ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Bureau of Sanitation's (BOS) proposed plan for Citywide abandoned waste clean-up.

## Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE the Citywide CLEAN Streets Plan as detailed in the October 1, 2014 BOS report, attached to the Council file.
- 2. INSTRUCT the BOS to report in 90 days in regard to program implementation to include data collection and metrics; and to further work with the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) in regard to creating a volunteer surveillance team to aid in combating illegal dumping.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the BOS. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## Summary:

On October 1, 2014, your Committee considered August 5, 2014 and October 1, 2014 BOS reports relative to the BOS' proposed plan for Citywide abandoned waste clean-up. The October 1, 2014 BOS report was received in Committee subsequent to the release of the committee agenda. According to the BOS, at the beginning of Fiscal Year (FY) 2013-2014, the Councilmember for Council District 1 (CD-1), with the assistance of the BOS, launched the "Keep it Clean" pilot program to rid CD-1 of illegally dumped material and abandoned waste. CD-1 provided nearly \$1 million in financial support to address the blight plaguing CD-1 neighborhoods. During the first year of the "Keep it Clean" campaign, the BOS collected nearly 1,000 tons of abandoned solid waste in CD-1. Locations targeted for clean-up were primarily alleys and sidewalks. The program was extremely successful and was positively portrayed in print, broadcast, and social media.

With the success of the "Keep it Clean" campaign, a Motion (Cedillo - Wesson et al.) was initiated on November 5, 2013 instructing the BOS to develop a comprehensive plan for a citywide clean-up program (Council File No. 13-0852-S1). This plan was to include information regarding the types of enhanced services available, the staffing needed, and the budgetary requirements for the program expansion. Pursuant to the Motion, the BOS presented its report to Council for a city-wide clean-up campaign which included three options. However, Council deferred the matter to the FY 2014-2015 budget and asked the BOS on April 30, 2014, through Substitute Motion 22 (Councilmembers Cedillo, Price, Buscaino, and Wesson), to develop a data-driven neighborhood clean-up program based on tonnage collected and the level completed requested services, modeled after LAPD COMPSTAT.

The BOS went on to state that it is proposing a program that will focus on enhancing the services received by all Council Offices from this General Fund investment. Specifically, the proposal relies on two fully equipped and distinct teams. Each team will consist of three Maintenance Laborers and three Refuse Collection Truck Operators. Additionally, there will be one Refuse Collection Supervisor and one Solid Resources Superintendent to manage both crews and coordinate with Council Offices. The teams will also be supported by a Chief

Environmental Compliance Inspector, an Environmental Compliance Inspectors, and a Wastewater Collection Worker II.

Under this proposed program, the BOS will provide each Council District with one dedicated day of clean-up each month. Shown on Page 4 of the August 5, 2014 BOS report, attached to the Council file, is a master calendar that details the dedicated days of cleanup per Council District in FY 14-15. Each Council Office, in coordination with the BOS, will decide what location or locations are to be cleaned up during that dedicated day. On the average, each team will be available 20 working days per month, and the two teams will be available for a total of 40 working days per month. Servicing 15 Council Districts with one dedicated day of cleanup will result in a total of 15 days of service, thereby leaving 25 days of service available every month to address "cleanup of alleyways and abandoned waste in impacted neighborhoods" outside of the Skid Row, as stated in the budget. Mayor and the City Council have also allocated \$3.7 million and \$500,000 for the cleanup of Downtown Skid Row and Venice Skid Row, respectively.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the first recommendation contained in the October 1, 2014 BOS report and detailed above in Recommendation No. 1. Additionally, the Committee recommended instructing the the BOS to report back in 90 days in regard to program implementation to include data collection and metrics; and to further work with the LAPD in regard to creating a volunteer surveillance team to aid in combating illegal dumping. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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