

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the in-kind donation of multiple items to Fire Station 27.

Recommendation for Council action:

ACCEPT the in-kind donation of multiple items valued at \$31,992.30 to the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) for Fire Station 27; and, THANK the donor for their generous donation.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board of Fire Commissioners reports that there is no fiscal impact to the LAFD's budget from the acceptance of this donation. Donations provide the necessary items meeting the needs of the respective fire stations or administration sections. Replacement or repair of items meeting City specifications and LAFD business needs may be borne by General Fund, subject to budgetary constraints.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On December 8, 2020, your Committee considered a November 18, 2020 Board report relative the in-kind donation of multiple items valued at \$31,992.30 to the LAFD for Fire Station 27 in Hollywood. According to the Board, the purpose of the exercise equipment is to allow firefighters to maintain the necessary fitness levels to perform the often physically demanding fitness duties required in the course of their workday. Due to COVID-19, LAFD members have been unable to patronize private gyms on their off-days, so having proper fitness equipment at the fire station is of paramount importance for their health, wellness, and readiness to perform their job functions. The purpose of the kitchen equipment is to provide safe and sanitary food storage at the fire station. LAFD firefighters work 24-hour shifts and typically cook their meals at the fire station while on-duty. Safe food storage is critical to ensure firefighters remain healthy while on duty. Additionally, restrictions in place due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic have encouraged firefighters to be judicious in their decisions to eat meals at neighborhood restaurants, which means that since March, firefighters have likely been eating a higher percentage of meals at the fire station than may be typically normal. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of accepting the donation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES

BUSCAINO: YES
RYU: YES
LEE: ABSENT

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