

MOTION

On Friday night December 2, 2016, a fire consumed a warehouse in Oakland, California known as the *Ghost Ship*, killing 36 partygoers, many of whom were part o Oakland's Artist community in the City's Fruitvale neighborhood, which is located approximately 4 miles southeast of Downtown, and also home to the city's largest Latino population.

The City of Oakland in investigating the exact cause of the fire, but what is known is that the warehouse was not permitted of dwelling units, and it had not been inspected in a number of years.

Of greatest concern for the City of Los Angeles, is the safety and inspections of large-capacity buildings that are used for events and/or parties, which have the potential to put hundreds of people at risk at any given time. It is imperative that Building and Safety and the Fire Department report back on existing inspection process, how City inspectors inspect high occupancy buildings and those used for event spaces and what steps are being taken to ensure we are being proactive in our safety efforts.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), with the assistance of the Fire Department, to prepare a report on what LADBS and the Fire Department are doing to ensure that buildings that serve high occupancy and/or event spaces are safe and up to fire/building and safety codes citywide and explain what current procedures are in place, and what steps are being taken to ensure we are proactive in our safety efforts.

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