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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

September 16, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

37 September 16, 2025

EDWARD YEN  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA  
AMENDMENT TO TITLE 15 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC  
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES  
FOR VARIOUS PARKING RESTRICTIONS  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3-VOTES)**

### SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to amend Title 15 – Vehicles and Traffic of the Los Angeles County Code by modifying and adding provisions to Chapter 15.200. The amendment will establish civil penalties for violations of parking restrictions adjacent to marked and unmarked crosswalks and transit bus lanes, and for vehicles that violate the existing nonconforming vehicle ordinance.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the proposed ordinance amendment and posting or removing the corresponding regulatory and advisory signage are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Introduce, waive reading, and place on a future agenda for the adoption of a proposed amendment that amends Title 15 – Vehicles and Traffic of the Los Angeles County Code to modify Section 15.200.010, establishing civil penalties for California Vehicle Code, Section 22500(m), which prohibits stopping, parking, and standing of vehicles in designated public transit bus lanes, at \$250 plus applicable fees; California Vehicle Code Section 22500(n), which prohibits stopping, parking, and standing of vehicles adjacent to marked and unmarked crosswalks, at \$50 plus applicable fees;

and Los Angeles County Code, Section 15.64.075, which prohibits the parking of all nonconforming vehicles on certain public roadways, at \$50 plus applicable fees. The civil penalties proposed are in alignment with existing civil penalties for similar violations.

3. Approve the ordinance amendment that amends Title 15 – Vehicles and Traffic of the Los Angeles County Code to modify Section 15.200.010.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to amend the Los Angeles County Code to establish penalties for violations related to pedestrian safety, transit access, and nonconforming vehicles. To align the existing provisions in the California Vehicle Code (CVC) and the Los Angeles County Code, Public Works is recommending these actions to establish civil penalties for violations to allow law enforcement to enforce necessary fines and address improper parking. These actions will benefit all users of our roadways and will support Public Works' transportation priorities to improve street safety and expand transportation choices.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 2, Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities, Focus Area Goal D, Sustainability, Strategy I, Climate Health, by supporting multimodal transportation investments that improve safety and mobility, reduce traffic congestion, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no net cost to the County General Fund as the proposed new penalties may result in slightly increased revenue due to additional enforcement. Funding is included in the Road Fund (B03 – Services and Supplies) Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget to cover the minor costs of installing and/or removing the necessary signs and markings.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The CVC Section 22507(a) authorizes the Board, by ordinance, to prohibit or restrict the stopping, parking, or standing of vehicles on certain streets or highways, or portions thereof during all or certain hours of the day. The CVC Section 22500(m) requires that a person shall not stop, park, or leave a vehicle standing on an unincorporated highway that has been designated for the exclusive use of public transit. The CVC Section 22500(n) requires that a person shall not stop, park, or leave standing a vehicle within 20 feet of the vehicle approach side of any marked or unmarked crosswalk or within 15 feet of any crosswalk where a curb extension is present. The analysis of this ordinance approved by County Counsel is enclosed (Enclosure A).

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed ordinance amendment to establish penalties for various parking restrictions adjacent to crosswalk and bus lanes and improper parking of nonconforming vehicles, including the installation or removal of related signage is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California

Environmental Quality Act. These activities are within the existing right of way with no expansion of use nor addition of automobile lanes and are within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, and Class 1(x)(7) of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board. In addition, based on the proposed project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

Upon the Board's approval of the recommended actions, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in accordance with Section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

There will be no negative impacts to current County services or projects during the implementation of the proposed ordinance amendment. The implementation of the proposed amendment will provide legal justification to cite traffic violations that are consistent with the California Vehicle Code, while enhancing pedestrian safety and the dependability of transit services.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to Public Works, Traffic Safety and Mobility Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Christine Frias)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

## ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Section 15.200.010 of Title 15 – Vehicles and Traffic – of the Los Angeles County Code, to establish penalties for various parking restrictions in accordance with recently adopted State statutes and to enhance enforcement of the existing Nonconforming Vehicle Ordinance.

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Requested: 02/20/25  
Revised: 05/23/25

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

An ordinance amending Title 15 – Vehicles and Traffic – of the Los Angeles County Code, to establish penalties for various parking restrictions in accordance with recently adopted State statutes and to enhance enforcement of the existing Nonconforming Vehicle Ordinance.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Section 15.200.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

**15.200.010 Civil Penalties for Violations of Parking Laws.**

A. The schedule of parking penalties for violations of provisions of the Los Angeles County Code is as follows:

Section	Description	Penalty
15.20.070	FAILURE TO OBEY SIGNS/CURB MARKINGS	\$50.00
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15.64.070	WEST HOLLYWOOD 48-HOUR PARKING LIMIT	\$35.00
<u>15.64.075</u>	<u>NONCONFORMING VEHICLE—PARKING RESTRICTION</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
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B. The schedule of penalties for violations of standing and parking laws contained in the Vehicle Code of the State of California is as follows:

Section	Description	Penalty
4000(a)	REGISTRATION REQUIRED	\$60.00
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22500(l)	PARKING DISABLED ACCESS RAMP	\$250.00
<u>22500(m)</u>	<u>PARKING IN BUS LANE</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
<u>22500(n)</u>	<u>PARKING ADJACENT TO CROSSWALK - DAYLIGHTING</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
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