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"FIRESTAT"

In 2002 the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) implemented a system of addressing crime based on the use of technology and management accountability. Called COMPSTAT, the system is founded on the principles of accurate and timely intelligence clearly communicated to all, rapid concentrated deployment using the most effective strategies, and relentless follow up and assessment. This system, developed under Chief Bratton, has proven to be an effective tool in New York, Washington D.C. and now Los Angeles.

The adoption of this quality control system by LAPD has coincided with a decade of year-over-year reductions in crime in the City of Los Angeles. Today, the crime rate in Los Angeles is at the lowest level in decades.

Near real-time data collection and mapping of incidents are key components of COMPSTAT, as are frequent meetings to encourage a dialogue between all levels of the organization. While the mission of the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) differs from that of the LAPD, LAFD too could benefit from the implementation of a COMPSTAT-style management system.

Under the leadership of LAFD Chief Brian Cummings and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the Los Angeles Fire Department has already begun the process of implementing and using new technology to make deployment and operations more efficient.

The Apparatus Deployment Analysis Module (ADAM), a new component of the LAFD's Computer Aided Dispatch Analyst, was implemented for the 2011-2012 deployment year. ADAM allows LAFD to model coverage based on response times, call frequency and incident types within each fire station district.

Additionally, to provide management personnel access to real-time incident data, the Department is currently in a pilot phase of a Geographic Information System solution called LASER (Los Angeles Situation Awareness for Emergency Response).

These two platforms should be combined with other technologies and a system of regular management meetings to create "FIRESTAT" a COMPSTAT-style system for LAFD.

I THEREFORE MOVE, that the Los Angeles Fire Department be requested to report to the Public Safety Committee in 60 days on the capabilities of the technology platforms currently being used by the LAFD, an analysis of the solutions that would be necessary to meet the operational objectives of the Department in the context of "FIRESTAT" a COMPSTAT-style management system, an operational plan for frequent management meetings, and a timeline for implementation.

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