



# LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

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Paul Krekorian  
Councilmember Second District  
Chairman, Budget and Finance Committee  
City of Los Angeles  
City Hall  
200 North Spring Street, Room 395  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilmember Krekorian,

During the last several budget cycles your leadership on the Budget and Finance Committee, along with your colleagues, has been instrumental in maintaining and in many cases restoring critical services to the Los Angeles Fire Department. Our Association was founded in 1955 and represents the Command Officers of the LAFD. As we enter this next budget cycle the Los Angeles Fire Department Chief Officers Association supports the Fire Chief's FY 2018-19 LAFD additional requests as listed in the priority *add backs* below<sup>1</sup>.

1. Variable Staffing OT for Recruit Training Section enabling such activities as Candidate Assistance Program, Recruit Remedial Training Program, Field Training Program.
2. EITs for Battalions 2, 6, 17: Three months funding to complete restoration of EITs to all Battalions.
3. BLS/ALS RA Variable & Full Staffing
4. Fast Response Vehicles: Position authority and funding for four FF III/PM on 4/10 schedules to staff FRV 64 to address call load and FRV 91 to improve response times.
5. Operations Valley Bureau Headquarters Offices: Capital Improvement Expenditure Program (CIEP) funding in two phases: FY 18-19 for EIR; FY 19-20 for construction

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<sup>1</sup> The priority adds backs listed are based on the Fire Chief's Budget Request ~ funding amounts and terms of conditions are not included.

6. Helicopter - \$18M: MICLA funding to add 5<sup>th</sup> medium duty helicopter to enable availability of 3 helicopters at all times.

Erickson Helitanker Contract - \$1,663,052: Funding to increase helitanker services for additional 60 days.

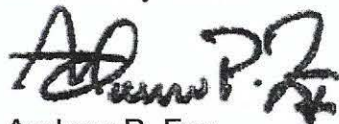
7. Critical Communications Staffing: Funding and position authority for one Communications Engineer to provide ongoing maintenance of mobile and portable communications devices.
8. Annual software licenses, maintenance & support: Funding for licenses for dispatch and administrative systems required for daily LAFD operations.
9. CUPA Cannabis Inspection Program: Funding and position authority for one Fire Inspector II and one Management Analyst II to provide Program supervision and administrative support, respectively.

In solidarity with our brothers and sisters at United Firefighters of Los Angeles City ~ IAFF Local 112, we respectfully request that priority #3 be adjusted from a request for Variable Staffing to a request for Full Staffing for Rescue Ambulances 887 (CD 12), 862 (CD 11), and 883 (CD 5). Funding to provide Full Staffing for these critical Ambulances will greatly improve our emergency response times and allow our highly trained Paramedics and EMTs to offer critical medical care with Full Staffing, 24 hours per day.

We also respectfully request that a new priority be added that includes funding for the professional cleaning of our Firefighters Turnout Gear (Personal Protective Equipment) as stated by UFLAC ~ IAFF Local 112

The Mayor's Blue Book and his increase in funding for the LAFD are consistent with his strategic plan and long-term vision for a Safer City. The LAFD FY 2018/19 budget places the LAFD in a long-term optimal trajectory. The inclusion of these additional budget requests (*Add Backs*) will provide us the necessary course corrections as we face additional challenges in the coming year.

Fraternally Yours



Andrew P. Fox  
President