

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (FEIR), PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing and codifying the new Sidewalk Repair Program Project (Project).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. REVIEW and CONSIDER the information contained in the Project's FEIR, comprised of the Draft Environmental Impact Report and the text of the FEIR (Transmittal No. 1 of the Revised Board of Public Works (BPW) report dated May 14, 2021, attached to the Council file), and any other information in the record of proceedings; and, CERTIFY that the FEIR was completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); that potentially significant environmental effects of the Project have been disclosed and evaluated in compliance with the CEQA; and that the FEIR reflects and expresses the City of Los Angeles' independent judgment and analysis as the CEQA Lead Agency.
2. ADOPT the Project's CEQA Findings, including the Statement of Overriding Considerations in Section VII of the CEQA Findings as found in said BPW report.
3. SPECIFY that the documents constituting the record of proceedings in this matter are located at the Office of the City Clerk, 200 North Spring Street, 3rd Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012; the BPW Commission, 200 North Spring Street, 3rd Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012; the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Environmental Management Group, 1149 South Broadway, Suite 600, Los Angeles, CA 90015; and any other relevant City department.
4. APPROVE the Project's Street Tree Policy (Transmittal No. 2 of said BPW report) and the Project's Mandatory Project Features Policy (Transmittal No. 3 of said BPW report).
5. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated March 23, 2021, to add Section 62.104.1 to the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish and codify the new Sidewalk Repair Program, a City program adopted for purposes-of streamlining the approval of projects eligible for credit under the settlement agreement in the matter of Mark Willits, et al. v. City of Los Angeles (United States District Court Case No. CV10-05782).
6. INSTRUCT the BOE with the assistance of City Forest Officer and Bureau of Street Services to report with options for strengthening the tree replacement policy.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The BPW reports that funding for this Project is expected to be similar to the ongoing individual sidewalk repair projects, which is currently provided by the Sidewalk Repair Fund, Measure R Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Fund, Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program Special Fund, and the City's proprietary departments. Expenditures associated with the implementation of this Project will continue to be identified as additional funding is allocated in future year budgets.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

**(Budget and Finance Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on May 26, 2021, your Public Works Committee considered Revised BPW and City Attorney reports, Ordinance, and an FEIR relative to establishing and codifying the new Sidewalk Repair Program Project. An opportunity for public comment was held. After further discussion of the matter, the Committee moved to approve the Ordinance and BPW recommendations as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
LEE:	YES
DE LEON:	YES
O'FARRELL	ABSENT
KORETZ:	YES

ME 5/26/21

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