

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to creating an education campaign about new vehicle idling regulations and the dangers of parked vehicle idling.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Koretz - Harris-Dawson):

DIRECT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to report relative to the creation of a robust marketing campaign, similar in scope and scale to Save The Drop, in order to provide widespread education about the impacts of parked vehicle idling, including worsening air and climate pollution, its overall health consequences such as heart and lung disease and worsening responses to COVID infection, the importance of zero emissions transportation, and funding to implement this campaign, including from State agencies, including the California Air Resources Board, foundations, and other sources.

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For: Los Feliz Neighborhood Council
Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council
Historic Cultural Neighborhood Council
Encino Neighborhood Council
Mar Vista Community Neighborhood Council
Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council
Palms Neighborhood Council
Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council
West Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Del Rey Neighborhood Council

For, if amended: Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

On June 5, 2019, Council considered Motion (Koretz - Harris-Dawson) relative to restricting parked vehicle idling. Motion states that parked vehicle idling in California contributes approximately 3 million tons of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere annually. The 2019 State of the Air report found increases in unhealthy ozone and particle pollution in Los Angeles, and the most recent inventory of greenhouse gas emissions found that California's transportation emissions have risen while other categories have decreased. Motion movers believe that a significant amount of these emissions could be mitigated by a simple change of habit by the driving public: seriously reducing parked

vehicle idling immediately, except in the case of public safety and where other vehicles by law or policy must idle under certain circumstances.

Motion goes on to state that parked vehicle idling is an unnecessary and inefficient habit that increases air and climate pollution. New York City and eight states have enacted legislation that bans or restricts parked vehicle idling for all vehicles. California has focused its idling laws on heavy duty vehicles like diesel trucks. Motion movers believe that a City law to apply idling limits to all vehicles would complement the state's law while allowing improving enforcement. Motion recommends that Council request the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to restrict parked vehicle idling to one minute or less, and to direct LADOT to launch an education campaign on the new regulations and the dangers of parked vehicle idling. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held May 4, 2021, the Transportation Committee considered this matter. During the public comment period, speakers expressed strong support for the Motion and the need to act to improve air quality in the City of Los Angeles. Councilmember Koretz modified the Motion to delete the recommendation that Council request the City Attorney prepare an ordinance. Committee recommended that Council approve Motion, as amended, to instruct LADOT to report with an education program on the new regulations and the dangers of parked vehicle idling.

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES

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Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE



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