

Your **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

reports as follows:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the capabilities of the technology platforms currently being used by the Fire Department and an analysis of the solutions that would be necessary to meet the operational objectives of the Department.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Englander – et al):

DIRECT the Fire Department to report in 60 days relative to the capabilities of the technology platforms currently being used by the Department, an analysis of the solutions that would be necessary to meet the operational objectives of the Department in the context of a COMPSTAT-style management system, heretofore to be known as FIRESTATLA, an operational plan for frequent management meetings, and a time line for implementation.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

On February 17, 2012, Council considered Motion (Englander – et al) relative to the capabilities of the technology platforms currently being used by the Fire Department and an analysis of the solutions that would be necessary to meet the operational objectives of the Department in the context of "FIRESTAT." Motion states that in 2002, the Police Department implemented a system of addressing crime based on the use of technology and management accountability. Called COMPSTAT, the system is founded all 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.

Motion movers go on to state that the Police Department's use of this quality control system 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. While the mission of the Fire Department differs from that of the Police Department, Motion movers believe that the Fire Department could benefit from the implementation of a COMPSTAT-style management system. Under the leadership of Fire Chief Brian Cummings and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the Fire Department has already begun the process of implementing and using new technology to make deployment and operations more efficient.

Motion movers further state that the Apparatus Deployment Analysis Module (ADAM), a new component of the Fire Department's Computer Aided Dispatch Analyst, was implemented for the 2011-2012 deployment year. ADAM allows the Fire Department 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).

Motion movers recommend that these two platforms should be combined with other technologies and a system of regular management meetings to create "FIRESTAT" a COMPSTAT-style system for the Fire Department. Council referred Motion to the Public Safety Committee for consideration.

At its special meeting held March 23, the Public Safety Committee discussed this matter with representatives of the Fire Department. Department staff indicated that FIRESTAT is copyrighted and cannot be used as a title for the City's fire and emergency resource management and calls for service system. Committee Chair recommended the use of FIRESTATLA, a term approved by City firefighters. Committee approved Motion directing the Fire Department to report in 60 days.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
PERRY:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
ZINE:	YES

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