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The Bureau of Street Services' Motor Sweeping Division has approximately 135 motor sweepers in operation throughout the City of Los Angeles. There are 4,721 curb miles within the restricted (no-parking) posted route program. Streets are posted with no parking signs that state the day of the week and time of day the street will be swept.

In addition to the posted routes, the Bureau of Street Services covers a total of 8,058 non-posted curb miles divided into routes averaging around 31 miles each. The Bureau's goal is to maintain a four-week sweeping frequency on these routes. Unfortunately, these routes have no parking restrictions and much of the debris and trash is left behind or blocked by parked vehicles.

Street sweeping provides numerous benefits to a neighborhood and the community at large. Sweepers clear the streets of dirt, debris, and trash that might otherwise clog our storm drains or be carried by run-off to the ocean. Sweepers improve the livability of a neighborhood and clean streets foster community pride.

With the City facing a dire budget outlook due to the worsening economic condition, City departments are being asked to provide more services with less resources. More than 60 percent of the City's streets are swept just once a month, however, there are many more streets that should be added.

I THEREFORE MOVE, that the Bureau of Street Services with the assistance of the Department of Transportation, the Chief Legislative Analyst and the City Administrative Officer be directed to report on the feasibility of expanding the current number of posted routes and miles of street swept by implementing some or all of the proposals provided below:

- Cluster posted routes to add an additional route for every three established routes
- Reduce 1 weekly sweep from each of the three established routes
- Shift the 3 sweeps to a new posted route
- Expand the size of current posted routes
- Expand the number of sweeping routes per day

I FURTHER MOVE, that the Department of Transportation be directed to report with recommendations for posting of parking restrictions along any expanded posted street sweeping routes.

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