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Prostitution is a significant issue in parts of the City, and especially so in parts of the San Fernando Valley. In recent years, the City has focused its efforts at combating prostitution on the pimps who exploit women and force them into prostitution, and on the johns who pay for sex with these women. Cities across California have used various tools to reduce the number of johns, including posting photographs and names of individuals convicted of soliciting sex on the internet, and sending johns to "John Schools," where individuals convicted of soliciting sex are sent instead of jail to learn about the dangers of sex trafficking. Some cities, including Oakland, issue "john letters" to the registered owner of vehicles that are spotted driving around in high-prostitution areas. The City of Los Angeles has successfully implemented John Schools as part of its efforts to eliminate sex trafficking, and should look at some of the other programs that have been implemented in other places to combat prostitution. John letters can be a helpful tool in the City's efforts to discourage johns from supporting prostitution.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney's Office be requested to report on issuing "john letters" to the registered owners of vehicles that are seen driving around in high-prostitution areas ~~of~~ the City of Los Angeles.

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