

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Councilmembers, As a longtime resident of Los Angeles, I respectfully urge you to support Council File 25-0642, which would eliminate mandatory off-street parking requirements in new developments and changes of use. In my own neighborhood in West LA, I've seen how these rules shape what gets built. Strangely, my own apartment comes with garage space that could store four cars, even as a single resident! The costs of all that parking is passed on to renters like me, which might be one of the reasons I pay a third of my paycheck in rent. Expensive garages and asphalt lots are taking up a serious amount of space and cost for LA. I don't believe every new building needs to be designed around the car first. Personally, my neighborhood allows me to ride public transit to work and I can walk most places I need in the neighborhood. When parking is truly needed, developers still provide it—it is LA after all. Cities like San Diego have already proven this approach works, and Los Angeles should not lag behind. Please support Council File 25-0642. It is time to end the status quo that makes LA one of the hardest and least affordable places to create homes.