

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the long-term plan to address lighting outages due to theft and vandalism

Recommendations for Council action:

1. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), working with the Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL) and other departments as necessary, to analyze the 10-year plan proposed by the BSL and determine the appropriateness of its plan of action and accuracy of its costs. This analysis shall also be used to inform the Ordinance of Initiation (Council File No. 22- 1236) currently being considered by Council, which is requesting the City Attorney and BSL to return with an ordinance that presents a path towards updating the BSL’s assessments.
2. APPROVE the BSL’s deployment proposal regarding Fortifications: Allotting 3 circuit fortifications per impacted Council District based on Census tract information and the input of the relevant Council Office; allotting remaining funds to be put towards BSL’s high-impact list that takes into account repeated outages due to Copper Wire and Power Theft (CWPT).
3. INSTRUCT the BSL to include Restoration, Fortification, and New Yard budget requests as part of their submittal for the Mayor’s Proposed Budget to be considered by the Mayor and Council.
4. INSTRUCT the BSL to pursue two Senior Project Coordinator positions to augment and assist in the response to CWPT given the volume of requests and need for greater collaboration and information sharing.
5. REQUEST the Mayor’s Office lead a copper wire theft working group to help find other solutions, such as legislation, that can help abate theft and vandalism.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the BSL. Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on November 9, 2022, your Public Works Committee considered a BSL report relative to the long-term plan to address lighting outages due to theft and vandalism

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

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BLUMENFIELD	YES
LEE	ABSENT
O’FARRELL	YES
HUTT	YES

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