

Communication from Public

Name: Toby Muresianu
Date Submitted: 09/15/2025 03:55 PM
Council File No: 25-0642

Comments for Public Posting: I'm an LA resident and driver urging you to vote in favor of this motion to take a big step towards reforming parking requirements in the city of Los Angeles. While I often drive, I also love to walk, bike, and take transit or even Waymo with my family around the city. Right-sizing parking for the actual needs of the homes and businesses being built, instead of arbitrary and inflexible one-size-fits-all requirements, will help make our city more pleasant and livable--not to mention affordable. We have a car-light lifestyle with just one car for our family, but for a long time had to pay for 2 spaces with our home--one of which sat unused. I also had an elderly neighbor who could not drive and was struggling to afford housing yet still had two mandatory empty spots with his home, and was unable to find any less expensive apartments without them since they had been illegal to build for so many years. There are more and more options to get around the city, or get errands done, without needing to own and park a car. We should embrace this and allow those who can't or don't want to own one to save money, avoid creating traffic and emissions for everyone else, and enable a more beautiful city that isn't covered in unnecessary parking spaces and huge, often empty lots.

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Name: Jonathan Hale

Date Submitted: 09/15/2025 01:41 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Single stair reform is a common policy already in place in major cities in the United States and around the world that allows for more family housing to be built without increasing risk or fire danger. This reform is essential to addressing Los Angeles' housing crisis and building more homes for families. To successfully implement it, we should amend the policy to eliminate the 8 foot buffer required for egress windows. We should further act to align the code with other successful single stair ordinances (such as Seattle's) and remove provisions #26 and #27.

Communication from Public

Name: Westside for Everyone

Date Submitted: 09/15/2025 11:18 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council Members, Westside for Everyone, a local group representing a growing number of community members who wish for productive housing solutions on the Westside of Los Angeles, respectfully urges you to support Council File 25-0642, which would eliminate mandatory off-street parking requirements in new developments and changes of use. For decades, zoning rules have forced every new home and business to come bundled with parking spaces—whether needed or not. Each space can add \$30,000 to \$75,000 to construction costs, and underground stalls often exceed \$50,000 each. A UCLA study found that can raise the cost of a housing unit by more than \$100,000, driving up rents and prices even for residents who don't own cars. Other cities—including San Diego, San Francisco, and Minneapolis—have ended parking minimums. Their experience shows that builders still provide parking where demand exists, but at levels that better reflect real needs. Finally, while state laws like AB 2097 already limit parking mandates near major transit stops, a citywide rule offers predictability. Transit service levels can shift, and a consistent standard ensures projects can be designed with clarity from the start. Every dollar and every square foot forced into parking is one less for housing or community needs. We urge you to vote in favor of Council File 25-0642 and take this critical step toward a more affordable, sustainable, and fair Los Angeles. Respectfully, Westside for Everyone
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September 10, 2025

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