

Communication from Public

Name: Ayla Stern

Date Submitted: 10/01/2024 11:58 AM

Council File No: 22-1476

Comments for Public Posting: I encourage the committee to incorporate AB 3177 (which the governor just signed and which prohibits most road dedications statewide) and provide guidance to the city based on the state requirements set by this bill vis-à-vis the existing plan. Requiring developers to widen streets leads to cutting down mature trees, more dangerous streets with inconsistent widths, and higher rental costs. Smaller roads encourage drivers to go more slowly which is safer for everyone. It's time to stop this wasteful and car-centric policy of automatically widening our streets during development.

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Name: Amanda McDaniel
Date Submitted: 10/01/2024 03:23 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: As you are amending the Street Dedication and Improvement Investigation Criteria, please REMOVE all instances requiring developers to widen streets. Widening streets cuts down mature trees, leads to less safe streets with inconsistent widths, and drives up rents. Smaller roads are slower roads that help to encourage drivers to pay attention and go the speed limit. It is far past time to stop this wasteful, dangerous, and car-centric policy of automatically widening our streets during development. The committee should incorporate AB 3177, which the governor just signed and prohibits most road dedications statewide, and provide guidance to the city based on the state requirements set by this bill vis-à-vis the existing plan.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 10/01/2024 08:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support Item #10 (22-1476), which directs the Bureau of Engineering to report on amending the Street Dedication and Improvement Investigation Criteria to promote safety, sustainability, and multimodal street improvements. Requiring developers to widen streets has several negative consequences. It often results in the removal of mature trees, which are crucial for our environment and community well-being. Additionally, widening streets can create inconsistent widths that lead to less safe road conditions. The increased development costs associated with street widening are frequently passed on to residents, driving up rents and making housing less affordable. Smaller roads encourage drivers to adhere to speed limits, contributing to safer neighborhoods for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists alike. By maintaining narrower streets, we promote a more sustainable and community-friendly urban environment. It's time to move away from the wasteful and car-centric policy of automatically widening our streets during development. Instead, we should focus on creating streets that support all modes of transportation and enhance the quality of life in our city. I urge the committee to incorporate AB 3177, which the governor recently signed into law and which prohibits most road dedications statewide. Aligning our policies with this new state legislation will provide clear guidance and help us meet our goals for safety and sustainability. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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Comments for Public Posting: I support this motion. The six objectives outlined in the beginning of the document are all ones that we should be pursuing and it's rare that we can advance a policy that simultaneously helps address ills as diverse as our epidemic of traffic deaths, a lack of cooling tree cover in a warming world and the development of desperately needed affordable housing. (Not to mention that decisions about how wide a street should be should be made when the city sees a need to change it, not just when a developer sees a chance to make a dollar.) Please vote to support this motion.

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Comments for Public Posting: SUPPORT: Item #10 I ask you to support item 10, which directs a Bureau of Engineering report relative to amending Street Dedication and Improvement Investigation Criteria to promoting safety, sustainability, and multimodal street improvement. Requiring developers to widen streets cuts down mature trees, leads to less safe streets with inconsistent widths, and drives up rents. Smaller roads are slower roads, encouraging drivers to go the speed limit. It's time to stop this wasteful and car-centric policy of automatically widening our streets during development. The committee should incorporate AB 3177, which the governor just signed and prohibits most road dedications statewide, and provide guidance to the city based on the state requirements set by this bill vis-à-vis the existing plan.

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Comments for Public Posting: I oppose this measure. There should be no changes to these requirements.