

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) examining the feasibility of implementing new programs to curtail fireworks usage, including the creation of a reward program to encourage individuals to report major suppliers of illegal fireworks, and a fireworks buyback program.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Rodriguez - Koretz):

1. DIRECT the Department of Animal Services (DAS), with the assistance of the Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), to report with data on the number of animals recovered by the DAS or turned in by members of the public, and on the number of deceased animals recovered by BOS during periods of increased fireworks usage.
2. DIRECT the LAPD and the Information Technology Agency to report on ways to improve the fireworks complaint system by allowing system access two months before and after Independence Day and New Year's Eve, and potentially increasing the capacity of MyLA311 by allowing constituents to report illegal fireworks usage throughout the year under its service request feature.
3. DIRECT the LAFD and the LAPD, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to report on the establishment of a Fireworks Buyback Program, modeled after the City's Gun Buyback Programs.
4. DIRECT the LAPD, with the assistance of the City Attorney, report on the feasibility of implementing a reward program to offer rewards leading to the identification, arrest and conviction of persons responsible for the sale of illegal fireworks in the City.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst have completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For if Amended: Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On April 7, 2021, the Public Safety Committee virtually considered a Motion (Rodriguez - Koretz) relative to the LAPD and the LAFD examining the feasibility of implementing new programs to curtail fireworks usage, including the creation of a reward program to encourage individuals to report major suppliers of illegal fireworks, and a fireworks buyback program. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now transmitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Approved as amended (5) Yes; (0) No

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RODRIGUEZ	YES
O'FARRELL	YES
BUSCAINO	YES
DE LEON	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES

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