

MOTION

On July 23, 2020 at approximately 7:30 p.m., Ivan Espinosa was found by officers sitting on the east sidewalk adjacent to 2526 South Hill Street, having suffered a gunshot wound to his lower abdomen. Officers immediately requested the assistance of a Rescue Ambulance. The Los Angeles Fire Department paramedics responded and treated the victim at the scene. The victim was transported to a local hospital where he received further medical treatment but failed to respond to the treatment and was pronounced deceased by the attending doctor. Surveillance video revealed the victim was involved in a fight with the suspects prior to the shooting. One of the suspects then produced a handgun and shot the victim. Both suspects fled the scene on foot and have not been identified.

The person or persons responsible for this crime represent an ongoing threat to the safety of the people of Los Angeles; therefore, it is appropriate for the City of Los Angeles to offer a reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Ivan Espinosa.

I THEREFORE MOVE that by adoption of this Motion, the City Council provide an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Ivan Espinosa on July 23, 2020, and in support thereof, make the following findings pursuant to Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code:

1. That the death of Mr. Espinosa was caused by the willful misconduct of one or more persons.
2. That this offer of reward is consistent with and taken for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety of local residents, as well as visitors to the City, and is consistent with the need to arrest and convict the person who, because of not being apprehended, could by their actions further terrorize and present a continuing and immediate menace to the rights of persons in the City.
3. That what happened to the victim is an especially disturbing crime and therefore, as a matter of public policy, the City hereby offers a reward as an added inducement for persons to come forward with information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Ivan Espinosa.
4. That the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.
5. That the offer of reward shall be in effect for six months from the date of the advertisement of the reward by the City Clerk.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be directed to cause notices and/or advertisements to be duly published according to the requirements of Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, and to thereby cause the offer of reward to become effective.



PRESENTED BY:


CURREN D. PRICE
Councilmember, 9th District

SECONDED BY:



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