

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Chapter VIII, Article 1, Section 89.60 to establish a base fine and late payment penalties for a violation of California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 22500(m); and overview of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) to use cameras to enforce parking violations in bus lanes and bus stops.

Recommendations for Council action, as amended and SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. ADOPT the accompanying draft ORDINANCE, dated July 25, 2024, amending LAMC Chapter VIII, Article 1, Section 89.60 to establish a base fine and late payment penalties for a violation of CVC Section 22500(m).
2. NOTE and FILE the LADOT report.
3. INSTRUCT the LADOT to begin the warning period immediately after the City Council adopts the draft Ordinance.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. LADOT states that by establishing the MOU with Metro for a 75/25 split of the bus lane enforcement citation revenue, LADOT anticipates collecting \$5,472,596 annually in net revenue. The net revenue assumes funding two existing traffic officer positions in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 General Fund budget. The cost may be further offset by an expected increase in bus lane/zone citations issued and improved operational efficiency of bus lane/zone enforcement as the program grows. Final terms between Metro and LADOT on the potential reinvestment of net revenues from the bus lane enforcement program will be brought back to the Mayor and Council for approval once discussions have been completed. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For:
Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Los Feliz Neighborhood Council
NoHo Neighborhood Council
North Westwood Neighborhood Council
Mid City West Neighborhood Council
South Robertson Neighborhood Council
Venice Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On September 18, 2024, your Transportation Committee considered a July 25, 2024 City Attorney report and Ordinance to amend LAMC Chapter VIII, Article 1, Section 89.60, to establish a base fine and late payment penalties for a violation of California Vehicle Code Section 22500(m), and a July 29, 2024 LADOT report relative to an overview of the MOU with Metro to use cameras to enforce parking violations in bus lanes and bus stops. According to the City Attorney, if the City Council adopts this Ordinance and if proper signage is then posted, the existing LAMC Section 80.77(d) gives the City authority to tow any vehicle that has been parked or left standing in violation of an official sign prohibiting stopping or parking and giving notice that such vehicle may be removed. According to the LADOT report, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill (AB) 917 into law, amending California Vehicle Code §40240, §40240.5, and §40241 to authorize public transit agencies statewide to implement programs that collect video images of parking violations in bus lanes and zones and partner with local jurisdictions to issue and adjudicate parking citations. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendation contained in the City Attorney report, noted and filed the LADOT report, and added an additional instruction. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Transportation Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

HUTT:	YES
PARK:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES
DE LEON:	ABSENT
RAMAN:	YES

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9/18/24

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