

MOTION

TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #52

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) has committed sworn resources to numerous fire incidents and catastrophic events outside the City of Los Angeles since July 1, 2017. These incidents have included, among others, the Alamo Fire, Detwiler Fire, Whittier Fire, and the Orleans Complex Fire. Most recently, the La Tuna Fire erupted on September 1, 2017 burning 7,100 acres over several days, requiring the deployment of approximately 1,100 firefighters to extinguish. Also on September 1, the LAFD Urban Search and Rescue ((US&R) teams, comprised of 70 sworn members, were dispatched by FEMA to provide assistance in Texas, Alabama and Florida over several weeks due to the devastation caused by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

While the City will be reimbursed for these deployments pursuant to state and federal emergency declarations, the Department's Sworn Overtime account has been depleted. To illustrate the extreme disparity in current overtime activity, expenditures from Sworn Overtime average around \$250,000 per pay period, whereas recent pay periods have ranged from \$570,000 to \$2.7 million.

Adjustments to Sworn Overtime have been requested in the First Financial Status Report which has yet to be released. A transfer of \$4 million from LAFD's Sworn Salaries Account is requested to address immediate payroll needs and to ensure sufficient funding for the remainder of the fiscal year given high risk conditions for continued deployments within and outside the City. Sworn Overtime will continue to be monitored and addressed in the Financial Status Reports.

I THEREFORE MOVE that City Council, subject to approval of the Mayor, authorize the Controller to transfer \$4,000,000 within Fund 100/38, Fire Department, from Account 001012, Sworn Salaries, to Account 1092, Sworn Overtime.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Fire Department be authorized to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer, and that the Controller be authorized to implement the instructions.

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