

**Subject:** Electric vehicles

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Good morning.

I am against mandating electric vehicles. While I understand that the intent is to protect the environment, I believe that it will not achieve it's goal, while it puts too much additional cost on the consumer.

I understand that electric vehicles when involved in a fire producing crash are extremely difficult to extinguish. What will this do to the environment? And what about disposal of worn out batteries?

I live in a small 55 plus condo community in Newark. We have been told that adding the required electric to our garages to charge these vehicles is not possible and would be a fire risk. Some what does a community like us - full of fixed income people -do it this mandate becomes law? Among other things, it would drive down our property values at a time in our lives when we can least afford it.

Even purchasing a new vehicle strains the budget. New cars seem to be scarce and that makes them more expensive no matter the engine type. I'd like to see more hybrids available so that I could drive electric around town, not have to worry with plugging in and still be able to take a road trip without worrying about running out of juice. How about some help in creating availability and cost reduction?

Thank you for listening.