Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is name is Scott and I live in El Sereno and I want to encourage the Council to direct the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to resume parking enforcement for previously suspended parking infractions and proposed economic relief measures for parking fines as recommended by the Transportation Commission. Since the City suspended enforcement of parking there has been in an increase in the number of people parking and staying for months at a time at particular locations in residential neighborhoods. Many of the people who park and stay use the adjacent sidewalk and street right-of-way (ROW) as their own personal property. They are using the sidewalk to sit, cook, store items, drink and use drugs in the ROW. The use of the ROW in this way detracts from the quality of life for residents in the neighborhood. Also, the use of the ROW as "living space" is also public health concern because people are leaving trash and human waste in the ROW. In addition, there has been an increase in people dumping cars for months at a time on residential streets. Abandoned cars also contributes to the decline of the residential neighborhoods. I have used 311 to address both issues and nothing has been done. Prior to the suspension of parking enforcement, LADOT did a wonderful job of enforcing parking and removing abandoned vehicles. In order to maintain the quality of life for residents, I encourage the Council to resume the enforcement of parking regulations starting October 1. Thank you.