

MOTION

On August 14, 2022, an individual attacked a sidewalk vending location at the intersection of Canoga Avenue and Dumetz Road in Woodland Hills with an ax. It has been reported that the same individual attacked another vendor in May 2022.

There have reports of increasing numbers of similar attacks in other parts of Los Angeles and Southern California. These incidents often are not directed solely at the vending activity, but are accompanied by obvious anti-Latino and anti-immigrant language.

This sort of hateful vigilantism is illegal and immoral. While these attacks clearly violate existing laws, it is also clear that they target a vulnerable population.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the Bureau of Street Services, the Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department, the City Attorney and the Los Angeles Police Department, instructed to report within 30 days on:

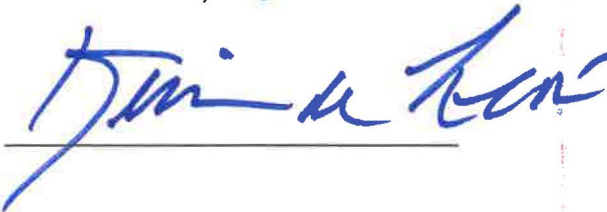
1. Existing laws and policies that apply to actual or threatened violence, or intimidating behavior or language, aimed at sidewalk vendors; and
2. Recommendations for additional laws or policies, including enhanced penalties, to deter and punish attacks on sidewalk vendors; and
3. Strategies for effective enforcement of existing or new laws or policies to protect sidewalk vendors.

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