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Bike lanes provide dedicated space for bicyclists, as well as ease of passing for motorists. In order to work effectively, however, motor vehicles, including delivery trucks, should not park in bike lanes. Unfortunately, there does not seem to be any specific Los Angeles Municipal Code Section that directly prohibits parking in bike lanes. If an individual does so, traffic officers enforce California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 22500.H (double parking) or (CVC) 22502.A. If a situation warrants, traffic officers may impound the vehicle in both situations under (CVC) Section 22651.B (traffic hazard). It seems that as the City encourages residents to use modes of transportation other than the single occupant vehicles, we should do everything possible to support bicyclists.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the Department of Transportation to report on the need to amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code to add a section that would explicitly prohibit an motor vehicle from parking in a bike lane in the City of Los Angeles.

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