

# LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT



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The Honorable Public Safety Committee  
c/o Holly Wolcott  
Office of the City Clerk  
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Honorable Members:

Enclosed for your review are the Los Angeles Police Department's responses to questions that were raised during the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget deliberations:


- R60. Instruct the Police Department, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer and the Personnel Department, in consultation with labor representatives as appropriate, to report to the Public Safety Committee on options for creating a new Police Service Representative position classification tailored exclusively to Emergency Board Operator (9-1-1), Auxiliary Telephone Operator, and non-emergency phone answering functions (877-ASK-LAPD), with the goal of improving emergency and non-emergency call wait times and expediting the current 46 week training process.
- R61. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee on the feasibility of converting the Venice Beach detail to a 3/12 schedule in order to expand the hours of deployment coverage and encourage more officers to volunteer for this challenging assignment.
- R 62. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee with options to secure a dedicated SMART Team for the Los Angeles Police Department Pacific Division in order to more effectively address the needs of homeless individuals in Venice, along with any related strategies. The report should also discuss the overall deployment of SMART teams Citywide.
- R 63. Instruct the Police Department to provide to the Public Safety Committee a prioritized list of specific assignments that could be civilianized, as discussed in the Controller's audit on civilianization. The report should also include an assessment of police officers that would need to continue to perform "civilian" functions due to injury.
- R 64. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee with a metric for hold time on the non-emergency 1-800-ASK-LAPD telephone number.
- R 65. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee regarding the costs and benefits of establishing a Police Substation at the Village at Topanga.

- R 66. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee with the number of officers that are performing patrol functions versus special detail units. The report should also provide the percentage of sworn officers that have historically been assigned to patrol duty over the past 30 years, at five year intervals.
- R 67. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee regarding any resource required to provide a robust gun unit that is able to do all of the tracing and investigation for problem gun dealers.
- R 68. Instruct the Police Department to report to the Public Safety Committee with a long-term plan for restoring positions and funding to the Valley Traffic Division in order to reduce hit and run and other traffic related fatalities.

We look forward to the opportunity to discuss these issues with you. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Assistant Chief Jorge Villegas, Director, Office of Administrative Services at (213) 486-8410.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures