Concrete streets in the City of Los Angeles have long gone unrepaired and many are now graded at ‘D’ or ‘F’ level. Efforts have been underway to determine what options are available for repair of these streets as they reach the end of their useable life.

To that end, the City has been conducting a concrete streets repair pilot in Hancock Park to determine the costs and feasibility of fixing concrete streets citywide.

On October 24, 2016 the City’s Bureau of Street Services began work to replace the concrete on 4th Street from Highland Avenue to McCadden Place. This project was completed on time and at a cost per square foot that fell below estimates. A previous project to replace the concrete intersection at Las Palmas and Oakwood also came in ahead of schedule and under budget.

On June 2, 2017 the City of Los Angeles awarded a contract to repair McCadden Place from Beverly Boulevard to between 2nd and 3rd streets in concrete. Bids for this project similarly came in below the City estimate by over 15%.

These successful pilot projects should now be used to inform future concrete street repair work which the City is considering undertaking as part of its street reconstruction efforts.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Administrative Officer and Chief Legislative Analyst, with assistance from the Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Street Services, and Bureau of Contract Administration, be instructed to report back within 45 days with a cost comparison analysis of the two pilot projects, including a discussion and analysis of the full costs, direct and indirect, of the use of outside contractors and/or city crews for concrete repair work, a comparison in cost and longevity of similar asphalt street reconstruction projects, and a comparison of neighborhood impacts and resident satisfaction between the two types of street reconstruction.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer and Chief Legislative Analyst, with assistance from the Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Street Services, and Bureau of Contract Administration, be instructed to report back within 45 days on how the City can address the backlog of “D” and “F” concrete street repairs.