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Streetlights are a cornerstone of urban infrastructure, providing safety, security, and a sense of community for residents and businesses across Los Angeles. Yet in Council District 14, many neighborhoods have been left in the dark due to frequent outages, copper wire theft and aging infrastructure. With studies showing that adequate street lighting can improve security and deter crime, these outages not only compromise public safety but also exacerbate existing inequities, as historically marginalized communities are disproportionately impacted by unreliable street lighting.


The current state of our street lights demands immediate attention. Addressing these challenges will require a comprehensive understanding of the scope of the problem, including where outages are most severe, where maintenance is most overdue, and how we can incorporate sustainable solutions like solar street lights.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Lighting to report back within 60 days with:


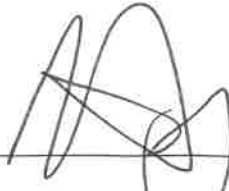
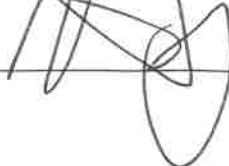
1. A detailed analysis of the current percentage of streetlight outages in Council District 14, broken down by neighborhood.
2. Identification of the locations with the highest frequency of outages and patterns contributing to these recurring failures.
3. An assessment of areas in Council District 14 that are suitable for solar street light conversions, including potential cost savings and environmental benefits.
4. Recommendations for short-term repairs and long-term strategies to enhance reliability and sustainability of street lighting in Council District 14.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Street Lighting, the City Administrative Officer, and other relevant departments to explore funding opportunities for solar street light installations and energy-efficient upgrades, and provide a timeline for potential implementation.

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