

**AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL BILL 24-0507
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By: Public Safety and Government Operations Committee
{To be offered on the Council floor}

Amendment No. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Infrastructure and Urban Meadows**” and substitute “**Sustainable Vegetation Management**”; and, on that same page, in line 5, after “maintaining” insert “up to”; and, on that same page, in line 6, strike “self-sustaining” and substitute “ecologically beneficial”; and, on that same page, in lines 6 and 7, strike “(otherwise known as “urban meadows”)”; and, on that same page, in line 7, strike “vacant lots” and substitute “existing areas maintained by the City with mown grass”; and, on that same page, in line 8, strike “transformed into urban meadows;” and substitute “selected to be used as sites to pilot low-maintenance and ecologically beneficial vegetation types and management practices that are alternatives to mown grass;”; and, on that same page, before line 10 insert:

“(a) For the purposes of this study, the term “urban meadow” is, per the United States Department of Agriculture, defined as “habitats dominated by grasses and other herbaceous species that can serve an important ecological role for the City’s wildlife”.”;

and, on that same page, in lines 10 and 17, strike “(a)” and “(b)”, respectively, and substitute “(b)” and “(c)”, respectively; and, on that same page, in line 14, after “maintaining” insert “up to”; and, on that same page, in lines 14 and 15, strike “otherwise known as “urban meadows”” and substitute “low-maintenance and ecologically beneficial vegetation types and management practices, including urban meadows;”; and, on that same page, in line 15, strike “vacant lots” and substitute “existing areas maintained by the City as mown grass and”; and, on that same page, in line 18, after “maintain” insert “up to”; and, on that same page, in line 19, strike “urban meadows” and substitute “low-maintenance and ecologically beneficial vegetation types and management practices, including urban meadows;”; and on that same page, in that same line, strike “City;” and substitute “City, including evaluating and comparing the following factors for installing and maintaining low-maintenance and ecologically beneficial vegetation types and management practices as alternatives to the current practice of installing and maintaining mown grass:”

- (i) financial costs and savings;
- (ii) community impact and acceptance;
- (iii) environmental impact, including greenhouse gas emission and carbon sequestration;
- (iv) safety;
- (v) aesthetics;
- (vi) biodiversity;
- (vii) urban heat island effects and mitigation;
- (viii) opportunities for workforce development;
- (ix) legal implications; and
- (x) operational impacts on City agencies and partners; and”;

and, on that same page, in line 20, strike “vacant lots” and substitute “existing areas maintained by the City as mown grass”; and, on that same page, in line 21, strike “transformed into” and substitute “sites to pilot low-maintenance and ecologically beneficial vegetation types and management practices, including”; and, on that same page, in that same line, after “meadows;” insert “and”; and, on that same page, in line 22, after “maintaining” insert “up to”; and, on the same page, in that same line, strike “urban meadows; and” and insert “low-maintenance and ecologically beneficial vegetation types and management practices, including urban meadows.”; and, on that same page, strike lines 24 and 25 in their entireties.