

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I support LADOT's legislative priorities and I'm asking the Rules committee and the full city council to agendize and pass LADOT's legislative priorities. I want our city to be able to set its own speed limits and make the street safer for all. Please consider: 1 - Reforming state law, allowing LA to lower speed limits (it's crazy, but today LA doesn't have control over its own speed limits, and even has to raise speed limits on already dangerous roads!) 2 - Automating speeding tickets using speed safety cameras. Speed is the #1 factor in determining if someone lives or dies when hit by a car, and speed cameras are a proven solution to reduce excessive speeding. Armed officers must be removed from traffic law enforcement, and this is a great way to do it. LADOT has a thoughtful proposal that takes into account privacy and makes sure the burden doesn't fall disproportionately on communities that can least afford it. 3 - Increase legal protections for the most vulnerable road users (pedestrians and cyclists). This would increase civil fines and penalties in the event of crashes caused by carelessness or driver distraction (ex. texting). 4 - Get rid of handicap placard abuse by reforming the benefits they provide and increasing enforcement, so we can preserve handicap spots for those that truly need it. Please support LADOT's legislative priorities, let's get some laws made in Sacramento, and change things in our City! Thank you, Kira Durbin Sherman Oaks (CD4)