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This March, Los Angeles voters approved Measure HLA, the Healthy Streets L.A. Initiative, which requires the City of Los Angeles to implement mobility improvements in accordance with the Los Angeles Mobility Plan 2035, and identifies networks for transit, bicycling, pedestrian and vehicle improvements.


Council District 13 is proud to have recently completed 2.1 miles of continuous protected bicycle lanes on Hollywood Boulevard and are looking forward to expanding facilities westward through the Walk of Fame. But construction of new bicycle facilities is only the first step. Regular maintenance is needed to keep new infrastructure accessible and new protected bicycle lanes should receive sweeping as often as any other part of the street. However, typical street sweeping machinery does not work on protected bike lanes.


Currently the Bureau of Streets Services (BSS) only has two specialized street sweepers to maintain protected bicycle lanes. Existing protected bicycle lanes receive street sweeping on a quarterly basis. Some Council Offices also fund additional manual cleaning of some bicycle lanes. These approaches are not sustainable, viable, or equitable. Instead, they highlight the need for a comprehensive approach to maintain infrastructure for alternative modes of transportation with the same urgency as vehicle infrastructure.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles City Council direct the Bureau of Street Services, with support from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, and City Administrative Officer report on the following:

- Resources needed (equipment and staffing) per mile to sweep existing protected bicycle lanes every other week.
- An overview of existing practices for protected bicycle lane maintenance, including equipment inventory, equipment transportation needs, staffing needs, cost per mile of maintaining protected bicycle lanes using existing practices, and current protected bike lane maintenance funding mechanisms.
- Best practices review for protected bicycle lane maintenance including frequency, cost-benefits analysis of alternative equipment/methods, and additional factors that should be considered identified in this review.

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