The Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners convened at 1:08 p.m. in the Fire Commission Meeting Room, City Hall East, 200 N. Main Street, Los Angeles.

1. ROLL CALL - President Genethia Hudley-Hayes, Vice President Casimiro Tolentino, Commissioners Andrew Friedman and Jill Furillo; Fire Chief Douglas Barry and Deputy City Attorney Janet Jackson. Absent: Commissioner Diana Bontá

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

3. VERBAL PRESENTATION AND OVERVIEW OF THE MAYOR’S 2008-09 FIRE DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET
Recommendation: The Board provides instruction to staff and adopts any necessary action relative to the 2008-09 Fire Department proposed budget.

Fire Chief Barry and Fire Administrator Georgia Mattera provided an overview of the proposed budget [BFC 08-058] and discussed the concerns outlined in the Department’s correspondence (dated April 22, 2008) to the Budget and Finance Committee. The matter was opened for discussion and questions from the Commission. The Board prioritized their concerns and approved to the following:

**MOTION** (Friedman/Tolentino): That the President of the Board be authorized to draft and send a letter to the Honorable Bernard Parks, Chair of Budget and Finance Committee as well as to the Mayor’s office indicating the strong concern and opposition with the moving of the Fire Department Information Technology staff to the Information Technology Agency. The letter should outline the reasons why the Fire Commission would like them to please reconsideration.
**ADOPTED**:  AYES - 4  NAYS – 0

Page 292, Efficiencies to Services. 20. Staffing Adjustment.
**MOTION** (Hudley-Hayes/Furillo): In addition to sending the letter with the initial concern, that same letter include the (Board’s) concern with item number 20, Efficiency to Services; specifically, the reduction of 18 fire captain positions for EMS services. **ADOPTED**:  AYES - 4  NAYS – 0

Page 297, Increased Services. 34. Professional Standards Division.
**MOTION** (Furillo/Tolentino): That Commissioner Friedman write a letter to the Public Safety Chairperson on behalf of the Board regarding the development of the Professional Standards Division and the inspector general position so that the Fire Chief and the Board are involved in the development of the structure. Also, that Commissioner Friedman represents the Board at Council Committee meetings on this issue as necessary to oversee the development of the new inspector general position. **ADOPTED**:  AYES - 4  NAYS – 0
4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m. (Tolentino/Friedman)

ATTEST BY:

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GENETHIA HUDLEY-HAYES  BLANCA GOMEZ-REVELLES
President      Commission Executive Assistant II

Date: June 17, 2008

Note: Actions of the Board shall become final at the expiration of the next five meeting days of the City Council during which the Council has convened in regular session, unless the Council acts within that time by two-thirds vote to bring the action before it or to waive review of the action.