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To All Interested Parties:

City Attorney (w/ blue slip)

The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council file No. <u>09-2017</u>, at its meeting held on <u>August 14, 2009</u>.

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## **MOTION**

In the Mayor's 2009-10 budget, all funding and personnel authorities for the City's gang prevention and intervention efforts were transferred to the Mayor's Office of Gang Reduction and Youth Development. Areas known as Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) zones were established throughout the City to receive dedicated gang prevention and gang intervention services.

On February 13, 2008, the City Council adopted the Ad Hoc Committee on Gang Violence and Youth Development's Community Engagement Advisory Committee's Community-Based Gang Intervention Model. The model includes the following definition for Gang Intervention: "Gang intervention is a two-pronged approach that provides hardcore, specialized, street-based mediation and mitigation to stop or prevent violence between gangs and the concurrent redirection of individual gang members and their families in ways that bring progress to themselves and their communities."

The City's gang intervention approach follows this two-pronged approach, with one prong consisting of community-based-gang intervention services and the other prong consisting of individualized service provisions. Community-Based Gang Intervention is defined as violence interruption and crisis response activities conducted by the organization.

Crisis Intervention Workers (CIW) are hired specifically to engage with schools, law enforcement, and other community stakeholders regarding specific gang-related confrontations, refer gang members for wrap-around services (as defined under Individualized Service Provision), work to mediate and diffuse conflict and tensions, and actively promote peace-building with active gangs in the designated GRYD communities.

In the current Mayor's 2009-2010 budget, the GRYD Office has dedicated up to \$200,000 to support the coordination and implementation of the Los Angeles Violence Intervention Training Academy (LAVITA). The purpose of LAVITA is to guide the professional development of community intervention workers throughout the City of Los Angeles. Five areas of competency that will guide the intervention training curriculum include: Direct Practice, Personal Development, Concrete Tasks, Broader Policy, and Applied Theory. In addition, the Mayor's GRYD Office is in the process of applying for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) 2009 funding in the amount of \$313,390 to support a re-entry project that will serve individuals recently released from incarceration into the designated GRYD zones. The total available funding for the reentry project will be \$500,000 (\$186,610 will be supported by the Mayor's 2009-2010 budget).

The Mayor's Office proposes to implement a competitive bid process and issue a Request for Proposals for each of these initiatives. The Mayor's GRYD Office will serve as the administrative entity for both Request for Proposals (RFP) and has committed to working with the City Council to ensure that these RFP's meet the City's goals.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council authorize the Mayor's Office to issue two separate Request for Proposals: (1) Coordination and implementation of the Los Angeles Violence Intervention Training Academy in the amount of \$200,000 and (2) GRYD Reentry Project in the amount of \$500,000, for a period of twelve months from the date of execution, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

PRESENTED BY

TONY CARDENAS
Councilmember, 6<sup>th</sup> District

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