

## COMMUNICATION

**TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**

**File No. 10-1449**

**FROM: COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KORETZ, VICE-CHAIR  
COUNCILMEMBER TOM LABONGE  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

COMMUNICATION FROM VICE-CHAIR AND MEMBER, TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE relative to the feasibility of implementing bicycle stairs on outdoor City stairways.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE Motion (LaBonge – Garcetti) instructing the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to report on the feasibility of implementing bicycle stairs on outdoor City stairways.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by DOT. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

### Summary:

On August 10, 2012, Council considered Motion (LaBonge – Garcetti) relative to the feasibility of implementing bicycle stairs on outdoor City stairways. Motion states that a bicycle stairway is a pedestrian stairway that has a channel alongside it to facilitate walking a bicycle up or down the stairway. Bicycle stairs likely arose in reaction to wear and compaction beside outdoor stairways where bicyclists roll the bicycle up or down instead of carrying it or having it bump along the stairs. As the City implements new programs and projects to encourage bicycling as a viable mode of transportation, LADOT should examine the feasibility of implementing bicycle stairs on outdoor City stairways. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At the Transportation Committee meeting held September 12, 2012, Committee Vice-Chair and member discussed this matter with LADOT staff. Department staff reported that bicycle stairs are feasible. The Department is working with the Bureau of Street Services on such a project located at Waverly and Riverside Drives. The Committee members recommended that Council approve Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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PAUL KORETZ, VICE-CHAIR  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

TOM LABONGE, MEMBER  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ROSENDAHL:	ABSENT
KORETZ:	YES
PARKS:	ABSENT
LABONGE:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT