

Communication from Public

Name: Ann Dorsey

Date Submitted: 08/19/2022 09:17 PM

Council File No: 22-0910

Comments for Public Posting: I urge the City Council to pass Healthy Streets LA as an ordinance (Option #1). We have the highest traffic violence rates in the country (our pedestrian fatality rate is 3x the national average!) and transportation-driven climate change already affects us daily. We want our public space back; make our streets safer and more efficient for pedestrians, cyclists, and bus riders. It is long past time for these changes to be made. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Michael Sweeney

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Comments for Public Posting: Speaking as a private citizen, I urge the City Council to adopt the "Healthy Streets LA" initiative without delay. It has deep support and we cannot further delay vital Mobility Plan upgrades that will make our streets safer for all users. Further, I am concerned that due to the timing of the initiative's qualification and subsequent action that many community voices who have previously written to the Council Office Healthy Streets LA are being muted. Specifically, while some of our Neighborhood Councils have been able to re-adopt their previous support letters as Community Impact Statements (CIS), not all will have that opportunity. I am attaching my NC's previous support letter to make sure that it is on-the-record and I ask that the Clerk or Council staff further add these already-public statements of support to the Council file.

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“HEALTHY STREETS LA” BALLOT MEASURE LETTER OF SUPPORT

April 7, 2022

Mayor Eric Garcetti
Councilmember Kevin de Leon

Dear Mayor Garcetti & Councilmember de Leon,

We declare that on April 5, 2022, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council (ERNC) at which a quorum was present. The following motion passed unanimously:

The Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council repeatedly has supported Complete Streets project in our neighborhood (most recently the very successful project on Yosemite). Having put in so much time, work, and effort over the years on these projects, we wholeheartedly support streamlining these types of upgrades as [the proposed Healthy Streets LA ballot initiative](#) would require. All “Mobility Plan 2035” upgrades should be automatically implemented when streets are repaved, utilities are reconstructed, or when any other large project creates the opportunity.

Our transportation network should be as complete, connected, and safe as possible but it is not because the City’s own code does not require automatic implementation of all adopted improvements hand in glove with basic maintenance. It would be preposterous to even suggest that Council Offices should weigh in on whether to require basic safety measures (like fire-sprinklers) or basic environmental requirements (like LED bulbs) for buildings on a project-by-project basis. That is the illogical system we currently have for basic safety improvements (like pedestrian crossings) and basic environmental upgrades (like bike lanes) in our public streets.

This must be changed; if Council will not remove themselves from questioning Mobility Plan upgrades on a project-by-project basis, then we ask that the voters do it for them.

On August 11, 2015, the Los Angeles City Council overwhelmingly approved Mobility Plan 2035 as an update to the City’s General Plan Transportation Element which calls the construction of a connected network of pedestrian and bicycle routes, transit routes, and vehicle routes with the goal of creating a complete street network to support streets as public places for the safe utilization for all modes of

transportation. Additionally, on August 25, 2015, the Mayor issued Executive Directive No. 10, a Vision Zero program with the goal of eliminating all traffic fatalities and severe injuries by 2025, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all.

Despite these substantive policy changes and initiatives, more than 200 people lose their lives while traveling on City streets every single year and traffic collisions are a leading cause of death for children in the City and our City continues to have a pedestrian fatality rate nearly four times the national average. In 2021 according to the LAPD, 289 people were killed in traffic collisions (a 21% increase) and 1,465 were severely injured (a 30% increase), 486 pedestrians were severely injured by drivers (a 35% increase), 128 pedestrians were killed by drivers (a 6% increase), and cyclists' injuries rose by 22% and cyclist deaths rose by 13%;

It is no accident that these numbers are climbing—since 2015 the City has implemented only 95 of the 3,137 lane miles (3%) called for in the Mobility Plan. This is completely unacceptable and must be accelerated to meet the Plan's goals of ensuring safe access to streets by requiring all projects to implement the adopted plans.

In addition to safety improvements, the Mobility Plan's Enhanced Complete Street System is a critical piece of our City's efforts to combat climate change and preserve the quality of the air we breathe; it is no accident that our City has one of the highest rates of childhood asthma in the country and the Los Angeles Basin ranks worst in the nation for year-round ozone emissions and fifth for particle pollution.

Please place this letter in the case file, and acknowledge its receipt via email to: **executive@ernc.la**. Thank you.

Respectfully,



Richard Loew
President, Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council

cc: Seleta Reynolds, General Manager, LADOT
Keith Mozee, General Manager, StreetsLA

Communication from Public

Name: Ray Dang

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Ray Dang and I support city council adopting Healthy Streets LA as an ordinance (option 1). It is beyond time to make our streets safer for everyone; the other week, a speeding car at Slauson & La Brea killed 5 people and the next day, an out of control car in Mar Vista crashed into a house. These kinds of crashes happen on a weekly basis in LA because of our focus on car convenience. Let's take a step towards ending traffic violence now by passing Healthy Streets LA into law. Ray Dang Los Angeles 90014