

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to current permitting and regulatory environment for Advanced Aerial Mobility (AAM).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the May 11, 2022 joint Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) and City Planning Department (CPD) report, inasmuch as this report is for information only and no Council action is required.
2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to report with a staffing plan and financial analysis of the May 11, 2022 joint LADOT/CPD report, attached to the Council File, to also include potential funding sources for the AAM program.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT/CPD reports that there is no financial impact in the joint LADOT/CPD report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On May 10, 2023, your Committee considered a May 11, 2022 joint LADOT/DCP report relative to current permitting and regulatory environment for AAM. According to the LADOT/DCP, AAM is an emerging mobility sector. Vehicle developers are experimenting with commercial drones for regional transportation, cargo movement, and public services, and ultimately envision AAM to encompass un-crewed¹ autonomous private and recreational vehicles. An early component of this joint work program includes advance planning and policy development for this emergent technology, which will require dedicated staff and contractual services. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to receive and file the joint report. And further recommend instructing the CAO to report with a staffing plan and financial analysis of the joint LADOT/CPD report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Transportation Committee



COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

HUTT: YES
PARK: YES
HERNANDEZ: YES
RAMAN: YES
YAROSLAVSKY: YES

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