

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to stimulate and encourage the development of ways and means of relieving traffic congestion on the streets of Los Angeles and to encourage the use of buses, jitneys, taxicabs, carpools, and other high occupancy vehicles;

WHEREAS, dedicated transit lanes, or more commonly referred to as bus lanes, play a crucial role in achieving these goals by increasing transit speeds, improving reliability, attracting more riders, and enhancing traffic safety;

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), in consultation with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro), developed 12 transit-only traffic lanes, pursuant to the California Vehicle Code 21655.1(C)(1)(2), within the City of Los Angeles, as identified in Attachment A;

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 80.36.8 authorizes LADOT, subject to approval by resolution of the City Council, to designate the preferential use of traffic lanes in streets and highways under their jurisdiction within the City of Los Angeles and to place and maintain, or cause to be placed and maintained, such appropriate signs, signals, barriers, stanchions or other traffic control devices as may be authorized under the State Vehicle Code or as may be necessary to properly indicate and to carry out the provisions of this section or to warn or guide traffic;

WHEREAS, such preferential use of street lanes shall be based upon competent traffic engineering and surveys and estimates developed or supported by continuing comprehensive transportation planning processes of the city;

WHEREAS, such lanes shall be subject to such geometric design standards, scheduling reservations, restrictions, and conditions as the department deems necessary or desirable for increasing the effectiveness of the street system for the safe and efficient movement of people and goods, for the adequate protection for the safety of operation of all motor vehicle traffic, and to protect the adequacy of the facilities to meet traffic needs;

WHEREAS, widespread violations of transit lane restrictions significantly impede the efficiency, safety, and punctuality of the bus systems operating within the City of Los Angeles, thereby negatively impacting the commuting experience of hundreds of thousands of Angelenos;

WHEREAS, the safety of transit riders is improved when they board or disembark from designated transit stops that are unimpeded by illegally parked vehicles;

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill 917 (Bloom) was signed into law in 2021, granting cities the authority to utilize automated enforcement technologies for parking violations in transit lanes and at transit stops;

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles and LA Metro actively supported the passage of Assembly Bill 917, recognizing its potential to significantly improve transit lane compliance and overall transit efficiency and safety;

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted an ordinance establishing a penalty and fines for the enforcement of transit lane restrictions within the city limits; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that LADOT be authorized to designate the street segments within the City of Los Angeles specified in Attachment A for the preferential use by buses, including transit buses, with an allowance for use by right-turning vehicles, where applicable, and to place and maintain, or cause to be placed and maintained, such appropriate signs, signals, barriers, stanchions or other traffic control devices;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the installation of the required regulatory signs, pavement markings, and curb zones designating the locations in Attachment A for the exclusive use of buses including transit buses, and right turning vehicles, for one or both directions, where applicable, that LADOT be authorized to commence bus lane enforcement activities;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Attorney and LADOT be authorized to make technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

ATTACHMENT A

#	STREET	LIMITS	DIR	HOURS OF OPERATION
<u>EXISTING BUS LANES</u>				
1A	Wilshire Bl.	Centinela Ave. to Barry Ave.	E/W	7A-9A. 4P-7P
1B	Wilshire Bl.	Veteran Ave. to Selby Ave.	E/W	7A-9A. 4P-7P
1C	Wilshire Bl.	Comstock Ave. to BH City Limit	E/W	24/7
1D	Wilshire Bl.	San Vicente Blvd. (BH City Limit) to Park View St.	E/W	7A-9A. 4P-7P
2	Figueroa St.	22nd St. to 7th St.	N	24/7
3	North Spring St.	1st St. to Cesar Chavez Ave.	N	24/7
4	Alameda St.	Aliso St/Commercial St. to El Monte Busway On-ramp	N	24/7
5	Cesar Chavez Ave./Sunset Bl.	Union Sta. Dwy. to Innes Ave.	W	4P-7P M-F (Union Sta. to Broadway is 24/7)
6	Flower St.	8th St. to 27th St.	S	3P-7P M-F
6	Aliso St.	Spring St. to Alameda St.	E/W	24/7
8	5th St.	Central Ave. to Flower St.	W	7A-7P M-F
9	6th St.	Hope St. to Central Ave.	E	7A-7P M-F
10	Olive St.	Pico Bl. to 2nd St.	N	7A-7P M-F
11	Grand Ave.	Hope Pl. to Pico Bl.	S	7A-7P M-F
12	La Brea Ave.	Sunset Bl. to Olympic Bl. (Except Romaine St. to Fountain Ave.)	N/S	7A-9A, 4P-7P M-F