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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the donation of covert audio and video recording equipment for the benefit of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Gang and Narcotics Division.

Recommendation for Council action:

ACCEPT the donation of covert audio and video recording equipment, valued at \$23,707.50, from the Los Angeles Police Foundation for the benefit of the LAPD, Gang and Narcotics Division; and, THANK the donor for this generous donation.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Board of Police Commissioners dated April 22, 2016, attached to the Council file, the LAPD recommends that the Board approve the donation of covert audio and video recording equipment from the Los Angeles Police Foundation for the benefit of the LAPD, Gang and Narcotics Division. The LAPD reports that the requested equipment is replacing outdated equipment currently being used by the Narcotics Abatement Unit (NAU) for its undercover surveillance and narcotics buy operations. Funds for this equipment were secured through a civil abatement settlement that was deposited with the Los Angeles Police Foundation and earmarked for the purchase of covert audio and video equipment for the NAU. The equipment is covered by a seven-year warranty. The old equipment did not have any maintenance contracts in place and there will not be any on the new equipment. At the meeting held on May 17, 2016, your Public Safety Committee considered this matter. An opportunity for public comment was held. After a brief discussion, the Committee recommended that Council approve the donation of covert audio and video recording equipment for the benefit of the LAPD, Gang and Narcotics Division, as recommended by the Board, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	YES

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