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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the donation of a Police Service Dog for the benefit of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Emergency Services Division.

Recommendation for Council action:

ACCEPT the donation of a Police Service Dog, valued at \$25,000, from the William H. Parker Foundation, for the benefit of the LAPD, Emergency Services Division; and, THANK the donor for this generous donation.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Board dated December 30, 2016, attached to the Council file, the LAPD recommends that the Board approve the donation of a Police Service Dog from the William H. Parker Foundation for the benefit of the LAPD, Emergency Services Division. The LAPD reports that the off-lead vapor wake detection canine will replace the recently retired K9 Riddick, which was the Department's only certified off-lead canine. An off-lead canine has the ability to search for explosive odor from a remote distance adding another layer of safety for the handler. The service dog being donated will also be trained in vapor wake detection. With the addition of this canine, the Department will field the first and only off-lead vapor wake detection dog in California. Veterinarian costs and dog food will be provided by the Department. At the meeting held on February 2, 2017, your Public Safety Committee considered this matter. An opportunity for public comment was held. After a brief discussion, the Committee recommended that Council approve the donation of a Police Service Dog for the benefit of the LAPD, Emergency Services Division, as recommended by the Board, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	ABSENT
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT
ME	