

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** As a citizen who (stupidly or bravely) consciously chooses to walk, bike and take transit over car driving, despite the lack of safe connected infrastructure, I fully support this motion. LA can and should be a world class city that welcomes people of all ages and abilities, from 8 to 80+ years old to easily, efficiently, safely and independently get to Point A to B by walking, biking or transiting. Not everyone, due to age, disability and finances are able to own and operate a car safely. The world is in a climate crisis, LA will be hosting the 2028 Olympics- LA desperately needs to build permanent infrastructure that prioritizes, enables and supports more efficient modes of transportation (walk, bike, transit) over the status quo, mostly single occupant car drivers making traffic, increasing global warming and air/micro plastic pollution. We need to dramatically stream line and speed up transportation projects for walking, biking and transiting. Over 43K people are killed and 2.5 million people are disabled/maimed by car drivers every year in the US. That's equivalent to multiple plane crashes everyday. Car drivers are the #2 cause of children being killed in the US. Building new sidewalks, a connected network of PROTECTED/Separated Bike Lanes and Bus Only Lanes needs to be prioritized starting today. Everyday, lives are needlessly lost or irreparably damaged due to LA delaying critical safety improvements. Santa Monica is able to build 4-5 blocks of 3D cement printed PROTECTED Bike Lanes with protected intersections in one day. By 2028 Olympics, LA can build thousands of miles of actual cement PROTECTED connected network of Bike Lanes. LA has no excuse!