

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES' REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to returning repair of sidewalks to property owners and authorization for sidewalk maintenance and repair programs.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated August 18, 2016, amending Section 62.104 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to return the repair and maintenance of Sidewalks, Driveway Approaches, Curb Returns and Curbs to property owners, to provide a fix and release program for the repair and maintenance of Sidewalks and to authorize a Sidewalk Repair Warranty and a Sidewalk Repair Incentive Program.
2. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Engineering and the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to report on the effects of the \$20,000 cap for the City's repair of sidewalks and to monitor annual project costs to determine if the cap threshold needs to be increased to ensure that all properties are eligible for sidewalk repair under the Willits Settlement.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a special joint meeting held on August 22, 2016, the Public Works and Gang Reduction and Budget and Finance Committees considered a City Attorney report and Ordinance relative to amending the LAMC to return the repair and maintenance of sidewalks, driveway approaches, curb returns, and curbs to property owners; provide a fix-and-release program for the repair and maintenance of sidewalks, and, to authorize a Sidewalk Repair Warranty Program and a Sidewalk Repair Incentive Program.

A representative of the City attorney addressed the Committee and responded to related questions. During discussion of the matter, the a question was raised relative to the \$20,000 cap per property for repair of sidewalks. The BOE and CAO were instructed to monitor costs and report back if the cap needs to be increased. A question was also raised as to whether there was any conflict with the language in the proposed Ordinance versus the California Streets and Highways Code regarding sidewalks being on a lot or abutting a lot. The City Attorney clarified that the language in the Ordinance is consistent with the LAMC and State Code.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committees recommended that Council adopt the Ordinance, and instructed the BOE and the CAO to report on the repair cap. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BUSCAINO:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT
PRICE:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
RYU:	YES

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KREKORIAN:	YES
ENGLANDER:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BONIN:	YES



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