

GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY, INNOVATION, AND AUDITS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the existing process for repairing damaged street and pedestrian lighting infrastructure, current timeline, bottlenecks, and a comparative analysis of the street lighting repair process in other major cities.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Rodriguez – Padilla):

1. DIRECT the:
 - a. Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL) to report on the existing process for repairing damaged street and pedestrian lighting infrastructure and the current timeline for repairs, as well as on potential bottlenecks or inefficiencies in the existing process.
 - b. Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the BSL, to report with a comparative analysis of the street repair process in other major cities, and how best practices in other cities can be adopted for the process in the City of Los Angeles.
2. REQUEST the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power report on recommendations to help reduce the backlog of damaged pedestrian and street lights in need of repair, including any additional resources needed.

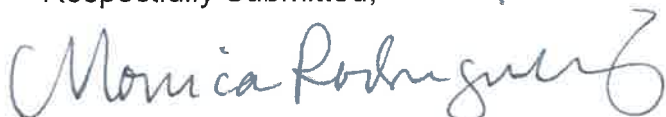
Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On February 21, 2025, your Government Efficiency, Innovation, and Audits Committees considered a February 2, 2025 motion (Rodriguez – Padilla) relative to the existing process for repairing damaged street and pedestrian lighting infrastructure, current timeline, bottlenecks, and a comparative analysis of the street lighting repair process in other major cities. According to the motion, the City has seen a sharp uptick in thefts damaging the lighting system, first in Fiscal Year (FY) 2007-08, with 443 incidents, then again in FY 2019-20 with over 2,500 incidents. To date, there are over 2,800 theft and vandalism incidents putting FY 2024-25 on a course to be the all-time high. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the motion recommendations, as amended. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Monica Rodriguez", is written over the "Respectfully Submitted," line.

Government Efficiency, Innovation, and Audits Committee

MEMBER	VOTE
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
MCOSKER:	YES

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2/21/25

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