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MOTION

Recently the Mayor and City Council approved a \$5 million allocation for the 2014-2015 fiscal year to create a program specific to combat blight in the City's alleys and abandoned waste. This program is to help develop a data driven program that will help the City better allocate resources for trash pickup in the near future.

Clean communities are key to the economic vitality of neighborhoods. A clean street can help measure the success of a City.

Currently, the City's Bureau of Street Services (BSS), in addition to being responsible for maintaining and repairing the physical condition of the streets, is also responsible for cleaning over 7,000 miles of public thoroughfares and alleys throughout the City. In order to clean the streets and keep trash and debris out of the gutters, BSS operates motorized street sweepers manned by employees. In addition, BSS is responsible for cleaning up illegally dumped debris, and providing clean-up after parades and special events. The City's Bureau of Sanitation is also dedicated to preserving the public health and the environment as it collects almost 7,000 tons of curbside trash and recycling per day.

In light of the Mayor's "Back to Basics" agenda and the Council's "Keep It Clean" and SANSTAT initiative, there is a continuous need to examine and study other alternatives to make Los Angeles more livable and sustainable in a practical and expedited manner.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the CAO, CLA, Bureau of Street Services, Bureau of Sanitation, and General Services Department be instructed to work together to make an assessment with recommendations on how to clean up neighborhoods by better coordinating city services, improving community engagement with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps and organizations such as Clean and Green, and studying the costs and effectiveness of allotting a City Truck to each Council District for the purposes of bulky item and trash pickup.

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