



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Community Impact Statement



TITLE: [Council File 23-1196 \(Driverless Autonomous Vehicle Operations / Paid-Passenger Services / California Public Utilities Commission \(CPUC\) / Resolution TL-19145 and TL19144 / Waymo LLC / Cruise LLC\)](#)

COMMITTEE: Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (T&I) Committee

POSITION: SUPPORT

THE MOTION: The Mar Vista Community Council supports the City Attorney to apply for a re-hearing on the California Public Utilities Commission's decisions on Resolution [TL-19145](#) and TL19144 with regards to autonomous vehicle technologies and roll-out.

BACKGROUND: Autonomous vehicle (AV) technologies are continuing to improve and are increasingly testing and operating on public streets. A recent decision by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) granted Waymo LLC and Cruise LLC licenses to operate driverless AV service within the Bay Area. However, one month later the San Francisco City Attorney filed a request to the CPUC for a rehearing of this decision to limit the expansion of AV operations until better benchmarking standards and regulations could be established. Both companies have been involved in incidents involving injuries in San Francisco.

In September 2023, Waymo LLC announced its plan to expand services to Los Angeles and has already started a waitlist for users in anticipation of growing into this market. Test drives are already taking place. However, the DMV announced in October 2023 that Cruise LLC must cease operations on public roads after one of its cars ran over a pedestrian. In this context of new and still evolving technology, it is important that state regulators establish better standards for AV operations in dense, urban contexts.

DIRECTED TO: LA City Council Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee and Transportation Committee



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ACTION/VOTE COUNT:

MVCC T&I Committee meeting, January 22nd, 2024

Motion of support moved by Clausen, seconded by Kuhns

Motion of support approved by MVCC T&I Committee 5Y-1N-3A

MVCC Board Meeting, January 24th, 2024

Motion of support moved by Director XXX, seconded by Director XXX

Motion of support approved by the MVCC Board XX-XX-XX

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