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Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) is the 2nd largest airport in the nation with annual passengers over 80 million this year. Its mission is to provide the highest level of service to its guests, tenants and customers including the traveling public.

LAX's premiere location in Southern California, just off the coast, contributes to it experiencing summer seasons of high heat and humidity and winters that can produce windy and cold temperatures. In 2015, the airport completed construction of its Central Utility Plant (CUP), a state-of-the art facility that produces energy-efficient cooling, heating and electrical power for LAX that provides a comfortable climate-controlled environment inside the terminals. The CUP generates its own electricity for operations in the various structures located in the Central Terminal Area (CTA), and results in an estimated \$2 million in rebates from the L.A. Department of Water and Power (DWP).

Despite this, LAX relies on and is a customer of the DWP and often times, DWP customers, including LAX, experience power outages. Even brief outages can be disruptive and dangerous, posing risks to traffic and disrupting work and business. The danger is significantly increased when these outages occur at locations such as LAX, which can result in traffic delays inside the CTA, a glitch in security checkpoint electronic systems, delays of the baggage conveyer belt systems and even delay some flights, all contributing to a slowdown in airport operations and disruptions to airport guests. It is imperative that the City do all that it can to preserve power reliability at LAX.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the General Manager of the Department of Water and Power (DWP) and the Office of Public Accountability (OPA) report to Council on the power reliability issues and outages at the airport and the ways in which the Department proposes to reduce the likelihood of further -related power outages.

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