

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an assessment of the resources needed to re-stripe streets within 10 days after the completion of resurfacing and slurry seals.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE employment authority for three months by resolution for 10 new positions to create two new Mark-Out Crews in the Department of Transportation (LADOT), subject to classification approval by the Civil Service Commission and paygrade approval by the City Administrative Officer (CAO), as follows:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Class Title</u>	<u>3-Months Salary</u>
2	3421-3	Traffic Paint and Sign Poster III	\$32,416
4	3421-2	Traffic Paint and Sign Poster II	\$61,402
<u>4</u>	<u>3112</u>	<u>Maintenance Laborer</u>	<u>\$47,911</u>
10		Total:	\$141,730

2. INCREASE appropriations totaling \$141,730 from surplus revenue in the Special Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund 206/50, RSC 3331, Section 2105 Receipts, to Account No. 50L194 entitled Transportation; then to the Department of Transportation Fund 100/94, Account No. 001010 entitled Salaries General.
3. ESTABLISH and APPROPRIATE \$2,719,761 from surplus revenue in the Special Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund 206/50, RSRC 3331, Section 2105 Receipts, into a new account, Account No. 50Lxxx entitled "Transportation Striping and Mark Out Equipment", to assist with the following purchases:
 - a. Replacement Equipment: One Long Line Striper and one Paint Striper Truck are on order as part of the Annual Replacement Process. However, additional funds in the amount of \$541,761 are needed to complete the purchase.
 - b. Fleet Expansion: Two Mark Out Trucks, three Paint Profiler Trucks and one Traffic Paint Striper to support the two new Mark-Out Crews with an estimated cost of \$1,422,000; and One additional Long-Line Striper, with an estimated cost of \$720,000, are needed to support the increased striping workload.
 - c. Purchase three new thermoplastic hand liners, one for each district/yard. Each of these cost approximately \$12,000.
4. AUTHORIZE the CAO to make technical corrections to this instruction, if necessary, to carry out the intent of the Council and Mayor.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that additional resources are needed to meet the goal of re-striping streets within 10 days after resurfacing or slurry seal is completed by the Bureau of Street Services. The LADOT proposes consideration of one-time funding of \$8.9 million to purchase equipment, \$3.5 million in additional salary appropriations for new position authorities, and a \$2 million increase to its annual contractual services appropriation.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For: Studio City Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At its meeting of March 2, 2015, the Budget and Finance (BF) Committee considered a LADOT report and CAO recommendations relative to resources needed to re-stripe streets within 10 days after the completion of resurfacing and slurry seals. The Department states that restriping times have been inconsistent and delayed due to limited resources. According to the Department, staffing levels have declined substantially over the past five years, while the amount of pavement preservation work has increased to historical levels. LADOT identifies the staffing and equipment resources needed to enable the Department to mark out every street within 24 hours of resurfacing, completely re-stripe streets in ten day or less, and significantly reduce the backlog of traffic loop detector replacements. Additional resources will also help to stabilize overtime costs and contractor expenses. LADOT's report was referred to the Transportation and BF Committees for consideration.

During the BF Committee discussion, LADOT and CAO representatives provided an overview of this matter and responded to related questions from Committee members. Councilmember Bonin requested that the LADOT additionally purchase thermoplastic hand liners for each district/yard to assist with the work. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the BF Committee recommended that Council approve the CAO recommendations as amended to add the purchase of three thermoplastic hand liners from surplus revenue in the Special Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund. This matter is now forwarded to Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KREKORIAN:	YES
ENGLANDER:	YES
KORETZ:	ABSENT
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
BONIN:	YES

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