

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS, and TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES REPORT relative to a comprehensive analysis of the resources needed to bring core programs that maintain and repair the City's public right-of-way infrastructure, up to industry standards or best practices set by the City.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Hernandez – Yaroslavsky):

1. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Services, Bureau of Street Lighting, Bureau of Sanitation, Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Contract Administration, and the Department of Transportation, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and any other relevant department, to report in 60 days on the following:
 - a. Identify industry standards or where more effective, other standards and best practices, for the repair, replacement, and maintenance levels/cycles and timely inspection of the public right-of-way infrastructure including but not limited to bike lanes, curb cuts, sidewalks, street trees, storm drains, and streetlights.
 - b. Establish standards and best practices to guide the City's funding and resource allocation.
 - c. Determine staffing levels, equipment costs and materials, fleet capacity needed to reach these standards.
 - d. Outline any additional costs or resources required to achieve best practices as defined by the Bureaus or Department.
 - e. Develop a phased approach, in one-year increments, to meet best practices established by the City in five years, and identify resources and annual budget allocations necessary for each phase.
 - f. Provide recommendations for ongoing updates or reassessments, such as options for applying formula-based increases on a year-over-year basis.
2. INSTRUCT the Department of General Services to report within 60 days of the submission of the above outlined reports with information on fleet maintenance, repair, and storage needs of the proposed phases by the Bureaus and Departments. The report should include the amount of real estate available for fleet storage, real estate needed to accommodate the proposal, and the staffing and equipment needed to maintain the fleet and yards.

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

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:
Los Feliz Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On October 21, 2025, the Government Operations (GO) Committee considered a Motion (Hernandez – Yaroslavsky) relative to a comprehensive analysis of the resources needed to bring core programs that maintain and repair the City's public right-of-way infrastructure to industry standards or best practices set by the City. According to the Motion, the City spends tens of millions annually on legal settlements for injuries tied to broken sidewalks, unstable hillsides, fallen trees, and unrepaired streetlights, which could be used to perform preventive maintenance. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the GO Committee moved to recommend approval of the Motion.

Subsequently, on October 22, 2025, the Public Works and Transportation Committees also considered this item in a joint meeting. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the two Committees moved to concur with the GO Committee. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Government Operations Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

PADILLA:	YES
LEE:	YES
JURADO:	YES

Public Works Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

HERNANDEZ:	YES
PADILLA:	ABSENT
HUTT:	YES

Transportation Committee

COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
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HUTT:	YES
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PARK:	ABSENT
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HERNANDEZ:	YES
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PADILLA:	ABSENT
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NAZARIAN:	YES
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