PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) permit for temporary use of premises as a place of assemblage.

Recommendation for Council action:

RECEIVE and FILE the City Attorney reports dated July 25, 2018 and August 14, 2018, and accompanying Ordinances dated July 25, 2018 and August 14, 2018, amending Sections 57.105.6.5, 57.105.7.1.3, 57.4701.2, 57.4701.3, 57.4701.4 and 57.4701.9 of Article 7, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to require a permit from the LAFD for the temporary use of a building or premise for assembly purposes; and adding Section 57.4701.11 and 57.4701.12 to the LAMC to require crowd management and medical plans for certain assembly occupancies.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a special meeting held on October 24, 2018, the Public Safety Committee considered City Attorney reports and draft Ordinances regarding permitting for temporary use of premises as a place of assemblage. Staff from the LAFD answered questions and concerns presented by the Council members, such as, definition of assemblage, unattended consequences, larger implementation for smaller groups or community opportunities, and having the opportunity for Cultural Affairs, Department of City Planning and the general public to provide feedback and weigh in on the matter. After an in depth discussion and an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to receive and file the reports and the Ordinances. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
ENGLANDER YES
O'FARRELL YES
BUSCAINO ABSENT
RYU YES

RODRIGUEZ YES