

MOTION

The Bureau of Street Services operates the City's asphalt plants which manufacture asphalt sufficient to meet the City's needs. The asphalt the City produces is composed of 50 percent of recycled asphalt concrete, which has resulted in tons of pavement being diverted from landfills and instead reused in repaving. However, the City has the capacity to manufacture a significantly larger volume of asphalt than it currently produces. Given efficiencies that would be realized were the City to increase its asphalt production capacity and the sustainability of the asphalt concrete mix that the City is capable of producing, the City should explore its ability to sell the asphalt it produces in the open market.

The Bureau of Street Services also generates mulch in the course of its regular tree trimming work. Revenue from the sale of asphalt and mulch could be used to fund further improvements in the public right-of-way, fund work on the City's Mobility Plan, and enhance the accessibility and usability of our sidewalk and street systems.

Additionally, the City should ensure that its asphalt is being used to conduct repairs and backfills when non-City entities are cutting into City streets so that the paving on City streets have a uniform composition. Moreover, the City should require all of its departments, including the proprietary departments, to use the City-produced asphalt.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Administrative Officer (CAO), with the assistance of the City Attorney and Bureau of Street Services, be instructed to report back on the feasibility of authorizing departments and bureaus to sell goods they produce, including asphalt and mulch, and to prepare and present the necessary documents to allow for the sale of these goods, including a ballot measure for the June 2026 election if required.

I FURTHER MOVE that the CAO, with the assistance of the City Attorney and Bureau of Street Services, be instructed to report on the feasibility of requiring the proprietary departments to use City-produced asphalt and to prepare and present the necessary documents to codify this requirement, including a ballot measure for the June 2026 election if necessary.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering and the Bureau of Street Services, with the assistance of the City Attorney, be instructed to report on the materials requirements for resurfacing street cuts and report on the feasibility of requiring non-City entities to use City-produced asphalt for repairing street cuts.

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