

## SUBSTITUTE MOTION – ITEM 29

At approximately 4 p.m. on August 18, 2007 Jesus Guevara was shot in the back after exiting a liquor store at 3327 Eastern Avenue in El Sereno by unknown suspects riding in a dark colored four door sedan. Mr. Guevara, a 24-year-old who lived in the area, had just been cashing a check. The exact motive for this brutal incident is not known but police believe that he was a victim of mistaken identity.

Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) detectives from the Hollenbeck Division report that they have reached an impasse in their investigation due to the lack of witnesses willing to come forward. They believe that the offer of an award could bring a witness forward. Police assume that someone must have seen the incident given the location but no one has stepped forward as of this date.

The person or persons for this crime represent an on-going 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 shooting and killing of Jesus Guevara.

I THEREFORE MOVE that 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 murder on August 18, 2007 of Jesus Guevara, 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 killing of Jesus Guevara 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 or persons 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 the murder of Jesus Guevara 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 and apprehension of the person or persons committing the willful misconduct.
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 sixty (60) days from the date of the advertisement of the by the City Clerk.

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

PRESENTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
**JOSE HUIZAR**  
Councilmember, 14<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_