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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(19) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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#### Impact Information

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Summary: Please see attached.



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January 7, 2021

Mayor Eric Garcetti  
City Council Members  
Craig Lally, Los Angeles Police Protective League

RE: COVID-related City budget shortfall  
CIS for Council File 20-0600

Dear Honorable(s) Mayor Garcetti, City Council Members, Mr. Lally,

In public communications from the city, the public has been warned repeatedly that dramatic budget cuts and subsequent service reductions are imminent given the diminishment of the City's General Fund reserves during the City's COVID-19 response. Per the Budget Advocates, Neighborhood Councils have been told that every city department has been requested to reduce their department budgets by 3%.

The exception to these austerity measures is the police department. Per the current city budget, members of the police union are slated to receive a 4.8% raise, plus \$41 million in new educational bonuses to the tune of \$123 million this fiscal year."\*

At the December 8th, 2020 City Council meeting, the Council voted to reject a plan put forth by Council Members Bonin and Price that would reduce the number of LAPD layoffs if the department identified other ways to cut costs. This prompted Council Member Price to say the following:

"I want to be clear: No one wants layoffs of civilian or sworn personnel; what we do want to see is compromise across the board with all departments to come back to the table and explore every option to save our City from further financial ruin."

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council agrees with the spirit of Council Member Price's statement. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused enormous disruption and economic pain in our city and City services are more critical than ever; we urge all parties to find a way to defer raises or find other LAPD related costs to reduce and put the welfare of all Angelenos first.

Sincerely,

Silver Lake Neighborhood Council

Passed at the January 14<sup>th</sup> SLNC Governing Board Meeting with a vote of Yes[19] No[0] Present Not Voting [0]

\*Op-Ed: Los Angeles is going off a fiscal cliff. This is no time to give pay raises to the police, Los Angeles Times, September 2, 2020. <http://tiny.cc/9g80tz>