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ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Through Proposition O, grants, and to a limited extent, the Stormwater Pollution Abatement Fund (SPA) funding, the construction of over 30 green stormwater infrastructure projects has been made possible. Some projects were built on existing City properties and others were built on acquired properties through land acquisition such as the Albion Riverside Park Project, the South LA Wetlands Park, the Rory M. Shaw Wetlands Park, and the Ed P. Reyes Greenway.

A key component to the effectiveness of these projects upon completion of and commissioning construction is a follow-through with the proper maintenance, operation, performance and monitoring. Without a clear alignment of responsibilities, many of the projects' effectiveness can be compromised. These projects are essential to the compliance of the City under the MS4 permit overseen by LA Sanitation. The performance of these projects is required to be regularly monitored and reported to the State regulators and grant agencies under the permit requirements and grant agreements.

As the stormwater program is evolving, it is essential and timely to clearly delineate the lines of responsibility, compliance with water quality objectives, and the transition to operation and maintenance.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct LA Sanitation, in collaboration with the CAO, the Bureau of Engineering, and the Department of Recreation and Parks, to report to the Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Justice Committee on how to effectively manage green infrastructure assets, on a long-term basis, acquired and built for the purposes of stormwater/water quality improvements; the review should include methods and approaches to explicitly delineate project/site custody, permanent operation and maintenance responsibilities and related matters.

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