

Communication from Public

Name: Sara Steffan

Date Submitted: 01/24/2023 08:31 AM

Council File No: 22-1476

Comments for Public Posting: I support this motion. We need to end street widening and automatic street dedications. They ruin our city and make our roads more costly to maintain, hurting taxpayers without offering any material benefit. I live in Van Nuys where we have an outrageous amount of wide streets, which does not alleviate traffic congestion and allows for drag racing at all hours of the evening, affecting the community's safety and creating noise pollution, making our city less livable. It also creates more asphalt to increase temperatures during our hot summers. Please pass this motion!

Communication from Public

Name: Milos Jovanovic

Date Submitted: 01/24/2023 08:41 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the motion to end mandatory spot widening for developers. In my experience as a multi-modal user (driver, biker, transit user, walker), I find that spot-widening makes streets wider, more dangerous, and less hospitable. Wider streets don't contribute to better traffic throughput, as traffic is limited by the "choke point" - the narrowest street width on the vehicle's path. In that sense, spot widening does nothing to alleviate traffic. On the other hand, it contributes greatly to an increased urban heat island effect in Los Angeles, putting a strain on our electric grid during summer months and on our public health. Widening increases the distance pedestrians are required to walk, making it more dangerous particularly for older or disabled people. In that sense, it is also a discriminatory measure as it adversely affects a protected class. Finally, spot widening makes it difficult to design cohesive streetscapes, which in turn increase user satisfaction and contribute to rising property values. I strongly urge the council to vote an end to mandatory spot widening. Thank you.

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Name: Michael Curley

Date Submitted: 01/24/2023 06:15 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support this motion. We need to end street widening and automatic street dedications. They ruin our city and make our roads more congested, polluted, and costly to maintain, not to mention dangerous. Street widening encourages speeding in residential areas and reduces sidewalk widths for pedestrians. LA's sidewalks are already far too narrow and should maintain their widths to allow for street tree plantings.

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Name: Matthew Glenn

Date Submitted: 01/24/2023 07:14 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I fully support this motion. Street widening shouldn't be a thing. Our roads are already dangerous and congested as it is. Widening streets will only make it worse. Adding to that we get increased level of road noise and pollution, along with increased maintenance costs and removal of greenspace. I don't see how street widening is at all a positive thing. Please stop building the city around cars. Public transit, bicycles, and pedestrian traffic should be the focus.

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Name: Peter Bonilla

Date Submitted: 01/24/2023 03:08 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support this motion. Street widening and automatic street dedications are destructive, car centric and idiotic policies. They exacerbate congestion, pollution and make life even more miserable for people who are not in cars.

Communication from Public

Name: Brenda

Date Submitted: 01/23/2023 06:26 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support ending the policy for street widening. Street widening makes our neighborhoods less pedestrian friendly and more dangerous.

Communication from Public

Name: Karen Draper

Date Submitted: 01/23/2023 07:16 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the motion to end automatic street widening. Our residential streets do not need random wide sections, they need more street trees, less traffic, and less speeding cars.

Communication from Public

Name: Jill alpert

Date Submitted: 01/23/2023 05:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: It seems that I should be uncomfortable living in my own city. I would like those people that are on house to find suitable housing, and I would like to be able to walk the streets with my city and not be uncomfortable.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 01/23/2023 06:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support this motion against street widening. We need to end street widening and automatic street dedications. They negatively change our city and make our roads more congested, polluted, and costly to maintain. They also make our roads more dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians and ultimately do nothing to less traffic, it is even likely that they make traffic worse due to induced demand. Thank you.