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Comments for Public Posting: LADOT report relative to the status of the Vision Zero Program, implementation strategy, and 2019 program accomplishments; and, current plans for priority corridors and priority intersections, the Complete Streets Reconstruction Program, California Department of Transportation coordination, and community engagement. A true Vision Zero program needs to be supported and implemented. Los Angeles supposedly "committed" to Vision Zero but not in any real comprehensive tangible effective measures to meet the goal of reducing traffic killings and severe injuries while increasing access to safe equitable mobility space for all- not just people in cars. Per Vision Zero- traffic deaths (killings) are PREVENTABLE (vs traffic deaths are inevitable), integrate HUMAN FAILING in approach (vs expect PERFECT human behavior), Prevent FATAL and SEVERE CRASHES (vs prevent COLLISIONS), SYSTEMS approach (vs INDIVIDUAL responsibility) , saving lives is NOT EXPENSIVE. Los Angeles has a terrible known and predictable traffic problem caused by people in cars. If you are in a car in traffic- You are the Traffic and You are the Cause of the Traffic. The only solution to traffic is by a carrot and stick method that has proven it works worldwide and in the US- build and provide access to cheap, safe, clean and efficient alternative modes of transportation- separate bus and bicycle (scooter) lanes, wide sidewalks. Slow down driving speed on all streets, signalized traffic lights to 25 sph, variable congestive pricing, main streets- remove street parking and build large parking structures (like in Santa Monica). Emergency vehicles utilize the separate bus lanes and not get delayed in traffic. Driving/sitting in a car is a known public safety issue for the driver and the people who walk/bicycle/navigate around the cars. Cars are the new tobacco. Increased stress, physical inactivity, obesity, traffic related air pollution and climate change. Driving/sitting in traffic is a public safety issue for the person in the car and the people walking/biking/navigating who are being killed and injured by car drivers and experiencing increased stress, direct exposure to traffic related air pollution and climate change directly caused by people in cars causing the traffic. A true Vision Zero must be implemented to ensure the health and safety of all Los Angeles citizens.