

MOTION

I MOVE that the Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Community Enrichment and Transportation Committees' report relative to the prohibition of electric bicycles on all equestrian, hiking, and recreational trails in the City of Los Angeles, Item No. 4 on today's Council Agenda (C.F. 26-0338), BE AMENDED to revise the recommendations, as follows:

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to prohibit the use of **Class 3** electric bicycles on all equestrian, hiking and recreational trails in the City of Los Angeles utilizing signage and all enforcement tools currently available. ~~The electric bicycle prohibition should not include designated Class I, II, III, or IV Bikeways.~~

2. INSTRUCT RAP to prohibit the use of **Class 2** electric bicycles on all equestrian, hiking and recreational trails in the City of Los Angeles, except for the following:

- a. Trails that are or were paved;
- b. Trails that are more than 10 feet wide;
- c. Paved or unpaved fire roads in the Santa Monica Mountains;
- d. Trails that a bicyclist may reasonably use to reach a destination that is accessible by motor vehicle, but which is not accessible by a Class I or Class IV bikeway.

3. The electric bicycle prohibition should not include designated Class I, II, III, or IV Bikeways.

4. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) with the support of the Department of Transportation (DOT), in conjunction with the Office of the City Attorney, to report to Council on current regulations regarding the use of electric bicycles in the City, ~~and to create a substantial fine structure to discourage electric bicycle use in restricted areas.~~

5. INSTRUCT the RAP, DOT, and the LAPD to report to Council on resources required to enforce electric bicycle bans in sensitive areas.

6. REQUEST the Office of the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance that prohibits the use of **Class 2 or Class 3** electric bicycles on City trails, as detailed in Instructions 1 and 2, with a fine no greater than that for speed safety system violations, including reduced fines and payment options for low-income individuals; and with a provision that the ordinance shall not take effect until RAP has provided the report in Instruction 8., with increasing fines for repeat violators.

7. ~~REQUEST the City Attorney, in coordination with the DOT, to report back on mechanisms to make the fine structure for electric bicycle infractions proportional to income.~~

8. INSTRUCT the RAP to report back on opportunities, existing facilities, or potential **paths or trails** ~~locations~~ that would be amenable to the utilization of **bicycles or** electric bicycles; all trails that a bicyclist may reasonably use to reach a destination that is accessible by motor vehicle, but which is not accessible by a Class I or Class IV bikeway; and recommendations regarding amending L.A.M.C. 86.06.

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