TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to prohibiting the parking of vehicles displaying for sale signs or placards advertising the private sale of vehicles along several street segments in the community of Wilmington.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Buscaino – Ryu):

REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance amending Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 87.55 to prohibit the parking of vehicles displaying for sale signs or placards advertising the private sale of vehicles along East Anaheim Street between South Figueroa and Alameda Streets, Island Avenue between West I and West Anaheim Streets, and North Lagoon Avenue between West Sandison Street and Pacific Coast Highway.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

On May 8, 2019, Council considered Motion (Buscaino – Ryu) prohibiting the parking of vehicles displaying for sale signs or placards advertising the private sale of vehicles along several street segments in the community of Wilmington. Motion states that the critical shortage of on-street parking along several street segments in the Wilmington community is exacerbated by individuals parking vehicles for the sole purpose of displaying them for private sale. The congregation of these vehicles is also creating vehicular and pedestrian traffic hazards and traffic congestion along these streets.

Motion recommends that Council request the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to prohibit the parking of vehicles displaying for sale signs or placards advertising the private sale of vehicles along East Anaheim Street between South Figueroa and Alameda Streets, Island Avenue between West I and West Anaheim Streets, and North Lagoon Avenue between West Sandison Street and Pacific Coast Highway. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held August 28, 2019, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with representatives of the 15th Council District Office and the City Attorney. The representative of the Council Office stated that cars parked with for-sale signs is an on-going problem, impacting residents and businesses located along the street segments listed above. All other attempts to alleviate the problem have been exhausted. In a letter to the Council Office dated August 22, 2019, the Los Angeles Police Department discusses public safety concerns and other nuisance activities associated with the parking of vehicles with for sale signs along these street segments, and expresses support for Motion's recommendation. The City Attorney's representative stated that the findings necessary to draft the ordinance have been made. Committee recommended that Council approve Motion.

Respectfully Submitted,
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEMBER    VOTE
BONIN:      YES
MARTINEZ:   YES
KORETZ:     ABSENT
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