

LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FILE NO. 23-063

TO: Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM: Kristin M. Crowley, Fire Chief 

SUBJECT: CITY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES ACTIVITY REPORT

FINAL ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/Corrections	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn
	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input type="checkbox"/> Received & Filed	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

SUMMARY

Attached for review by the Board of Fire Commissioners is the City Council and Committees Activity Report, for the period of June 9, 2023, through July 5, 2023, from the Office of the Chief of Staff.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:
Receive and file the attached report.

The Board report was prepared by Deputy Chief Ronnie Villanueva, Chief of Staff.

Attachment



Council / Committee Activity Report

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT BFC 23-063, June 9, 2023, through July 5, 2023

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	FILE NO	Date	SUBJECT	REPRESENTATIVE	STATUS	ACTIVE WITH CITY ATTORNEY
City Council	21-0949	11/12/21	(Krekorian) Instruct the LAFD to report on its readiness to deal with a multiyear drought event and related implications for wildfire risk in Los Angeles communities. Additionally, the LAFD should report on best practices and citizens' responsibility to mitigate wildfire risk on private property.		City Council approved. Instructs FD to report back to PSC, date, TBD.	
Public Safety Committee	20-0146	11/15/21	(Bonin/Koretz/Blumenfeld) City Attorney, LAFD, DBS draft an ordinance to require the retrofit of all previously exempt non-sprinklered residential high-rises to conform to current fire code requirements. And LAFD with City Attorney and DBS recommend additional actions outlined in the Fire Commission's report to be required by the City that would require changes to the city laws and regulations. And the CLA and CAO report back on the feasibility of utilizing federal HUD or FHA loans, state or local funds and financial tools to assist building owners in the cost of these upgrades.	Saunders	DBS&LAFD transmitted joint report.	
City Council	21-0861	11/15/21	(Koretz) Instruct DBS, Engineering, & FD to prepare a report w/ recommendations relative to the existing inspection protocols for high-rise buildings, including the frequency of inspections, and structural, geological, topographical, and environmental/climate related considerations to prevent the type of tragic event that occurred in Surfside, Florida, and prepare maps that identify the location, by Council District, of all high-rise buildings in the City.	Saunders	City Council approved Instructing departments to report back to Committee.	
Public Safety Committee	21-0051	02/08/22	(MRodriguez) Instruct the Personnel Department, PD, FD and all city Departments be directed to conduct recent insurance at the Capitol and report on its plan to investigate, any findings, and disciplinary actions to any offenses. And be directed to report on the existing social media policy for employees, as it relates to hate speech guidelines and First Amendment rights.	Perez	Committee approved. Moves to PAW Committee, date, TBD.	
City Council	21-1209	02/16/22	(Buscaino) Instruct the CAO & LAFD to report with recommendations on the establishment of a volunteer emergency medical corps for the City of LA, to provide medical services to persons experiencing homelessness.	Perez/Dixon	Council approved, directs departments to report back.	
City Council	21-1283	02/23/22	(Cedillo) Relative to maintaining adequate sworn personnel staffing levels in the event of substantial noncompliance with the City's vaccination mandate for City workers.		Council adopted, instructing departments to report back to Committee.	
City Council	21-1461	02/23/22	(Rodriguez) Instruct FD & PD to report on the feasibility of replacing the CTS with the TEAMS II or a comparable system to track complaints and investigations of misconduct.		Council adopted, instructing departments to report back to Committee.	

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City Council	20-1478	03/25/22	(Rodriguez) CLA directed to report on Prop 19's projections to generate increased revenues for City Fire Services and on the steps necessary to ensure the City receives its share of any additional tax revenue resulting from the passage of this measure. Instruct the FD to report on available funding sources to expand fire facilities and resources, including a plan to expand staffing and facilities in Sylmar and restore the engine company at FS 74, projected need of any additional drill lower classes, and prioritize the restoration and expansion of fire resources in similar fire prone and disenfranchised communities across the City.		Council approved, instructs FD to report back to Committee.
City Council	22-0029	05/20/22	(Krekorian) Instruct the City Attorney, in consultation with DBS & FD to prepare an ordinance requiring property owners to install and maintain fire life safety equipment and enhanced security measures at any structure that remains vacant for more than 180 days. Furthermore, instruct the CA to consult with DBS & FD on a proactive vacant structure inspection program that will ensure that vacant structures throughout the City are held to the standards contemplated in the aforementioned ordinance.	Saunders	Council approved, instructing the CA to draft an ordinance.
Public Safety Committee AND Budget & Finance Committee	21-0980	06/30/22	(Rodriguez) Instruct the LAFD to report on the organizational study.	Gutierrez	Committee approved the item with recommendations. Heads to B&F, date TBD.
Public Safety Committee	21-1471	08/03/22	(Buscaino) PD, FD, and any other departments report in 30 days with recommendations to increase the recruitment of hiring of City of LA residents. And report with recommendations to establish an incentive program for current personnel who successfully recruit City residents to join the departments.	Larson/Gutierrez	FD transmitted report to PSC. Committee approved with amendments. Report back to PSC 30 days.
City Council	20-1178-S2	10/11/22	(Rodriguez) Direct the FD and CAO to begin negotiations of extension of an MOU between the County DMH & the City to continue funding models of the TVan for citywide expansion. Also, direct the CAO to report on a permanent funding source to sustain the Tvan program in the City.	Perez	City Council approved.
Energy, Environment, Climate Change & River Committee	20-1225	11/03/22	(Koretz) LAs Green New Deal / Healthy Soil Strategy / Urban Agriculture / Carbon Sequestration / Water Capture / Composting and Mulching Operations / Development. Instruct FD to report back on best practices to protect soil health during necessary brush clearance activities.		Committee approved with amendments. Heads to Council, date, TBD.
City Council	22-1464	03/15/23	(O'Farrell) City Council designate the LAFD as the LIA for the City of LA as it pertains to the development and maintenance of an integrated community alerting and notification system for petroleum refinery incidents in accordance with Cal Health & Safety Code. Furthermore, LAFD with the City Attorney, be instructed to report within 180 days on a fee schedule to recover the costs.	Dragatto/Long	Council approved, instructs the FD to recommend a fee schedule within 180 days.
City Council	23-0352	05/09/23	(Park) Instruct the LAFD to report on calls for service related to lithium-ion battery fires, recommendations for safety reforms including, but not limited to storage and building fire code, battery safety requirements, and implementation of a public awareness campaign.	Dragatto	Council approved, instructs FD to report back to PSC.
City Council	23-0353	05/09/23	(Park) Direct PD & FD to report on existing protocol for identifying and responding to new street drugs, including information sharing with other City Departments & the LA County of Public Health.	Dixon	Council approved, instructing the FD to report back to PSC.

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City Council	23-0489	06/07/23	(Rodriguez) FD report back on the current inventory of supplies. This report should include predicted shortage issues that will occur with ongoing supply chain issues including mitigation measures they may take to prevent shortages.	Caspian	Council approved, instructs the FD to report back to PSC.	
City Council	23-0404	06/07/23	(Rodriguez) FD report back on current testing being done, if any, to report the levels of PFAS in the firefighter protective gear and report back on the current plans to remove the hazardous firefighter gear from all inventory and fire stations across the city. This report should include funding needed for new and safe firefighter protective gear.	Caspian	Council approved, directing the FD to report back to PSC.	
City Council	12-0122-S1	06/22/23	(Krekorian) Instruct the FD to report on the details of implementing a False fire Alarm program that includes full cost recovery of sworn responses and required staff resources for successful program administration.	Perez/Steinberg	City Attorney transmitted Ordinance. Awaiting PSC & BFI Committee dates.	
Public Safety Committee	21-0465		(MRodriguez) Instruct FD and City Attorney with assistance of the CLA and CAO to report to the City Council on the number of patient transports provided for persons incarcerated in County jail, the length of average deployment, the rescue impact on standards of cover, and dollars spent on an annual basis for the past 5 years of deployment. Furthermore, instruct the FD and City Attorney with the CLA and CAO to report to the City Council on how the City can pursue full cost recovery for transport services rendered to the County.	Perez	Committee date, TBD.	
Housing Committee	21-0776		(Cedillo) Instruct FD, City Attorney to report with recommendations/proposed resolutions, to the Housing Committee on the disconnect between state and local code and the LA Fire Code as it relates to the definition of residential zoning classifications for transitional and supportive housing occupancy type, as further detailed in the text of the Motion.		Committee date, TBD.	
Ad Hoc COVID Committee	22-0065		(Rodriguez) Direct LAFD & EMD to look into expanding the existing contact with Curative to increase our Citywide effort for safe and accessible testing, reduce disparities in the response.		Committee date, TBD.	
Public Safety Committee	23-0049		(Hernandez) CAO identify funds to pay for travel, lodging, and any other expenses required for the Denver Support Team Assisted Response (STAR) Program to come to LA to make a presentation to the City Council and any relevant City Departments, including LAFD.	Perez	Committee date, TBD.	
Public Safety Committee	23-0332		(McOsker) LAFD report back on the Standards of Cover, as well as federal or state funding that may be available for the restoration of fire stations or services.	Perez/Thomas	Committee date, TBD	
Public Works Committee	11-1813-S8		(McOsker) Public Works, EMD, FD, DBS, DWP, and City attorney to report back on an analysis of regulating authority for the water basin under the purview of the City's jurisdiction, when it comes to the operations of the site, and its potential water contamination produced by the Rancho LPG Facility.	R.Long	Committee date, TBD.	
Government Operations	23-0506		(Raman) BOE & FD report back within 90 days with a project development plan and potential funding sources to fortify FS 79 to protect the station from vehicle strikes, including recommendation for the placement of bollards or other protective installations.	Caspian/Fields	Committee date, TBD.	
Public Safety Committee	20-1178-S3		(McOsker) Direct the LAFD to report within 45 days on the feasibility of moving the TVan from FS40 to another dispatch center in the Harbor Area, this includes a list of FSs within CD15 that could serve as a dispatch center.	Dixon	Committee date, TBD.	