

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the annual status of the progress on biodiversity initiatives.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the October 14, 2022 Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) report, attached to the Council file.
2. INSTRUCT BOS, Department of Recreation and Parks, Department of General Services to report on the feasibility of identifying biodiversity areas to exhibit and highlight throughout the City in 60 days; including the conversion/designation of the City Hall “Green roof,” next to Council Chambers, as a biodiversity garden exhibit, to exemplify the City’s commitment to biodiversity initiatives. The report should include reference to potential project scope, implementation, operation and maintenance and potential funding sources.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The BOS reports that they will continue to work with the Biodiversity Expert Council, the Biodiversity Interdepartmental team, the Biodiversity Stakeholders, and students from local universities to advance biodiversity assessments and research in the field. BOS will not request any additional funding for biodiversity during Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:

Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council

Summary:

On November 3, 2022, your Committee considered the October 14, 2022 Bureau of Sanitation report relative to the annual status of the progress on biodiversity initiatives. The report attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations reflected above as amended. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND RIVER COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
O’FARRELL:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES

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