

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the creation of a Modern Organics Processing and Composting Master Plan (Master Plan), and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Blumenfield, et al. – Hernandez, et al.):

1. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) to report with a Master Plan designed to greatly increase local composting capacity within the City, from all possible sources including where possible from Recycle Service Providers, in compliance with new CalRecycle's permitting exemptions for public agencies established by SB 279, and new requirements for public agencies under AB 2346, while utilizing the BOS Healthy Soils plan.
2. INSTRUCT the BOS to include recommendations to achieve the Mayor's 2026 Climate Action Plan - Target 6B, mandating 50% local compost and mulch usage by 2030, further prioritizing the distribution of finished compost to local urban farms and community gardens, and City parks, including to support the removal of both artificial grass and nonfunctional turf to natural turf.
3. INSTRUCT the BOS to solicit input from the public, including but not limited to Neighborhood Councils, non-governmental organizations, local universities, and relevant government agencies in order to develop this policy.
4. INSTRUCT the BOS, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to include an analysis of the fiscal and budget impacts of expanding local composting programs compared to the current Direct Service Provider model.
5. INSTRUCT the BOS to include recommendations on strategic partnerships with adjacent public entities, such as the Los Angeles Community College District, in order to identify and utilize available land within or near City limits for decentralized composting activities.
6. INSTRUCT the BOS, with the assistance of the CAO, to include recommendations for the City to utilize SB 1383 procurement dollars, as authorized under AB 2346, to fund activities such as the development of localized community composting infrastructure, and a plan to leverage California's active Cap-and-Invest Community Composting for Green Spaces program to deploy machinery, technical training, and paid youth workforce opportunities to community-run sites within historically underserved tracts designated under CalEnviroScreen 4.0.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on August 4, 2026, your Energy and Environment Committee considered a Motion (Blumenfield, et al. – Hernandez, et al.) relative to the creation of a Master Plan, and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
NAZARIAN	YES
YAROSLAVSKY	ABSENT
JURADO	YES
RAMAN	YES
PADILLA	YES

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