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PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the feasibility of implementing a cost-sharing program for the repair of alleys.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. NOTE and FILE the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report dated February 28, 2019 relative to the feasibility of implementing a cost-sharing program for the repair of alleys.
2. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Engineering to report on the process necessary to vacate an entire alley and possible cost-savings associated with assessing multiple properties at once.
3. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) to create a menu of options for the public to repair their alleys to be listed on the BSS website. This would include assessment districts and cost-sharing programs.
4. INSTRUCT the BSS to work with the Bureau of Sanitation to determine the portion of revenues from Recycle LA that can appropriately be used for alleyway repair.
5. INSTRUCT the BSS to create options for bringing alleys into the street network including two separate Pavement Condition Index scores (one for alleyways and one for streets) and ensuring that the majority of the funding is used on the traditional street network.
6. REQUEST the City Attorney to report on the creation of assessment districts for alleyway repair.
7. INSTRUCT the BSS to report in more detail on options for restoring alleyways, including a cost-sharing program, the heavy vehicle impact fee and the sale or vacation of alleyways.
8. INSTRUCT the BSS to report on recommendations with respect to standards for alley repaving including a comparison of alleyway and traditional street network standards.
9. INSTRUCT the BSS to include appropriate funding for ongoing alley maintenance and safety and beautification projects such as regular clean-ups, lighting, and greening of alleyways.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on April 17, 2019, your Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee considered a CAO report, in response to Motion (Blumenfield - Koretz), relative to the feasibility of implementing a cost-sharing program for the repair of alleys. The CAO reports that the City's alley network is approximately 1,026 lane miles, consisting of approximately 76 lane miles of unpaved and 950 lane miles of paved alleys. According to the BSS, some of the paved alleys

have reached or surpassed their useful lives and are prime candidates for repaving. The alleys may contain numerous cracks/potholes, buckled pavement, worn asphalt, an uneven surface making them difficult to navigate, and may have drainage issues. The availability of funding for alley improvements has been limited given that most special funding sources cannot be used for this purpose. Alleys are vehicular thoroughfares but not City streets, and most special funding sources can only be used for improving City streets. Therefore, only General Funds have been traditionally used for alley repairs. During the discussion of the item, the CAO discussed possible options for repairing alleyways. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee recommended that Council approve the recommendations as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS AND GANG REDUCTION COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RYU:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
O'FARRELL	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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