

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to violence at First Amendment events.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Englander - Buscaino):

1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to report on the violence they are seeing in First Amendment events nationwide as well as the items being used to cause injury or damage to demonstrators or law enforcement personnel.
2. INSTRUCT the LAPD to report on best practices and what steps can be taken by the City of Los Angeles to mitigate these situations on the front end to ensure the safety of all Los Angeles citizens.
3. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance amending Section 55.07 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to expand on the definitions of prohibited items to include:
 - a. Consumable liquids to plastic bottles instead of just other substances than juice or water.
 - b. Pepper spray, tasers and drones to prohibited items.
 - c. Public meetings that prohibited items are not prohibited.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on October 11, 2017, the Public Safety Committee considered Motion (Englander - Buscaino) regarding violence at First Amendment events. Deputy Chief from the LAPD provided the Committee with information relative to type of violence, weapons being used and injuries. The Committee discussed further and recommended to expand the definitions of prohibited items. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the Motion and request the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance to amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code regarding prohibited items and public meeting places. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER	YES
O'FARRELL	YES
BUSCAINO	ABSENT
RYU	YES
RODRIGUEZ	YES

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