An ordinance amending Section 80.56, Division "L" of Chapter VIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to authorize the Department of Transportation to install, operate, and regulate Zero-Emission Vehicle Commercial Loading Zones for exclusive use and access by zero-emission commercial delivery vehicles.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subsection (b) of Section 80.56 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(b) The Department of Transportation (Department) is authorized to install commercial loading zones at locations where it determines that hazards would be reduced, access to property improved, and impedance to traffic reduced. In addition, the Department is authorized to install, operate, and regulate Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Commercial Loading Zones for the exclusive use and access by zero-emission commercial delivery vehicles, including, but not limited to, light electric freight vehicles. For purposes of this subsection, ZEV means a vehicle that produces no emissions of criteria pollutants, toxic air contaminants, and greenhouse gases when stationary or operating, as determined by the California Air Resources Board. For purposes of this section, Light Electric Freight Vehicle (LEFV) means an electric bike, moped, or compact vehicle with electric assistance or drive mechanism, designed for the distribution of commercial freight, goods, or parcels, capable of a maximum speed of 28 miles per hour. LEVF's include electric cargo bikes (E-Cargo Bikes), with two or more wheels, designed to carry up to a maximum of 770 pounds for the delivery of commercial freight, goods, or parcels.

Sec. 2. Subdivision 2 of Subsection (e) of Section 80.56 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle in a commercial loading zone, except that commercial vehicles may stop or stand for the purpose of loading or unloading freight for the time necessary therefor, but not to exceed 30 minutes, except as provided in Section 88.01.1 of this chapter. Passenger vehicles may stop or stand for the purpose of loading or unloading passengers and their personal baggage, and then only for the time necessary therefor but in no event for more than five minutes. Such commercial loading zones shall be in effect during the hours and on the days indicated by posted signs, or if none, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday.

Exception: ZEV Commercial Loading Zone. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle, commercial or otherwise, in a ZEV Commercial Loading Zone designated for the exclusive use by zero-emission commercial delivery vehicles. However, a zero-emission commercial delivery vehicle also may stop,
stand or park in a Commercial Loading Zone. A commercial delivery vehicle in either zone, shall stop, stand or park only for the purpose of loading or unloading freight, goods, or parcels for the time necessary to do so, but not for a period exceeding 30 minutes, except in a ZEV Commercial Loading Zone for a maximum of one hour where signs indicating a one hour limit are posted, and except as provided in Section 88.01.1 of this chapter. ZEV Commercial Loading Zones shall be in effect during the hours and on days indicated by posted signs, or if none, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sec. 3. Subdivision 2 of Subsection (f) of Section 80.56 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2. Commercial Loading Zones when designated by painted curbs shall be YELLOW and stenciled “Commercial Loading Only,” or “Zero-Emission Vehicle Commercial Loading Only” when designated exclusively for use by zero-emission commercial delivery vehicles.

Sec. 4. Subdivision 5 of Subsection (f) of Section 80.56 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

5. Official signs using standard colors and legends may be posted by the Department in lieu of painting the curbs.

(a) ZEV Commercial Loading Zones dedicated for the exclusive use by zero-emission commercial delivery vehicles shall be marked with official signs and/or painted curbs.
Sec. 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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