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PUBLIC SAFETY

Hollywood is one of the most unique areas of Los Angeles, home to thousands of residents, workers and other stakeholders, in addition to being a major tourist attraction. The City has seen a marked increase in the number of visitors to the City over the last few years, with 44.2 million tourists visiting in 2014 alone. Many of these tourists visit Hollywood, which boasts numerous attractions that draw visitors from around the world, including the El Capitan Theatre, TCL Chinese Theatre, the Walk of Fame, and the Hollywood & Highland Center. Hollywood has a unique place in American culture, and will continue to draw tourists due to its role in the development of popular culture and the modern film industry. Hollywood Boulevard between Highland Avenue and Orange Drive is one of the busiest, most densely concentrated areas of tourist attractions in southern California.

The number of visitors in this area of Hollywood and the amount of activity taking place there create unique challenges for public safety. The City should ensure that it is dedicating adequate public safety resources to the area, in order to maintain a safe, secure, and welcoming environment for residents and visitors to the area. The Police Department, with the assistance of other relevant City entities, should report on the unique public safety concerns related to the tourist experience in Hollywood, as well as on policies that the City and its departments can implement to ensure that the tourist experience on Hollywood Boulevard is both safe and memorable.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Police Department, with the assistance of the Chief Legislative Analyst, the Fire Department, the City Attorney's Office, the Tourism and Convention Board, the Bureau of Public Works and other relevant departments, report on public safety issues and the tourist experience in Hollywood, in particular in the area of Hollywood Boulevard between Highland Avenue and Orange Drive. The report should include recommendations on policies and procedures that could be adopted to address public safety challenges in the area.

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