

## Communication from Public

**Name:** KEVIN A ZELAYA

**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 05:46 PM

**Council File No:** 21-1230-S2

**Comments for Public Posting:** My name is Kevin Zelaya, I live in Mid City on Rimpau Blvd and 12th st in Council District 10. I am here to speak in favor of Item 3, the Livable Communities Initiative report. I strongly support the Livable Communities Initiative as it will encourage the creation of safe, walkable, bikeable livable communities across L.A. and help create urgently needed gentle-density housing. Los Angeles needs the kind of visionary city planning that is included in this report. I would urge the Committee on Housing and Homelessness to unanimously endorse the findings and recommendations in the Report, and to recommend the full City Council swiftly adopt it, as well. Thank you very much.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** helen eigenberg  
**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 04:00 PM  
**Council File No:** 21-1230-S2  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello City Council Members, I live in CD5 . I am writing in favor of Item 3, the Livable Communities Initiative report. I strongly support the Livable Communities Initiative as it will encourage the creation of safe, walkable, bikeable livable communities across L.A. and help create urgently needed gentle-density housing. Los Angeles needs the kind of visionary city planning that is included in this report. I would urge the Committee on Housing and Homelessness to unanimously endorse the findings and recommendations in the Report, and to recommend the full City Council swiftly adopt it, as well. We all know that we desperately need housing. Housing of all kinds, everywhere! We need lots of options and this is a smart one. It also feels like an option that folks who haven't supported more housing might be able to get on board with.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** J. Ross

**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 04:06 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am concerned that the LCI requires that NO TREES be built in its projects. No setbacks are required, and no open space is mandated for its residents. The artist drawings show nice street trees that must be planted anyways. (They are not a benefit of LCI.) The city should mandate that 10 ft setbacks are in the front and back, with 4 trees planted onsite at ground level in the dirt (not in planters or pots). I oppose LCI without this change.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** David Welch

**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 04:41 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi there, I've lived in LA for the past 20 years — in many different areas, but for the last 10 years I've been in North Hollywood, Council District 2. I just wanted to voice my STRONG SUPPORT for the Livable Communities Initiative report. LA is struggling with a severe housing affordability crisis, and — related to this — a crisis of unhoused people. We desperately need more affordable housing, which can best be created through gentle density. We also desperately need more safe, walkable, bikeable spaces throughout the city. I would urge the Committee on Housing and Homelessness to unanimously endorse the findings and recommendations in the Report, and to recommend the full City Council swiftly adopt it, as well. Thank you for your consideration, David

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Nancy Matson

**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 04:44 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly support Item 3, the Livable Communities Initiative. I further support any additional steps to create housing like this which encourages walking, biking, and gentle density.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Cyle Zezotarski  
**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 08:18 PM  
**Council File No:** 21-1230-S2  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I'm writing to encourage the Committee on Housing and Homelessness and, in turn, the full council to endorse and adopt the recommendations in the Liveable Communities Initiative report. As a resident of Van Nuys and CD4, and a big supporter of walkable, more climate-resilient and more equitable neighborhoods, I'm excited about what the future could hold if these recommendations are implemented. Major changes must be made in order to meet the needs and challenges that lie ahead, and we have the opportunity for a turning point in how we approach our communities starting now. I urge the Committee on Housing and Homelessness to unanimously endorse the findings and recommendations in the Report, and to recommend the full City Council swiftly adopt it, as well. Thank you!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Stephanie Tong

**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 10:32 PM

**Council File No:** 21-1230-S2

**Comments for Public Posting:** I live in Atwater Village in CD13. I am in favor of Item 3, the Livable Communities Initiative report. I strongly support the Livable Communities Initiative as it will encourage the creation of safe, walkable, bikeable livable communities across L.A. and help create urgently needed gentle-density housing. It's what's needed to mitigate the deadly effects of climate change. Los Angeles needs the kind of visionary city planning that is included in this report. I would urge the Committee on Housing and Homelessness to unanimously endorse the findings and recommendations in the Report, and to recommend the full City Council swiftly adopt it, as well. Thank you very much.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Gregory Wright  
**Date Submitted:** 08/27/2024 10:52 PM  
**Council File No:** 21-1230-S2

**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello. I am a resident of Sherman Oaks, in Council District 4. I support the Livable Communities Initiative for a variety of reasons -- especially in the form of a miles-long Environmental and Cultural Corridor across a major swath of Los Angeles that provides safe, walkable and bikeable, zero- and low-carbon, transit-dense 'gentle density' of mostly affordable housing with an array of diverse hospitality, cultural, recreational, educational, and other high-quality-of-life urban features and amenities. Even better will be a pair of such multi-mile Eco-Cultural Corridors that intersect to become the nucleus of an environmentally and culturally advanced urban district that is a model of broadly positive 21st-century urban possibility. Los Angeles needs this kind of visionary city planning -- and so does the world; the LCI vision writ large like this can be a global model. Especially if the first manifestation of this vision exists in time for the 2028 Olympics. 'Transit-ONLY Communities' -- a step above Transit-Oriented Development -- should be the dominant, and maybe sole residential form in the LCI-inspired miles-long Eco-Cultural Corridor(s). A long corridor of Transit-Only residential developments can function over time as a test bed of new kinds and scales of public transportation, while intersecting with a number of the transit routes serving the rest of the city. Autonomous vehicles also can be optimally and very safely trialed in this long-distance linear environment as they travel over many miles of the same roadway configuration. Traditional autos, SUVs, and pickup trucks should not be a component of the traffic in the Corridors, or at least minimized as to types and timing. The urban forest of street trees and pocket parks should occur at its maximum along the LCI Corridor(s), which might become Urban Nature Corridors supporting pollinators and birdlife in the colorful bowers of flowers and arboreal canopies that will replace above-ground utilities, most on-site and all off-site signage and advertising, and traditional auto infrastructure. And as below, so above! The tops of the buildings in the Corridors should host, along with widespread solar-photovoltaic panels and surfaces, a Virtual Migration Corridor of birds and pollinators with lightweight hydroponic/aeroponic green roofs and rooftop gardens of ecologically appropriate plants and small trees. I urge the Committee on Housing and Homelessness to unanimously

endorse the findings and recommendations in the LCI Report, and to recommend the full City Council swiftly adopt it, as well. Thank you! Re Council File 21-1230-S2.