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Summary: The Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa is in support of pursuing adoption of electric vehicles (EV) in Los Angeles. The Los Angeles World Airport (LAWA) consolidated Rent-A-Car (ConRAC) facility will provide parking for 18,000 rental vehicles managed by over 20 rental companies renting over 1,000,000 vehicles per year. The Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa strongly supports the motion put forth by Councilmembers Koretz and Bonin regarding creation of additional EV capacity at the future ConRAC. Recent studies estimate that electric vehicles will be cheaper to buy than comparable gas vehicles by 2025. With only 200 electric vehicle charging stations currently planned, ConRAC would not be able to support the anticipated ratio of electric vehicles in service by 2025. Building in electrical infrastructure now to support future EV charging is as much as 50% cheaper than retrofitting years later. Now is the time to assess the feasibility and requirements to support a capacity of 80% EVs by 2024. If feasible and practicable, the positive impact to air quality, fast charging station availability, and reduction in noise pollution in and around Westchester and Playa Del Rey would be significant. By completing the requested assessments, our community would also have a much better understanding of the impacts of these 1,000,000 vehicle rentals per year entering and leaving our neighborhoods. We also request that the city closely review the fire and life safety impacts of having so many electric vehicles in the same location in the case of a fire. Because these types of car batteries burn hotter and longer than traditional cars, it is important for the city to undertake this analysis as it works to increase the airport's capacity for housing electric vehicles.