

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the gray-water reuse systems on-site for new developments above 100,000 square feet, non-potable water uses, and water produced by dewatering into the sewer, and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (O'Farrell - Krekorian):

1. INSTRUCT the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, with the Assistance of the City Attorney and the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), in consultation with the Los Angeles-Orange County Building Trades Council, to report with recommendations for gray-water reuse systems on-site for new developments above 100,000 square feet based on water use, requiring non-potable water uses for indoor and outdoor purposes, and then conveying the final water produced by dewatering into the sewer, including but not limited to:
  - a. A process for the implementation of the ordinance and/or regulatory framework, by building type, including outreach to commercial, industrial, and residential stakeholders.
  - b. Recommendations to ensure that any policy and ordinance adoption does not place the economic burden on housing, especially low-income tenants or contribute to housing destabilization or community displacement pressures, and is a benefit for water affordability.
  - c. Recommendations on staffing needs to implement and oversee the policy.
2. REQUEST the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, with the assistance of the Bureau of Street Services' Urban Forestry Division, to report with a plan and recommendations for the coordination of current contractors and city staff, towards the goal of 100% irrigation of trees on the public rights-of-way.
3. INSTRUCT the BOS to report on the impacts that a gray water ordinance will have on the wastewater and stormwater systems within the City, and that the report includes financial and infrastructure recommendations to increase storm drain water flows into the wastewater system, including through dewatering practices, in order to increase compliance with the regional "MS4" permit.

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

Community Impact Statement Submitted: Yes

For:

Palms Neighborhood Council

Westside Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On November 3, 2022, your Committee considered Motion (O'Farrell - Krekorian) relative to the gray-water reuse systems on-site for new developments above 100,000 square feet based on water use, requiring non-potable water uses for indoor and outdoor purposes, and then conveying the final water produced by dewatering into the sewer, and related matters. The Motion attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations as reflected above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND RIVER COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
O'FARRELL:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES

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