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The Los Angeles Department of General Services (GSD) provides a City's core internal service and helps keep municipal government operations functioning. GSD manages and maintains City-owned facilities and properties, including office buildings, Animal Service facilities, libraries, recreation facilities, and other public buildings. Its responsibilities include building maintenance, repairs, custodial services, facility management, real estate services, energy management, and other property-related functions. GSD also supports City departments with procurement, fleet and vehicle services, and various administrative and operational needs.

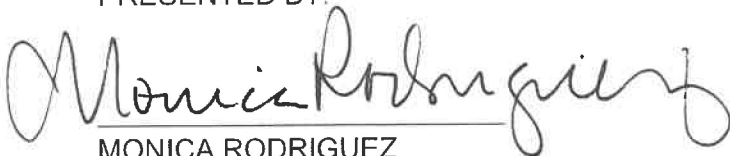
GSD also plays an important role in managing the City's physical assets and ensuring that facilities are safe, functional, and available for public services. The department works with individual City departments on facility improvements, construction and renovation projects, property acquisition and leasing, and the management of City owned and occupied spaces. In addition, GSD provides centralized services that allow individual departments to focus on their primary missions while relying on a Citywide department for buildings, equipment, property, and other operational infrastructure.

GSD faces ongoing challenges in keeping pace with the City's growing and increasingly complex operational needs. The department is responsible for maintaining a large and aging portfolio of City facilities and infrastructure while also supporting demands for building repairs, custodial services, security, fleet operations, real estate, energy management, and facility improvements. Limited staffing, competing priorities, aging facilities, procurement and contracting timelines, and the need to coordinate with numerous City departments can make it difficult to respond quickly to emerging problems. These challenges can result in building maintenance backlogs, delayed projects, and longer response times, particularly when urgent needs compete with planned capital improvements and routine operations.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Council DIRECTS the General Services Department (GSD) to report on how they prioritize building maintenance requests from departments and the timeline for completing the work. They should also include recommendations for improving the turnaround time for work orders, and further utilization of contracted vendors for certain services.

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