

PUBLIC WORKS and TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES' JOINT REPORT relative to amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) to assign the responsibility for maintaining City bicycle and multi-use paths to the Department of Public Works (DPW).

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Blumenfield, Raman – Soto-Martinez):

1. REQUEST the City Attorney, in consultation with the DPW and its bureaus, prepare and present an ordinance amending the LAAC to assign the responsibility for maintaining City bicycle and multi-use paths to the DPW.
2. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), with the cooperation of the DPW and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, to provide recommendations regarding alignment of staffing and funding to provide an adequate level of maintenance for bicycle and multi-use paths, at least equal to that provided to streets and sidewalks.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For: NoHo Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On June 11, 2025, your Public Works and Transportation Committees considered a Motion (Blumenfield, Raman – Soto-Martinez) relative to amending the LAAC to assign the responsibility for maintaining City bicycle and multi-use paths to the DPW. According to the Motion, the LAAC currently provides that DPW is responsible for maintenance of public rights of way "acquired" by the City, which has been interpreted not to include property subject to use agreements. Bike paths look like a street for bicyclists, function as a street, and have the maintenance needs of a street. For maintenance purposes, they should be treated like a street. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committees moved to recommend approval of the Motion. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Transportation Committee

**COUNCILMEMBER VOTE**

HUTT: YES  
PARK: ABSENT  
HERNANDEZ: YES

Public Works Committee

**COUNCILMEMBER VOTE**

HERNANDEZ: YES  
PADILLA: YES  
HUTT: YES

RM

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