

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to climate change-related heat impacts on transportation-related infrastructure and technology, and future feasibility and action plan on undergrounding utilities; and the feasibility of establishing an additional source of City directed funds to address infrastructure inequity, including a potential new funding source; and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Rodriguez - De Leon):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Transportation (LADOT), Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Bureau of Street Services (BSS), Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), in coordination with the City Attorney, to create a digital map of City, County, and Metro projects constructed or managed in the last three years and planned over the next two years in key infrastructure categories (including sidewalks, street lighting, urban canopy, and public broadband). The map should include an overlay with demographic and other equity-based data layers and indices. The map should also be accompanied by a report that includes a comparative analysis of the average five-year investment in communities and includes the differences in investments by race, socioeconomic status, and life expectancy.
2. ENSURE that a definition of equity and definition of disadvantaged/impacted communities that all LADWP sectors apply needs-based prioritization methodologies for all possible funding sources, project lists, and grant application processes. These measures should align with other City and regional-adopted equity frameworks such as the recent County motion "Addressing Infrastructure Inequity", and incorporate the related findings as policy recommendations in future updates to long-range planning documents, such as the LA Green New Deal, Mobility Plan 2035, Plan for a Healthy Los Angeles, 5-Year Bureau of Street Services Strategic Plan, and the LA100 goals.
3. INSTRUCT the LADOT, BOE, BSS, LADWP, and all relevant departments, to report in 120 days on the impact that climate change-related heat impacts have on transportation-related infrastructure and technology and future feasibility and action plan on undergrounding utilities. The report should include the specifics on the plan's party or parties responsible for implementation as well as additional agency coordination.
4. INSTRUCT the LADWP, in partnership with the City Attorney, the Los Angeles County Assessor, all other relevant City and County departments and agencies to assess the feasibility of establishing an additional source of City directed funds to address infrastructure inequity, including a potential new funding source to be utilized for undergrounding of utilities to replace the California Public Utilities Commission Rule 20A program, which will sunset after December 31, 2021.

5. AUTHORIZE the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.
6. INSTRUCT the LADOT, BOE, BSS, LADWP, and all relevant departments, to consult with the Climate Emergency Mobilization Office.

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

Community Impact Statement: Submitted.

For:
Westside Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On March 3, 2022, your Committee considered Motion (Rodrigues - De Leon) relative to climate change-related heat impacts on transportation-related infrastructure and technology, future feasibility and action plan on undergrounding utilities; and the feasibility of establishing an additional source of City directed funds to address infrastructure inequity, including a potential new funding source. The report attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

This matter was considered by the Public Works Committee on February 23, 2022. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee moved to approve the recommendations 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
CEDILLO:	YES
DE LEON:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES