

PUBLIC WORKS and PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND HIRING COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to improvements to the City's sidewalk programs.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DIRECT the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to report to the Council in 60 days with recommended changes to the Council-adopted Access Request Prioritization Matrix, Council File No. 14-0163-S3, which update the existing scoring methods to better implement the Willits, et al. Settlement (Settlement) and City priorities, including the addition of equity and damage severity factors.
2. DIRECT the BOE to report to the Council in 60 days with recommended changes to the Council adopted City Facility Matrix and associated Damage Severity Sub-Matrix, Council File No. 14-0163-S3, which update the existing scoring methods to better implement Settlement and City priorities, including prioritizing locations with significant access barriers over reconstruction of pedestrian facilities in reasonable condition and adding equity factors.
3. DIRECT the BOE, in consultation with the City Attorney, Bureau of Street Services, Los Angeles Department of Transportation, and other relevant departments, to report to the Council in 120 days to the Council with recommended changes to sidewalk and pedestrian facility related ordinances and policies either consistent with the "public stewardship" framework or other pathways to prioritizing sidewalk repairs, including recommended exceptions to maintain property owner, developer, and other public agency responsibility under specific circumstances.
4. DIRECT all City departments, offices, and agencies delivering projects on behalf of the City in the public right of way to coordinate with BOE's Sidewalk Division via processes established in the Interdepartmental Memorandum of Understanding: Improving Project Planning and Delivery in the Public Right-of-Way, 2022, to ensure that pedestrian facility improvements required by disabled access laws and regulations are included in the project scope and to take advantage of opportunities to improve pedestrian facilities beyond those requirements, to the maximum extent feasible.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The BOE reports that the above recommendations will have no impact to the general fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

## SUMMARY

At the meeting held on September 27, 2023, your Public Works Committee considered a BOE report relative to improvements to the City's sidewalk programs. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the BOE recommendations as amended, as detailed above.

Subsequently, on October 3, 2023, the Personnel, Audits, and Hiring Committee also considered this matter and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Personnel, Audits, and Hiring Committee concurred with the recommendations made previously by the Public Works Committee.

This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
LEE	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
RAMAN	YES

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND HIRING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
McOSKER	YES
PADILLA	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ	YES

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