

Communication from Public

Name: Stephanie Phillips

Date Submitted: 05/04/2021 12:58 PM

Council File No: 19-0604

Comments for Public Posting: Please vote yes on motion #19-0604. Los Angeles has the worst air in the country. Stopping idling is a direct way to help reduce the pollution and help protect children's health. Air pollution triggers Asthma, which is the number 1 reason children miss school and the 3rd leading reason why children under 15 are hospitalized. Pollution is a matter of life and death.

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Name: Sydney

Date Submitted: 05/04/2021 01:49 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing in support of a motion to write a no idling ordinance for the city of Los Angeles. It's been said that one minute of idling produces more carbon monoxide than three packs of cigarettes. This pollution contains chemicals that can potentially lead to cancer, asthma, dementia, developmental delays and more. It's especially important to refrain from idling on school campuses and parks because kids breathe the air and are more likely to develop negative health problems that can potentially be chronic. It's important that we do as much as possible to keep the air clean and greatly reduce carbon emissions due to the worsening and dangerous climate crisis. For too long, black and brown communities have endured the burden of numerous dangerous health problems from air pollution, making their immune systems weaker and making them over 50% more likely to get sick and or die from COVID-19. Please do the right thing by helping communities reduce carbon emissions and invest in a cleaner energy future, thank you.

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Name: Suzanne Hume

Date Submitted: 05/04/2021 02:16 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear City of Los Angeles Transportation Committee, CleanEarth4Kids.org fully supports motion #19-0604 to prepare and present an ordinance to restrict parked vehicle idling to 1 minute or less and direct LADOT to prepare an education campaign about the new regulation and the dangers of parked vehicle idling. Your leadership in California, taking steps to protect children's health, public health and protect the environment and climate, is essential. According to the American Lung Association, State of the Air Report, 2020, Los Angeles has the worst ozone in the nation, the 4th year-round particle pollution and 6th in short-term particle pollution. 27 other states and the District of Columbia already have laws restricting idling. Please pass an ordinance to limit vehicle idling less than 1 minute. (Examples of 30 second ordinances in cities in Utah, etc. are found on our CleanEarth4Kids.org website.) We believe an ordinance and an educational campaign are necessary. Our youth, interns and leadership would be delighted to speak with staff to discuss sharing our extensive No Idling resources for no cost. (Our No Idling page can be found on CleanEarth4Kids.org Team 3. It includes a No Idling Resource Packet in English and Spanish. Our No Idling Contest page and other resources are also available.) We developed No Idling materials because car exhaust is toxic. Air pollution is linked to asthma, decreased lung function, cardiac disease, cancer, and other serious health problems. Asthma is the most common chronic illness among children, the largest cause of school absences, and is the third leading cause of hospitalization among children under the age of 15 years. Asthma disproportionately affects communities of color, making this a racial, social and environmental social injustice issue. 1 minute of idling puts more carbon monoxide into the air than smoking 3 packs of cigarettes, as stated in California resolution ACR-160 Motor Vehicle Idling: Children. Children's lungs are still developing and are especially at risk of developing health problems when they are exposed to elevated levels of pollutants. Monitoring at schools shows higher levels of benzene, formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and other air toxics during the afternoon hour when parents pick up their children. The public must be aware that exhaust from gasoline and diesel powered vehicles contribute significantly to air pollution, including

greenhouse gases, ozone formation, and fine particulates that harm health. Idling more than 10 seconds uses more fuel and emits more pollutants than turning a warm engine off and on again. We must work together to reduce vehicle idling. Over 3.8 million gallons of fuel are burned every day in the United States because of idling and each year in the United States, idling causes 30 million tons of CO₂, carbon dioxide, to go into the air. 27% of greenhouse gasses in the United States come from transportation. The idling of motor vehicles contributes to climate change. Please take a leadership role in California to protect children by reducing air pollution in Los Angeles, preparing and presenting an ordinance to restrict parked vehicle idling to 1 minute or less, and directing LADOT to prepare an education campaign about the new regulation and the dangers of parked vehicle idling. Children need clean air to breathe. Car idling harms the air that children breathe, the water that they drink. We must protect children's health, public health and our air, water, land, wildlife, ecosystems and resources. Sincerely, Suzanne M. Hume
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May 4, 2021

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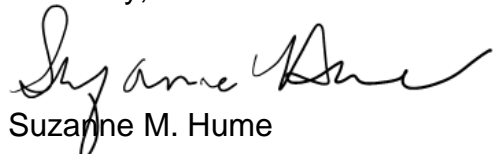
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