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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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TO:

Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM:

Douglas L. Barry, Fire Chief

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09 DUP

FINAL ACTION:	Approved	Approved w/Corrections	Withdrawn
	Denied	Received & Filed	Other

Recommendations: That the Board:

- 1. Approve the Proposed Budget for FY 2008-09, subject to technical adjustments.
- 2. Authorize the Department's Budget Management Section to make technical adjustments, as necessary, to implement the Board's intention.
- 3. Authorize the Department to transmit the Proposed Budget to the Mayor and the Office of the City Administrative Officer.

Summary: The Department's Proposed Budget for FY 2008-09 has been developed based on the Mayor's goals, and guidelines provided by the Mayor's Office and City Administrative Officer. This budget also reflects the collaboration of Department management, staff, and representatives from concerned labor organizations.

The proposed budget identifies the Department needs to improve Department operations, provide for the health and safety of our firefighters, and ensure that Department programs provide both the City of Los Angeles and its citizens with the highest level of <u>service</u>. These are in line with the Mayor's and the Department's goals to address various audit recommendations and to improve Public Safety by enhancing the Department's ability to effectively respond to emergencies while improving the delivery of services to neighborhoods. The Obligatory changes reflect cost of living and expense increases, continuation of recruit training and other programs approved within the current fiscal year, as well as regularization and continuation of positions to provide support to critical Department programs.

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The budget submitted reflects the fiscal realities facing the City in the upcoming year(s) and only the most essential and critical requests are submitted for further review and funding consideration.

<u>Conclusion</u>: The approved proposed budget is to be submitted to the Mayor and Office of the City Administrative Officer by December 20, 2007.

Board report prepared by Sandra Ocon, Senior Management Analyst II, Administrative Services Bureau.

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Attachment