COMMUNICATION FROM VICE-CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE relative to extending the term of the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) 2012 COPS Hiring Program grant.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- AUTHORIZE the Chief, LAPD, or designee, to accept the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Division approval of a no-cost extension for the 2012 COPS Hiring Program grant, extending the term from May 31, 2015 to November 30, 2016.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. Approval of the above recommendations will allow for the full expenditure of the 2012 COPS Hiring Program grant award totaling \$6,428,350. These recommendations are in compliance with City financial policies in that expenditure of grant funds is strictly limited to the mandates of the funding source.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated May 14, 2015, the CAO states that LAPD requests authority to extend the grant term of the 2012 COPS Hiring Program grant from the DOJ COPS Office by 18 months for a total term of four years and six months with a new ending date of November 30, 2016. According to the CAO, the grant provided funding to hire 25 Sworn Officer positions. It took several months to complete the hiring of 25 applicants with the required military veteran status. Additionally, some of the qualified new hires became inactive over the course of the grant, requiring additional recruitment midterm in the grant. These circumstances delayed the LAPD from fully expending the grant funds within the original grant period, making the extension of the grant term necessary.

On April 14, 2015, the Board of Police Commissioners approved LAPD's request. The CAO concurs with this action.

At the Public Safety Committee meeting held May 22, 2015, the Committee Vice-Chair recommended that Council authorize LAPD to accept the COPS grant term extension, as recommended by the Board of Police Commissioners and the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>

<u>VOTE</u>

ENGLANDER: ABSENT

BUSCAINO:

YES

BONIN:

ABSENT

O'FARRELL:

ABSENT

MARTINEZ:

ABSENT

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