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Summary: The Palms NC supports the request for a presentation about the feasibility of a CAHOOTS-type program for Los Angeles. We expect that the program will provide more appropriate care with less trauma at a more reasonable cost.

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To: Ad Hoc Committee on Police Reform Support

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(<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-0769-S1>) asks for the Los Angeles Fire Department and the City Administrative Officer to present a plan to expand the Advanced Provider Response Units (APRU) from 4 units to 11 in order to cover more of the City and to deal with non-violent and non-emergency calls that currently are assigned to the Los Angeles Police Department. It also asks for a report on resources needed to integrate mental health and social work professionals into APRUs to respond to a greater volume of calls.

Eugene, Oregon has a program called CAHOOTS (Crisis Assistance Helping Out On The Streets), one of the programs upon which this initiative is based. The Chief Legislative Analyst put out a report on 9/18/20 (https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2020/20-0769_rpt_CLA_09-18-2020.pdf) detailing the history and success of this and other programs. The program has been in place for more than 20 years. CAHOOTS deals with non-violent and non-emergency 911 calls. It uses 2% of the Eugene Police Department budget and handles 17% of the calls. This could be cost-saving to the city of Los Angeles along with offering a humane alternative to involving the police. The Palms NC supports the request for a presentation about the feasibility of a CAHOOTS-type program for Los Angeles. We expect that the program will provide more appropriate care with less trauma at a more reasonable cost.