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Over the past year, the Los Angeles Police Department, Jail Division has streamlined its transport and booking processes. The LAPD teamed up with Toyota and implemented a variety of innovative time saving strategies. The LAPD was able to shave 15 minutes off each booking. The goal is to free up police officers and expeditiously return them to the field.

The Jail Division has 390 detention officer authorities. However, about 340 are filled. Detention officers are capable of booking arrestees, but not transporting them. If the Jail Division was adequately staffed with detention officers, it could possibly shave more time off of booking procedures. Another time and possibly cost saving strategy is outsourcing the transport of arrestees to private vendors who are licensed, trained and armed.

In a LAPD report dated July 22, 2005, the Jail Division stated that it would provide another report at the end of January 2006 with additional programs and procedures, and with quantitative data regarding the reduction of booking time. It is important to bring this matter back to the City Council for further review and consideration.

Streamlining the booking and jail transport procedures to free up police officers and expeditiously return them to the field is a priority. The LAPD should explain the booking and transport process for all nine jails (three regional and six area), what steps can be taken to increase staffing levels of detention officers and what other efficiencies can be implemented to provide a seamless operation.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the Los Angeles Police Department, Jail Division to:

1. provide an update on additional programs and procedures and quantitative data regarding the reduction of booking time.
2. identify steps that can be taken to increase the number of detention officers.
3. identify other efficiencies that can be implemented to provide a seamless transport and booking operation including, but not limited to outsourcing to a private vendor.

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