ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the implementation of Zero Waste City Facilities and Events on City Property Ordinance No. 187718 and Zero Waste Plans.

## Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. DIRECT all City Departments, and REQUEST all City Proprietary Departments, to provide annual progress reports to the Energy and Environment Committee, beginning in January 2024, on their compliance with Ordinance No. 187718 and their zero-waste plan. The reports should include, but are not limited to, a list of contracts/leases subject to the Ordinance, including contract(s) number or equivalent, vendor names and contract(s) expiration dates. Each City Department should report to the Council whether their contracts/leases, event forms/permits and websites have been modified to reference the Ordinance. The report should include details on the implemented zero waste measures at events; weight reports on the amount of trash generated, recyclables and organics diverted at City-sponsored events and city facilities. A copy of these reports should also be submitted to the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) at SAN.cfrp@lacity.org for tracking and reporting purposes.
- 2. DIRECT BOS to conduct a pilot with one or more food rescue organizations to provide the staffing, vehicles, and equipment needed to capture and divert edible surplus food from catered City events and City facilities.
- 3. DIRECT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to provide funding in the BOS 2024-25 budget for two new part time Event Attendant positions. The two positions will provide education and outreach during City Hall and Civic Center events.
- 4. DIRECT the CAO and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) with support from BOS to convene a zero waste facilities and events working group comprised of City Departments and Bureaus that permit/coordinate/host or organize events, as well as City Departments and Bureaus that have on-site restaurants, concessionaires or food vendors to ensure the following:
  - a. That the requirements of the Zero waste Ordinance 187718 are incorporated into relevant leases, agreements and events web pages and forms.
  - b. That the Departments and Bureaus provide information about their current leasing and events policies and logistics, so these can be evaluated, barriers identified, and logistics revised to facilitate zero waste measures.
  - c. That the systems for collecting events data are implemented, so that the City can accurately report the diversion of recyclables and organic

materials.

5. DIRECT BOS, and the Department of General Services to report by January 2024. on the progress of the two organics pilot programs and resources needed to expand the program to additional City facilities and City sponsored events.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the BOS. Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## Summary:

On September 8, 2023, your Committee considered the September 1, 2023 BOS report relative to the implementation of Zero Waste City Facilities and Events Ordinance No. 187718 and Zero Waste Plans. The report attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBER YAROSLAVSKY: **VOTE** 

YES

MCOSKER:

YES

RAMAN: BLUMENFIELD: YES YES

HERNANDEZ:

**ABSENT** 

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