

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the re-exemption of one Assistant Airport Police Chief (Class Code 3234) pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the re-exemption of one Assistant Airport Police Chief (Class Code 3234) for the Los Angeles World Airports pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Mayor. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 21, 2020**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 21, 2020)**

Summary:

On February 5, 2020, your Committee considered a January 30, 2020 Communication from the Mayor relative to the re-exemption of one Assistant Airport Police Chief (Class Code 3234) pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b). According to the Mayor, the Assistant Airport Police Chief position was previously approved for exemption under 1001(b) by the City Council and was subsequently filled. Charter Section 1001(b)(1) requires that, "When the position is vacated, the exemption shall terminate unless reauthorized in accordance with this subsection." The position was vacated on December 21, 2019 and deleted from the count.

Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 persons to be exempt, of which 143 are approved. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of January 30, 2020, this request will be in the 144th position of the 150 exemptions. There are an additional 50 exempt positions added by the City Council pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b)(4), of which 11 are filled. The Assistant Airport Police Chief position will direct LAWA's Airport Police patrol, traffic, security, and investigative services and support emergency operations provided to the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and the Van Nuys Airport (VNY). This position will work closely with the Airport Police Chief to develop appropriate policies, procedures, and staffing levels at LAX and VNY; will be responsible for directing the development of comprehensive security plans and coordinating emergency planning activities with outside agencies to ensure unified command during critical incidents at LAX and VNY; act on behalf of the Airport Police Chief during extended absences; and appear before the City Council, the Board of Airport Commissioners, and industry leaders to discuss safety concerns. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of this exemption. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE



**MEMBER VOTE**

KORETZ: YES

LEE: YES

PRICE: YES

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