

MOTION

TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

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On March 10, 2016 at approximately 4:05 a.m., the Police Department (LAPD) responded to a report of battery near the intersection of 7th and Spring Streets in Downtown Los Angeles. Upon arrival, LAPD found the victim, Roy Joseph, laying unconscious in the street and suffering from head trauma. A witness stated that the victim and an unidentified male were engaged in an argument, and that the unidentified male punched Mr. Joseph in the head, causing him to fall and strike his head on the curb. Mr. Joseph was transported to the hospital in grave condition, and succumbed to his injuries on March 22, 2016. Detectives are continuing to investigate this crime, and believe that a reward may compel members of the public to provide information on the identity of the person responsible for this crime.

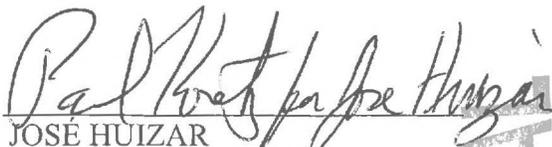
The person responsible for this crime represents an ongoing threat to the safety of the people of Los Angeles; therefore, it is appropriate for the City of Los Angeles to offer a reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of the person responsible for the death of Roy Joseph.

I THEREFORE MOVE that by adoption of this Motion, the City Council provide an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person responsible for the death of Roy Joseph on March 22, 2016, and in support thereof, make the following findings pursuant to Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code:

1. That the death of Mr. Joseph was caused by the willful misconduct of one or more persons.
2. That this offer of reward is consistent with and taken for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety of local residents, as well as visitors to the City, and is consistent with the need to arrest and convict the person or persons who, because of not being apprehended, could by their actions further terrorize and present a continuing and immediate menace to the rights of persons in the City.
3. That what happened to the victim is an especially disturbing crime and therefore, as a matter of public policy, the City hereby offers a reward as an added inducement for persons to come forward with information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of the person responsible for the death of Roy Joseph.
4. That the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.
5. That the offer of reward shall be in effect for six months from the date of the advertisement of the reward by the City Clerk.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be directed to cause notices and/or advertisements to be duly published according to the requirements of Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, and to thereby cause the offer of reward to become effective.

PRESENTED BY:


JOSE HUIZAR
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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