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Violent crime increased dramatically in the City over 2020 from the previous year, with a significant upsurge in shootings and homicides as well as other types of violent crime. For the first time since 2009, there were over 300 homicides in the City, and gun crimes are at levels not seen in years. While crime rates are nowhere near where they were in the 1980s and 1990s, these increases are troubling, and have erased years of progress by the Police Department (LAPD) and its partners in crime reduction.

2020 was an anomaly in many ways, and it may be that this crime increase was driven by the pandemic and its impacts on the economy and society. Whatever the cause of this crime increase, the LAPD must do whatever it can to address it and ensure that 2021 is a much safer year for residents and visitors in the City.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Police Department be directed to report with an overview of the Department's plan to address the significant increase in violent crime being seen across the City.

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