

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: February 10, 2022

TO: Honorable Mitch O'Farrell, Chair
Honorable Paul Koretz, Member
Honorable Kevin de León, Member
Honorable Paul Krekorian, Member
Honorable Gil Cedillo, Member
Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee

FROM: Barbara Romero, Executive Director and General Manager
LA Sanitation and Environment



SUBJECT: LA SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENT (LASAN) - REPORT BACK ON CARE+ Cleanups / COVID-19 Crisis / Homeless Encampments / Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines (CF#: 21-0031)

This report is submitted as an update on a previously heard and approved report (CF: 21-0031) that needs further technical corrections to amend the previously granted approval.

Background

On November 18, 2021 LASAN submitted a report that was heard in the Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee on December 2, 2021. The Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee approved the authorization to hire, and deploy the necessary staffing and resources to keep City sidewalks and other public areas safe, clean, sanitary, and accessible, by removing abandoned waste from the public right-of-way, and cleaning homeless encampments. The approved report was forwarded to the full City Council and approved on December 8, 2021.

Further, on January 27, 2022, the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) alerted LASAN that despite the policy approval from the Council and Mayor, Position Authority was not granted and is still required this fiscal year. LASAN was also alerted by CAO that the account information was missing from the instruction and without this information the funds are unable to be transferred over to LASAN. In addition, without this technical approval as identified by the CAO, the hiring process; which can take up to several months, may need to be further delayed and funds will be unavailable.

LASAN, at the instruction of the CAO, is submitting the requested, amended position authority language effective immediately for consideration to ensure the positions will be filled in a timely manner, and amend the account information to ultimately effectuate the previously granted approval.

Recommendations

Recommend that the matter of the Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River’s report relative to LASAN’s report (CF 21-0031), BE AMENDED to adopt the following Recommendations in lieu of the recommendations contained in the November 18, 2021 report:

1. APPROVE the following 87 resolution authority positions, with funding, for the period noted below, subject to an expedited position allocation by the Personnel Department and expedited pay grade determination by the Office of the City Administrative Officer, Employee Relations Division, and authorize LASAN and the Personnel Department to initiate hiring processes effective immediately. The Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, Authorize by resolution, subject to allocation and pay grade determination, the following positions to be employed by LASAN for support to keep City sidewalks and other public areas safe, clean, sanitary, and accessible, removing abandoned waste from the public right-of-way, and cleaning homeless encampments.
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Qty	Class Title	Class Code	Funding Period	
			From	To
1	Sr. Environmental Compliance Inspector	4293	Jan 1, 2022	June 30, 2022
2	Refuse Collection Supervisors	4101		
6	Environmental Compliance Inspectors	4292		
9	Refuse Collection Truck Operators II	3582-2		
12	Maintenance Laborers	3112-6		
1	Solid Resources Superintendent	4102		
1	Sanitation Wastewater Manager I	4128-1		
2	Sr. Management Analysts II	9171-2		
2	Sr. Management Analysts I	9171-1		
1	Sr. Administrative Clerk	1368		
5	Management Analysts	9184		
5	Administrative Clerks	1358		
1	Accounting Clerk	1223		
2	Sr. Environmental Compliance Inspectors	4293		
1	Refuse Collection Supervisor	4101		
8	Environmental Compliance Inspectors	4292		
12	Refuse Collection Truck Operators II	3582-2		
16	Maintenance Laborers	3112-6		
87	Total Position Authorities			

2. The Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, APPROPRIATE \$5,838,000 from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100/58, Account No. 580334, Comprehensive Cleaning and Rapid Engagement to LA Sanitation and Environment Fund No. 100/82, various accounts. The Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, Authorize by resolution, subject to allocation and pay grade determination, the following positions to be employed by LASAN for support to keep City sidewalks and other public areas safe,

clean, sanitary, and accessible, removing abandoned waste from the public right-of-way, and cleaning homeless encampments:

From:

Fund	Appropriation Unit	Amount
100/58	580334, Comprehensive Cleaning and Rapid Engagement	\$5,838,000

To:

Fund	Appropriation Unit	Amount
100/82	001010, Salaries General	\$3,095,000
	003040, Contractual Services	\$2,274,000
	003090, Field Equipment	\$32,000
	004430, Uniforms	\$11,000
	006010, Office and Administrative	\$81,000
	006020, Operating Supplies	\$345,000
	Total:	\$5,838,000

3. INSTRUCT the CAO and Personnel Department to prioritize the hiring processes associated with the 87 resolution authority positions required to keep City sidewalks and other public areas safe, clean, sanitary, and accessible, by removing abandoned waste from the public right-of-way, and cleaning homeless encampments.
4. AUTHORIZE the CAO and LASAN to make technical corrections as necessary to these transactions included in this report to implement Mayor and Council intentions.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of LASAN. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any of these items further, please feel free to contact me or Jose P. Garcia, Assistant Director, at (213) 485-2210.

c: Members of the City Council
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