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Honorable City Council
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ALL-GENDER RESTROOM CONVERSION

The Council adopted a motion requesting a report identifying an inventory of single-stall restrooms in City facilities and leased properties, a plan, including budgetary considerations, for converting these restrooms to all-gender restroom facilities and further recommendations to effectuate the intent of the motion (C.F. 18-0485).

Background

AB 1732 (Ting), adopted in the State of California, requires businesses and government agencies to identify single-user restroom facilities as all-gender. The conversion of single stall restrooms to all-gender is an ongoing effort in City facilities.

City Facilities Maintained by GSD

The City's new Asset Management System (AMS) identified 460 buildings maintained by GSD. Over the last several months, the department conducted a survey of these facilities to develop an inventory of single-user restrooms requiring conversion.

According to the survey results, the conversion to all-gender restrooms was completed in 372 buildings or 80 percent of GSD City facilities. This conversion is ongoing and includes 24 all-gender public restrooms in the larger civic center area which were converted prior to the adoption of AB 1732.

Where needed, each conversion requires installation of a lock on the outer door and a sanitary napkin disposal bin. Signage was procured and affixed according to the building code requirements with special signs for ADA compliant restrooms. These conversions were accomplished by working with departments and using existing budgeted resources.



Of the remaining 93 buildings serviced by GSD, approximately 161 restrooms still require conversion. GSD will continue to use existing resources to convert the remaining restrooms and anticipates this can be completed over the next six months.

Leased Facilities

GSD currently holds 233 leases as both lessee and lessor according to AMS data. Of these, 177 are subject to AB 1732 including 105 leases with non-profits, 42 leases where the City is the lessee and 30 where the City is the lessor or landlord.

GSD distributed questionnaires requesting information regarding compliance with AB 1732 to the respective entities handling these leases and received 68 responses. Of the responses received, 37 or 54 percent have either converted to all-gender restrooms or are in the process of doing so. The remainder reported no single-stall restrooms.

GSD is continuing to follow-up with the lessors, lessees, and non-profits via telephone and email to ensure compliance with AB 1732 and can report back on the status of these efforts as requested.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, receive and file this report.



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