

ARTS, PARKS AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the progress reports from various City departments on the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (O'Farrell - Blumenfield - Martinez):

1. INSTRUCT City departments, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) and City Administrative Officer (CAO), to report to Council within 180 days on programming and costs associated with operation and maintenance responsibilities of the Los Angeles River (LA River) Channel, River Banks, Bridges and LA River as follows:
 - a. Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) - Maintenance of existing park space and feasibility of expanding RAP's presence regarding recreation, park activities, and landscaping along the LA River.
 - b. Los Angeles Department of Transportation - Pedestrian and bike paths and associated landscaping, as well as anticipated future costs of maintaining the pedestrian and bike path following its planned expansion.
 - c. All City departments/offices/agencies - Agreements with the County, Mountains Recreation Conservancy Agency, or any other governmental entity relating to the operations and maintenance of the LA River and/or bridges crossing the LA River.
 - d. Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) - Trash and bulky items pickup, including the number of requested trash pick-ups per year and tonnage.
 - e. Los Angeles Police Department and BOS - Engagement of Homeless Outreach Partnership Endeavor teams.
 - f. Bureau of Street Services (BSS) - Estimated annual costs of maintaining bridges crossing the LA River, including vehicular and non-vehicular bridges, and the funding and personnel required for BSS to maintain hardscape areas along the river banks, including the pedestrian and bike paths.
2. INSTRUCT the CLA and the CAO to coordinate with the appropriate County authorities to identify the current operations and maintenance responsibilities for each governmental entity, with a focus on active and identified projects, along the LA River and explore options with the County for clear management and operation of the LA River through a Master Use Agreement, Joint Powers Authority or other cooperative agreement.
3. INSTRUCT the CLA and the CAO, to report on the feasibility of designating a City department to be tasked with responsibility for meeting City operations and maintenance obligations along the LA River, including funding requirements, and if a City department cannot be identified, the feasibility of creating a new department for the LA River.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

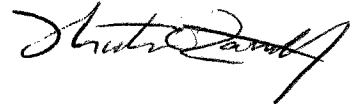
Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At the meeting held on November 28, 2018, your Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee considered the November 26, 2018 joint CAO and CLA report relative to the relative to operations and maintenance responsibilities for the Los Angeles River. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the November 28, 2018 joint CAO and CLA report. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, PARKS, AND RIVER COMMITTEE



MEMBER VOTE

O'FARRELL: YES

RYU: YES

PRICE: YES

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