

TRANSPORTATION

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Bicycle tourism is a large and growing segment of the economy. Nationally, the Outdoor Industry Association estimates that bicycle tourists spend \$83 billion per year on trip-related expenses. In 2009, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) adopted the National Corridor Plan to develop a network of U.S. Bicycle Routes connecting major cities across the country to promote bicycle tourism. To date, over 14,000 route miles have been officially designated in 27 states and Washington, DC.

Two proposed U.S. Bicycle Routes pass through the City of Los Angeles. U.S. Bicycle Route 95 begins at the Canadian border and follows the Pacific Coast to Mexico. U.S. Bicycle Route 66 begins in Chicago and follows the historic Route 66 to Santa Monica. In California, the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is responsible for working with local jurisdictions to designate official routes. Caltrans has requested that the City of Los Angeles officially recognize the routes in its jurisdiction.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to send a letter to Caltrans supporting the local designation of U.S. Bicycle Routes 95 and 66 in the City of Los Angeles.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council direct LADOT, in coordination with StreetsLA, to install, at a minimum, sharrows and Bikes May Use Full Lane signs to close gaps in existing bicycle facilities along the designated routes.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council direct LADOT to install wayfinding signage consistent with the U.S. Bicycle Route system along the designated routes.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council direct LADOT to report back with options to further enhance bicycle infrastructure and promote bicycle tourism along the designated routes.

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