

MOTION

The Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 80.73.3 prohibits a person or entity from selling, leasing, reserving any street, parking space or other public space without written authorization from the City. Several new web-based car sharing/rental companies, however, are storing their vehicles in the public right-of-way. Due to resource constraints at the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), it is difficult to enforce this Section of the LAMC.

In an effort to address this problem in an efficient and effective manner, the City should expand the authority of Bureau of Street Services (BSS) investigators to cover all public right-of-way issues. BSS investigators are trained in general law enforcement techniques and all certified graduates of the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Penal Code 832 Course and have all completed Level III Reserve Police Officer Academy Training. These investigators also complete the California Environmental Protection Agency's Basic Inspectors Academy. BSS Investigators, however, are currently limited to the investigation and enforcement of illegal dumping issues by the LAMC. Amending the LAMC to give BSS Investigators the authority to enforce all laws related to the public right-of-way would enable the City to ensure that laws and ordinances related to the use of the public right-of-way are enforced within existing resources.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council request the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance that amends Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 61.07(a) to allow the Bureau of Street Services Investigators to enforce any and all laws related to the use or misuse of the public right-of-way, including the use of the public right-of-way by rental companies for storage.

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