

## Communication from Public

**Name:** John Blevins

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 03:15 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0870

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council, Our streets in Los Angeles are designed like highways - they are extremely wide, and when drivers feel like they have a wide open road, they tend to drive faster. Street racing has become a particular problem in the city, taking advantage of our street design. I am highly supportive of the City re-designing streets to discourage bad behavior by drivers - including street racing. Specifically, I encourage the city to narrow lanes, add bus lanes, add landscaped medians, intersection roundabouts, and many, many, many more bike lanes (these interventions can also calm speeding cars down). Also, please consider adding other things like, one-way streets (especially Pico & Olympic like we did for the 1984 Olympics and we should do again permanently), chicanes, and the timing of traffic lights that doesn't allow for uninterrupted speeding traffic. Thank you, John Blevins Los Angeles, CA 90019

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kelly Wright

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 02:11 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council, Our streets in Los Angeles are designed like highways - they are extremely wide, and when drivers feel like they have a wide open road, they tend to drive faster. Street racing has become a particular problem in the city, taking advantage of our street design. My neighborhood and street have been particularly ravaged by street racing on Sunday evenings, leading to the deaths of several racers, exhaust on our streets weekly and significant noise pollution. I am highly supportive of the City re-designing streets to discourage bad behavior by drivers - including street racing. Specifically, I encourage the city to narrow lanes, add bus and bike lanes (these interventions can also calm speeding cars down), and add other things like speed tables and speed bumps and chicanes. Thank you, Kelly Wright, MD  
Los Angeles, 90035

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Thurmon

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 02:12 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0870

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council, Safe street aren't created through individual choices, they are engineered. Our streets in Los Angeles are designed like highways - they are extremely wide, and when drivers feel like they have a wide open road, they tend to drive faster. Street racing has become a particular problem in the city, taking advantage of our street design. I am highly supportive of the City re-designing streets to discourage bad behavior by drivers - including street racing. Specifically, I encourage the city to narrow lanes, add bus and bike lanes (these interventions can also calm speeding cars down), and add other things like speed tables and speed bumps, chicanes, and the timing of traffic lights that doesn't allow for uninterrupted speeding traffic. Lives are depending on this. Thank you, Thurmon Los Angeles, 90019

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ben Creed

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 05:19 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0870

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council, Too many of our streets in Los Angeles are designed like highways - they are extremely wide, and when drivers feel like they have a wide open road, they tend to drive faster. Street racing has become a particular problem in the city. I am highly supportive of the City re-designing streets to discourage dangerous behavior such as street racing. Specifically, I encourage the city to narrow lanes, add bus and bike lanes (which also reduce speeding), and add other elements including such as speed tables, speed bumps, chicanes, and the timing of traffic lights to prevent speeding. Thank you, Ben Creed Valley Village, 91607

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Carol Springer

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 04:00 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0870

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council members , I am a 79 year old woman. Since so many passengers on the subway ride unmasked, or are just crowded into the subway cars, I increasingly rely on my bicycle to transport my shopping and to visit family and parks. As often as possible I choose roads with less traffic, but there is always a part of the journey that requires me to ride along side speeding traffic and often racing drivers. Today one of them - with a child in their car - raced past me with a few inches to "spare" and nearly collided with a cyclist in front of me. Despite my efforts to choose lower traffic roads and lower traffic travel times, I also have to cross intersections with very wide streets where drivers feel compelled to drive fast just to keep pace with other drivers. There are often several blocks between traffic lights so crossing a wide road -usually a boulevard that resembles a highway - is a terrifying experience. When I'm on a bicycle at least I can cross faster than I can when I'm walking and am even more vulnerable. With increasing frequency there are drivers who seem to enjoy accelerating and gunning their engines as they approach me and other cyclists. I strongly support insisting that the city create less space for cars and more space for bus and bike lanes. Time the traffic lights so drivers on city can't drive like they're on a highway. Add more intersections so pedestrians don't have to walk for blocks to cross the road (Silver Lake, Los Felix, Burbank Boulevards are a few that immediately come to mind). I urge each of you council members to advocate for creating streets that are safer for ALL of us. Carol Springer Los Angeles, 90004

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Emily

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 07:29 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council, I'm reaching as a resident in CD9 and I would like to voice support of re-designing streets to prevent street racing and other driving behavior at high speeds. Our streets in Los Angeles are designed like highways - they are extremely wide, and when drivers feel like they have a wide open road, they tend to drive faster. Even when they turn onto narrower residential streets, their behavior doesn't stop. Street racing has become a particular problem in the city, taking advantage of our street design. I am highly supportive of the City re-designing streets to discourage bad behavior by drivers - including street racing. Street racing is common near my neighborhood and there have been fatal injuries -- a young boy was fatally injured at a hit-and-run in August 2019 because the driver sped through the intersection. Specifically, I encourage the city to narrow lanes, add bus and bike lanes (these interventions can also calm speeding cars down), and add other things like speed tables and speed bumps, chicanes, and the timing of traffic lights that doesn't allow for uninterrupted speeding traffic. Thank you, Emily Los Angeles 90011

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lorenzo M

**Date Submitted:** 08/15/2021 07:04 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear City Council, Our streets in Los Angeles are designed like highways - they are extremely wide, and when drivers feel like they have a wide open road, they tend to drive faster. Street racing has become a particular problem in the city, taking advantage of our street design. I am highly supportive of the City re-designing streets to discourage bad behavior by drivers - including street racing. Specifically, I encourage the city to narrow lanes, add bus and bike lanes (these interventions can also calm speeding cars down), and add other things like speed tables and speed bumps, chicanes, and the timing of traffic lights that doesn't allow for uninterrupted speeding traffic. I'm glad we're taking a more proactive approach that actually considers what makes street racing appealing in most parts of LA-- the extremely wide streets. One such example- out of many- is the wide stretch of Roscoe between Coldwater Canyon and Ventura Canyon in Sun Valley. This street serves as a funnel to the 170 and all drivers speed up and down the stretch with all sorts of consequences-- crashes at Ventura Canyon and Roscoe, drag racing late at night, etc. Not to mention that walking this stretch is a painful experience because of the road noise, lack of shade, and radiant heat from the roadway. In summary, when designing our roads to deter racing, consider ways to slow down cars and make alternative travel more appealing and easier at the same time.  
Lorenzo M Panorama City, 91402