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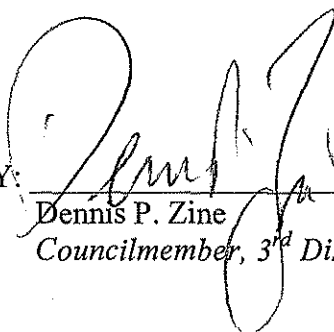
MOTION

The Los Angeles Police Commission, the civilian oversight body of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), routinely collects information related to complaints against officers accused of racial profiling and other misconduct. Last Friday, the Commission committed an extreme violation of its privacy policy by making public a confidential document that contained the names of specific LAPD officers accused of such misconduct. This breach of privacy, albeit unintentional, presents a serious threat to the safety of officers and the integrity of the disciplinary process.

In response to the incident, the Police Commission has blamed the mistake on a clerical error. Although the report was quickly removed from the Commission website, the effects of the information leak remain permanent. In order to protect officer privacy and to preserve trust in LAPD's Internal Affairs Group, the City Council should be fully debriefed on the details of this error and the measures put in place to prevent such occurrences in the future.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Police Commission be requested to report immediately to the Public Safety Committee with a detailed explanation of the errors that resulted in the release of a confidential report that contained names of LAPD officers accused of misconduct, including a plan to immediately correct all security deficiencies involving confidential information, and an update on any potential legal ramifications of this privacy breach.

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