

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE relative to an agreement with Special Olympics International, Inc., for Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to provide vehicles and officers to serve as a ceremonial escort of the Flame of Hope during the Unified Relay Across America.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Chief, LAPD, to enter an agreement with Special Olympics International, Inc., whereby the Department will provide five Department vehicles, 18 reserve officers, and 18 sworn supervisors to serve as a ceremonial escort of the Flame of Hope during the Unified Relay Across America which takes place May 26, 2015 through July 10, 2015.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LAPD reports that Special Olympics International Inc., will pay for the cost of transporting the vehicles and the employees' travel expenses and vehicle rentals, room and board, and meals during the escort. The City will absorb the cost of the reserve officers and the on-duty supervisors. During the term of the agreement, Special Olympics shall reimburse the City for all costs associated with any accident repairs. If a Department supervisor(s) is required to respond to an incident during the term of the agreement, Special Olympics will reimburse the LAPD at the hourly billing rates established by the City Administrative Officer.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Board of Police Commissioners dated May 19, 2015, LAPD requests authority to enter into an agreement with Special Olympics International, Inc., to provide vehicles and officers to serve as a ceremonial escort of the Flame of Hope during the Unified Relay Across America. LAPD reports that the agreement will have no negative impact on law enforcement services in the City of Los Angeles. On June 2, 2015, the Board of Police Commissioners approved LAPD's request.

At the Public Safety Committee meeting held June 12, 2015, the Committee Chair discussed this matter with LAPD staff. LAPD staff indicated that the primary purpose of the agreement is to stipulate that Special Olympics International, Inc., will reimburse the City for expenses, maintenance, and any other costs that may arise. The Committee Chair recommended that Council authorize LAPD to execute the proposed agreement as recommended by the Board of Police Commissioners.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



MEMBER VOTE

ENGLANDER: YES
BUSCAINO: ABSENT
BONIN: ABSENT
O'FARRELL: ABSENT
MARTINEZ: ABSENT

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