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There are approximately 12,000 alleys in Los Angeles. A large proportion of these alleys, approximately 26.7 percent, are located in the San Fernando Valley. Residents, sanitation trucks, public safety services, and others use these alleys in order to access residences and businesses. Alleys also have the potential to enhance the quality of life in neighborhoods by increasing social interactions among neighbors and increasing walkability. Despite the high level of use for these spaces, many alleys are in poor condition and are in need of repair. The City does not currently have a dedicated funding source for alley repair.

A sustainable funding mechanism for the repair of alleys has the potential to revitalize these areas and provide sizeable benefits to the public. The City has implemented cost-sharing programs for the maintenance of various improvements in the public right-of-way, such as street lighting assessment districts. In addition, the City has implemented cost-sharing programs for the repair of sidewalks.

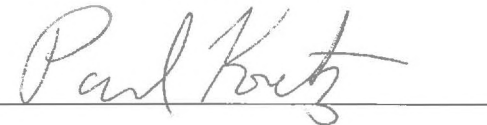
The City should explore the feasibility of implementing cost-sharing program for the repair of alleyways to ensure that alleys are a benefit rather than a blight on our neighborhoods.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the Bureau of Street Services and the Bureau of Engineering, to report on the feasibility of implementing a cost-sharing program for the repair of alleys, including the establishment of alley repair assessment districts.

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