative. Thank you!!!

Communication from Public

Name: Cara Miller

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 11:46 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I live in Los Angeles and I support the Livable Communities Initiative. I am asking the City Council to support this initiative. We need communities where people can live closer to their jobs and age in place. Please support the Livable Communities Initiative for the benefit of everyone who lives in Los Angeles.

Communication from Public

Name: Vaughan Meyer
Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 11:56 AM
Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI (Living Communities Initiative) and want the council, particularly my council Representative Paul Koretz, and more importantly his replacement, to support it too. Los Angeles is flat and spread out. It's absurd that we have all this land zoned for single families. It just doesn't seem just and fair that I am allowed to build my own ADU but we're not able to build affordable housing. We need to make it easier to build multifamily housing above local businesses on commercial streets. We can do that and improve our communities at the same time with LCI. I want a more walkable and more diverse community. I want my adult children to be able to afford to live near me. I want to be able to ride my bike to do my daily activities like buy groceries. I want prettier streets that are tree lined and full of people and cafes. Our city can and should be more inclusive, more sustainable, prettier, safer and more livable! The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I urge you all to vote yes. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Ava

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 12:29 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I am a college student and I want to live in a place like the Livable Communities Initiative imagines. I grew up in Los Angeles — Koreatown — and my whole family is still there. When I graduate I want to be able to afford to live in LA. Like my friends in other major cities, I want an apartment that is close to my job and my community. I don't want to have to use a car everyday. I want to be able to walk, ride a bike or take a bus or tram to work. The LCI would make that possible. I urge you to vote to study this plan. The young people of Los Angeles deserve it. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Lee Lindenlaub

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 01:39 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing to urge you to, like I do, support the LCI (Livable Communities Initiative) which I learned about several months ago at a fabulous and encouraging presentation. LA must become affordable for people. Obviously the unhoused is a crucial problem to address and not just kick down the road BUT also making our city livable for seniors, retirees, newly graduated from college single and coupled folks, essential l workers, middle class. As I've seen in many European cities when you combine housing with corridors of businesses, less traffic happens, the environment is cleaner (pollution diminishes)...people walk, support local businesses, and many of these commercial drags start to become better looking with trees, bike lanes, outdoor seating etc. We cannot afford to keep pricing people out. So I urge you to please pass 21-1230-S2, which is outlined in the LA Housing Element.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 01:43 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: Please see the attached coalition letter from the Livable Communities Initiative and coalition partners, including: H.O.D.G (Hang Out Do Good) IKAR Imagine LA California YIMBY Streets For All Young Entertainment Activists Speak UP Watts of Power Foundation Nehemiah ProjectLA OneUp Action Walkgood LA Extinction Rebellion Los Angeles Washington Abstract Momtivist Feminists In Action Hummingbirds Foundation The Disruptors Fellowship The 15-Minute City Project Cool LA The Center for Cultural Power Jill Bauman, President and CEO of Imagine LA Michael Manville, Associate Professor of Urban Planning, UCLA Shane Phillips, Housing Initiative Manager, UCLA Lewis Center for Regional Policy Studies



Oct. 24, 2022

Dear Los Angeles City Council Members:

Los Angeles is facing multiple crises at once. We have a dire housing shortage that is driving up rents and housing costs across the city, displacing people from once affordable communities, and leading to lengthy commutes, which adds to the city's unsustainable traffic congestion. Los Angeles has the highest percentage of cost-burdened renter households of any major American city, with 59% of Angelenos spending more than 30% of their income on rent, and homelessness tracks with rent burden. It's a simple, ruthless correlation: as rents go up, families on the edge fall into homelessness. We're simultaneously grappling with an urgent global climate crisis and a crisis of street safety that impacts all Angelenos, but disproportionately affects low income communities of color in Los Angeles.

The Livable Communities Initiative (LCI) attempts to address all of these issues holistically and equitably. In LA's eight-year Housing Plan, Los Angeles has committed to adding nearly half a million homes, within the decade, to meet state requirements to address our housing shortage. We believe we can significantly mitigate the traffic and climate impacts of new housing by making it easier and less costly to build healthy, walkable, car-light communities on job-rich commercial corridors, with safe micro-mobility options, near transit and amenities. The goal is to create affordable, mixed- and moderate-income communities throughout Los Angeles – what are often called 15 minute communities, where virtually all of a resident's weekly needs can be found within a short walk, bike or mass transit ride away. So often in Los Angeles, we will drive to a walkable shopping area, find parking, do our shopping and our walking, then drive home. We argue: why not have these small walkable, livable communities all over L.A., where people actually live?

Angelenos deserve beautiful, livable, affordable communities with tree-lined streets, wide sidewalks and micro-mobility infrastructure – streets that are safe for people of all ages and income levels to walk, bike and enjoy. This starts with reimagining how we design our buildings, as well as our streets – where 132 pedestrians were killed in traffic-related incidents last year alone. Our antiquated zoning regime is convoluted, outdated and overly restrictive, preventing much-needed multifamily housing projects on vibrant commercial streets. Our broken zoning hinders the City's ability to create greener, safer, and more affordable communities. Our pressing housing crisis requires us to approve projects more quickly, creating cost-efficiency.

The Livable Communities Initiative (LCI) is included in Los Angeles' 2021-29 Housing Element (Program 131). And now a Livable Communities motion has been introduced before the City Council to help implement the program. We the undersigned ask the City Council to expeditiously pass motion 21-1230-S2, which directs the Planning Department, the Department of Building and Safety and Los Angeles Department of Transportation to study and report back on all regulatory changes needed to implement the LCI vision.

One viable option is the creation of a Livable Communities Overlay facilitating mid-scale transit-oriented development, incentivizing the creation of housing units where they do not currently exist, and promoting development that is consistent with and/or enhances existing commercial, mixed-use character. These development and zoning standards and street improvements should consider:

- A waiver or reduction of setbacks, unit floor area, and other development standards;
- An inclusionary housing requirement
- The elimination or reduction of parking minimums in “high quality transit areas” or “transit-rich areas”
- A minimum density requirement to promote multifamily development
- An exclusion provision for any parcel of land located within a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ), within an identified historic district, or areas designated as open space
- An exclusion provision for covenanted affordable and rent-stabilized units.
- Street and transportation improvements including complete streets with wide sidewalks, protected bike lanes, dedicated bus lanes, traffic calming, tree canopy, transit shelters, public seating, fast and frequent transit.

We also ask the city to enact a plan to streamline administrative clearance for LCI/LCO projects through objective design standards and to develop a community outreach plan to help select appropriate streets. We believe LCI has the potential to add much-needed multifamily housing in job-rich, high-opportunity areas that have not historically built enough housing, and it can add amenities, walkability, protected bike lanes and safe streets to communities that have been under-served. We call on the city to adopt the LCO and make the street improvements needed to make LCI communities safe, livable and walkable for everyone.

Sincerely,

H.O.D.G (Hang Out Do Good) 	IKAR 	Imagine LA 	California YIMBY 	Streets For All 
Young Entertainment Activists 	Speak UP 	Watts of Power Foundation 	Nehemiah ProjectLA 	OneUp Action 
Walkgood LA 	Extinction Rebellion Los Angeles 	Washington Abstract 	Momtivist 	Feminists In Action 
The Disruptors Fellowship 	The 15-Minute City Project 	Cool LA 	The Center for Cultural Power 	Hummingbird Foundation 
Jill Bauman <i>President and CEO of Imagine LA</i>	Michael Manville <i>Associate Professor of Urban Planning, UCLA</i>	Shane Phillips <i>Housing Initiative Manager, UCLA Lewis Center for Regional Policy Studies</i>		

Communication from Public

Name: Andrew Reich

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 03:16 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I am longtime Angeleno who supports the Livable Communities Initiative, and I am hoping the City Council will do the same. I have been so frustrated by visiting other cities like Paris and seeing how much farther along they are on biking and walking infrastructure than we are. Los Angeles can become a bikeable/walkable city, and we would all be better off. I wish I could safely ride my bike to work. The LCI will make our city healthier, our air cleaner, and our streets more vibrant.

Communication from Public

Name: Patricia Bijvoet

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 03:23 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

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Communication from Public

Name: Peter Kato

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 04:01 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: As we all know affordable housing and homelessness are very much the biggest issues Los Angeles is facing today. This was very evident during the mayoral debate a few weeks ago because 80% of the question were people concerned with the housing crisis. What Livable Community Initiatives (LCI) is proposing is a step in a positive direction because it will address our housing crisis by building aesthetically good homes as fast as possible, and at far less cost while also addressing our sustainability concerns.

Communication from Public

Name: Jan Reichmann

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 04:20 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I firmly oppose the Livable California Initiative. I have studied the mapping and am particularly disturbed that an area adjacent to my neighborhood is doomed if LCI becomes reality. It was developed in the '40s as affordable low rise multiple dwellings, mostly duplex and triplex with no driveways. It was built to house a local work force from schools and a growing need for low income housing for UCLA employees. Demolishing this classic collection would be a travesty! The City continues to build market rate housing while throwing in a few affordable units. The vacancy factor is huge! The infrastructure continues to crumble and schools cannot accommodate this growth. If the LCI has as its goal social justice through density, they have never considered the consequences. Their vision is going to the gym or market on a bicycle. How do they pick up the kids from school? No need for gardeners with their little trucks since there won't be space for gardens. Janet Reichmann Los Angeles, Ca. 90024

Communication from Public

Name: Jill Cohen

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 05:54 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the LCI and I want the council, particularly my council representative, Mitch O'Farrell, to support it too. Specifically I support it because I want a more walkable community. Our city can and should be more inclusive, sustainable, prettier, safer and well, more livable. The LCI is one solution to helping us get there. I urge you all to vote yes. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Leslie E Lichtenstein

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 05:56 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Tanisha Hall

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 07:28 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Tanisha Hall, and I am the founder of White Hall Arts Academy, and I am a constituent and commercial property owner in Council District 8. I am writing to urge you to pass the Livable Communities Initiative motion to help solve our housing crisis. The LCI will allow small Black-owned business owners like me and my family to help solve the housing crisis by making it easier and less costly to build a few stories of housing above local businesses without having to sell to a big developer. The LCI allows small mom and pop builders to more easily build multi-family apartments on small, individual commercial lots. We made it easier for homeowners to build ADUs, and the LCI does the same for small commercial property owners like myself. I believe the LCI can increase the amount of affordable housing in LA and can make the city more livable for my five foster children when they grow up.

Communication from Public

Name: Todd Katzberg

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 07:28 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I am an LA renter, and a volunteer with Extinction Rebellion LA (XRLA). XRLA is our local chapter of an international movement to confront the climate crisis, and a vital and fast-growing part of the city's climate activism network. We at XRLA enthusiastically support the Livable Communities Initiative. We believe affordable, gentle-density housing along existing public transit corridors has the potential to impact not only our housing emergency, but also the climate crisis, by finally making it possible to live comfortably in Los Angeles without a car. Only by creating infrastructure that enables fossil fuel-free living can we ease the necessary and inevitable transition to a greener future. On behalf of XRLA, I urge you to enact this motion and implement its vision.

Communication from Public

Name: Edith m Sturman

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 07:55 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I support the Livable Communities Initiative -- I think we are in a housing and climate emergency, and I respectfully ask the city council to pass the motion and fast track this housing.

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Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 07:55 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Janet Reichmann

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 08:00 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I wish to correct my previous comments. The reference of opposition is to Livable Communities Initiative (LCI), not Livable California I strongly oppose this initiative as it does not respect established neighborhoods and simply pushes density where it disrupts the environment, displaces already affordable housing, and does not consider the aging infrastructure. The mapping of this Initiative is insensitive since its only driving force is to equate density to social justice. The approach also dismisses older adults as it advocates biking to the market. Janet Reichmann

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Communication from Public

Name: Marilyn Green

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 08:07 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I am writing in support of the Livable Communities Initiative. I would love to see my neighborhood into a greener, more walkable place to live. I would love to see housing built that my son and daughter in law and grandchild could actually afford to live in. My son is a teacher and they can't find an apartment they can afford to live in and so are moving in with the in-laws. We need to have clean, safe, affordable places for young families to live and thrive. Thanks in advance for supporting this initiative.

Communication from Public

Name: Diego Quijada

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 08:37 PM

Council File No: 21-1230-S2

Comments for Public Posting: I like the LCI because it's a plan to solve our severe housing, climate, and traffic crisis. Being able to have communities that are car-light and just being able to walk places is something that I would really enjoy. There are a lot of people who don't drive and choose to ride their bike everywhere or walk. This will help us not just traffic wise but also climate wise and have cleaner communities.

Communication from Public

Name: Randy Bishop

Date Submitted: 10/24/2022 08:58 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support and want to live in an LCI community because I have grown up in Los Angeles and lived here most of my life. LA has amazing elements but only a few neighborhoods where you can walk and live and exist easily without a car. We have problems with not enough housing, too many cars, not enough bike lanes and globally not enough trees. This proposal seems like a win/win/win/win for so many folks. Incentives for homeowners or small retailers to expand and add housing. Lower cost of housing. Better neighborhoods for people to walk in. Prettier cities (No one would describe Westwood Blvd, where I live, as a pretty street). More tourism for the city. Fewer cars. Better commuting options and mass transit usage. The list goes on. Please consider this seriously. In today's NIMBY world....I am saying I live here in Westwood and PLEASE do this!!! Thanks

Communication from Public

Name: Jahaira Cardenas

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Comments for Public Posting: Livable Communities Initiative is an organization working to provide a solution for the housing crisis in Los Angeles. They have come up with a model that makes building multiple units easier. I support the Livable Communities Initiative because it encourages making communities walkable, providing more housing, and including affordable housing. I also support the Livable Communities Initiative because they are advocating for more multi-family housing without unnecessary costs.