

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to codifying equestrian networks and horse trails as part of the amended Mobility Plan 2035 and its accompanying Complete Streets Design Guide (Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 17.05).

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Rodriguez – Lee):

INSTRUCT the City Planning Department (CPD), in consultation with the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), Department of Building and Safety, and the City Attorney, to report with recommendations to codify a dedication process for a network of equestrian trails similar to the street dedication process that applies to both by-right and discretionary development, is administered during the Plan Check permitting process, and includes design standards and provisions for maintenance.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(The Planning and Land Use Management Committee waived consideration of the above matter.)

Summary:

On April 12, 2022, your Committee considered a Motion (Rodriguez – Lee) relative to codifying equestrian networks and horse trails as part of the amended Mobility Plan 2035 and its accompanying Complete Streets Design Guide (LAMC Section 17.05). According to the Motion, on January 20, 2016, Council adopted the amended Mobility Plan 2035 (Council File No. 15- 0719-S15). The amended Mobility Plan 2035 is a comprehensive revision of the 1999 Transportation Element, which seeks to relieve traffic gridlock by giving people a range of transportation choices. Also, among various transportation policy objectives, the amended Mobility Plan 2035 reclassified arterials citywide to better fit particular neighborhood circumstances, through a series of transportation networks for automobiles, buses, trains, bicycles, and pedestrians.

Many neighborhoods in the San Fernando Valley have a long-standing tradition of equine keeping. The City must continue to establish policies to protect, preserve and enhance this tradition. Many Valley equestrian communities enjoy a network of public equestrian trails for use and safe travel by riders. Oftentimes, however, equestrian trail connections are constructed as part of a project that makes its way through the City's development process. The Complete Streets Design Guide accompanies the amended Mobility Plan 2035, outlining the vision for designing safe, accessible, and vibrant streets in the City. The guide compiles design concepts and best practices that promote safe and accessible

streets, and can be modified as best practices and innovations in street design continue to evolve; and its oversight falls under the authority of the CPD, LADOT, and BOE (LAMC Section 17.05, Design Standards). A plausible alternative approach to the existing implementation of equestrian trail connections, is to codify equestrian networks and horse trails as part of the amended Mobility Plan 2035 street design standards, and plan check permitting process. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendation contained in the Motion. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Transportation Committee



COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	ABSENT
BUSCAINO:	YES

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