

Communication from Public

Name: Chris Tilly

Date Submitted: 12/08/2025 05:30 PM

Council File No: 25-1257

Comments for Public Posting: I write as a LA voter and homeowner and a professor of urban planning at UCLA. Please vote no on CF 25-1257. This legislation would destroy the homes of large numbers of Angelenos who have no shelter other than a vehicle—in return for temporary housing at best or no housing at all. We already have six homeless people dying per day on the streets of Los Angeles. This will surely lead to an increase in this number, as well as creating suffering for many others. Amending this law so that it only applies to abandoned vehicles (rather than ones that are inoperable but still in use) would be fine. If you wish to help people in vehicles and get them off the street, support safe parking and permanent housing.

Communication from Public

Name: Carie Martin

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Los Angeles City Council, I am writing to urge you to vote NO on Council File 25-1257. This motion is a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of some of our city's most vulnerable residents and a drain on city resources that could be used to house our community members instead. Under AB 630, if law enforcement estimates an RV to be worth \$4,000 or less and deems it "abandoned," they can begin the process of destroying someone's home—forcing that person into street homelessness. Even the costly Inside Safe program has seen high rates of people returning to the streets after temporary shelter. Los Angeles currently lacks a citywide, trauma-informed program to assist people in transitioning from inoperable RVs into housing—and this motion does not include an obligation to offer hotel or temporary shelter. As shown in a recent Venice Justice Committee survey, many residents who are priced out of traditional housing find a vehicle to be their safest option. Without affordable housing, this often becomes a long-term situation. While many RVs deteriorate over time, towing and destroying them without providing assistance is simply cruel. Instead of expanding enforcement, the City should focus on improving its own poor track record with Vehicle Dwelling Operations. Between June 2022 and June 2024, the City conducted 372 operations involving 2,823 vehicle dwellings. The results were dismal: 1,134 parking citations issued, 638 vehicles impounded, and only 196 people housed (City Clerk report). These numbers don't even include one-off tow operations targeting vehicle residents for the 72-hour parking rule or expired registration. There are no City programs that help with RV repairs or DMV registration, and existing "Safe Parking" programs are woefully inadequate. In fact, unless you are a veteran or part of a small county pilot, there are no Safe Parking options for RVs in Los Angeles—even as public lots sit empty every night. Parking stability, ongoing outreach, and real housing solutions—based on respect and trust—will do much more to reduce homelessness than punishment ever could. What Los Angeles needs is funding for real services and resources, not more punitive operations. The city should focus on investments that truly help people find and maintain housing and prioritize improving LA's vehicle dwelling programs. Please reject this motion to implement AB 630 and stop

taking people's homes away like it's trash day. Carie Martin
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Name: Peggy Lee Kennedy

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Comments for Public Posting: Please attach the pdf letter opposing this motion.

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Name: Sam Lutzker

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Comments for Public Posting: Asking to immediately implement AB630 before a report back on how it can be implemented, including the process if an RV isn't operational but is inhabited, isn't good planning on the City's part. AB630's text is mostly about abandoned RVs, but it also applies to RVs that aren't operational as defined under Vehicle Code 22669 and deemed worth under \$4,000. That is a substantial portion of the vehicular homeless population that I work with on the streets of LA in my work as a PhD candidate at UCLA. While the bill tries to solve a downstream issue of exploitative van-lords by ensuring RVs don't go to auction, this could create an incentive to tow RVs that are currently inhabited. The City needs to have strict guardrails on AB630, which shouldn't be implemented before it's reported on by relevant departments.

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Name: susan millmann

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Comments for Public Posting: vehicle tow operations in LACity can tell are not about providing services for the safety of unhoused people. It's all about ticketing and towing vehicle dwellings, and especially RVs. For example, of 372 City Vehicle Dwelling Operations completed between June 2022 and June 2024 for 2,823 vehicle dwellings, 1,134 parking citations were issued, 638 vehicles were impounded, and only 196 people were "housed," which could just mean in temporary situations. And these numbers don't even include those for one-off tow operations targeting vehicle residents for the 72-hour parking rule or expired registration. As documented in a recent survey report by Venice Justice Committee (<https://challengeinequality.luskin.ucla.edu/2025/06/25/keep-moving/>), for so many who are priced out of traditional rental housing, a vehicle is the next logical, safe choice. This turns into a longer-term solution due to lack of low-income housing in Los Angeles. This motion doesn't address the City's Comprehensive Citywide Strategy for People Experiencing Recreational Vehicular Homelessness and will wrongly lead to more street homelessness. There is no LA City program supporting vehicle repairs or DMV registration for RVs, and existing "Safe Parking" programs are insufficient compared to the number of vehicle residents in LA. In fact, unless you're a U.S. Veteran or happen to be selected for a small County pilot program, no Safe Parking even exists for RVs in LA! Meanwhile, public parking lots sit empty every night. Instead of real solutions, Los Angeles pays DOT and LAPD for enforcement and rents CalTrans lots to store impounded RVs. Now, with this new law, LACity will be able to "remove and dismantle abandoned RVs with an estimated value of \$4,000 or less." More poor people living in RVs will become street homeless. It is racist and ableist on its face because of the targeted population, of whom a significant percentage are disabled. Our elected officials should not be allowed to pass these motions prior to providing real solutions grounded in parking stability, sustained outreach, and real housing offers founded on respect and trust. sincerely, susan millmann 50-year Venice resident and homeowner