

## MOTION

The June 17, 2026 cold storage warehouse fire raised important questions regarding the incident's long-term environmental impacts and the City's ongoing responsibility to monitor, assess, and communicate those impacts to the public. As recovery efforts continue, transparent reporting on environmental testing and remediation is necessary for protecting public health, maintaining public trust, and ensuring accountability throughout the recovery process.

Suppressing the eight-day fire required an extraordinary emergency response. Firefighters used massive volumes of water to extinguish the blaze while breaching the heavily insulated 500,000-square-foot structure to reach persistent hotspots. As a result, large quantities of runoff entered the City's storm drain system, raising concerns that contaminated water may have reached the Los Angeles River and other receiving waters.

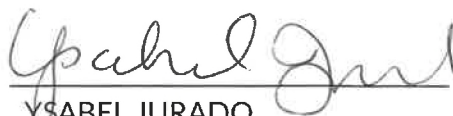
Recognizing these concerns, Mayor Karen Bass issued two emergency executive orders directing the Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN)'s Watershed Protection Program to evaluate potential impacts to storm drains, channels, and the Los Angeles River, and to report its findings to the Mayor and the City Council. The orders also directed LASAN to request that the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board issue a Cleanup and Abatement Order to ensure any contaminated runoff is properly investigated and remediated.

As recovery efforts continue, the City has a responsibility to keep residents informed and ensure environmental concerns are addressed with urgency and transparency. That includes reporting that water quality testing has been conducted, what contaminants – if any – have been detected, what those findings mean for surrounding communities, what additional monitoring is planned, and where the Cleanup and Abatement Order and any required remediation efforts stand.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) to report on the final results of water quality testing conducted on stormwater runoff associated with the June 17, 2026, Boyle Heights Lineage warehouse fire, including any findings regarding contaminants detected, impacts to receiving waters, and any recommendations for ongoing monitoring.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct LASAN to report on the status of the requested Cleanup and Abatement Order issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, including any approved remediation plan, implementation timeline, responsible agencies, and progress made toward protecting public health and water quality.

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