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Street gangs have been a persistent problem throughout the modern history of the City of Los Angeles, with almost every part of the City experiencing gang-related crime. In the western San Fernando Valley, street gangs have been a continuing problem, with various criminal acts being committed by gang members. As an example, in 2015, the Valley experienced a significant increase in murders, with a majority of them being gang-related.

Over recent years, the City has pioneered new efforts to address gang violence, with the Police Department (LAPD) often working hand-in-hand with the Mayor's Office of Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD). The City has moved on from only seeking to suppress gang activity through policing, and has also worked to keep children from joining gangs and assisting in intervention efforts. However, most of the reporting on the City's efforts to address gang violence has not focused on the western San Fernando Valley. It would be beneficial for Council to hear from LAPD and GRYD on gang issues in the west San Fernando Valley and on what the City is doing to address this ongoing problem.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Police Department (LAPD), with the assistance of the Mayor's Office for Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD), provide a written report on gang issues in the Western San Fernando Valley area of the City. The report should discuss the active gangs in the area and what types of crimes these gangs engage in, as well as information on gang intervention efforts and examples of challenges and successes that LAPD and GRYD have had in addressing gang crime in the western San Fernando Valley.

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