

AUGUST 18, 2015

**LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT**



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FIRE CHIEF

August 6, 2015

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS  
FILE NO. **15-084**

TO: Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM: *RMT* Ralph M. Terrazas, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: LAFD PROJECT STATUS REPORT

FINAL ACTION: ☐ Approved  
☐ Denied

☐ Approved w/Corrections  
☐ Received & Filed

☐ Withdrawn  
☐ Other

**SUMMARY**

Attached for the Board of Fire Commissioners review is the LAFD project status report dated August 6, 2015 from the Planning Section. This report was prepared for the Fire Commission Meeting on August 18, 2015.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board:  
Receive and file.

Board report prepared by Steve Hissong, Battalion Chief, Planning Section.

Attachment

**LAFD Project Status Report BFC 15-084**  
**August 18, 2015**

Topic of Information Requested	LAFD Primary Contact	Assisting Staff	Date Requested	Requested By	Fire Commission Report Date	Written or Verbal	Update
Arson/Counter Terrorism Section (ACTS)	Michael Little		12/16/14	Steve Fazio Delia Ibarra Andrew Glazier	08/18/15	Written	Report on the progress of adopted recommendations from the Independent Assessor's audit. Update to include possibility of fire investigation training in the Recruit Training Academy, upgraded technology and the possibility of bringing in subject matter experts for investigations.
Fast Response Unit	Marc Eckstein, Dr.	Timothy Ernst	07/07/15	Andrew Glazier	08/18/15	Verbal	As reported in Commission, funding for the Fast Response Vehicle was approved by Council via File No. 14-0600 on 6/30/15. The Commission requested an update on the progress of the deployment plan as soon as possible.
NPRU Protocols	Marc Eckstein, Dr.		07/21/15	Andrew Glazier	09/01/15	Written	Report requested to provide the details of NPRU response and progress of policy/protocols.
Fire Communications Systems Upgrade Plan	Maggie Goodrich		05/05/15	Andrew Glazier	09/01/15	Written	An overall technology upgrade/implementation plan with timelines is requested. The report should be inclusive of AVL, CAD, RNC, FSA and any other projects that may be part of the overhaul of the dispatch systems.
Modifications to Disciplinary Process	Kristin Crowley	Paul Hayashida	01/21/14	Andrew Glazier Delia Ibarra	09/01/15	Written	Professional Standards Division is currently working on a report to present to the Fire Chief. Discussions with the Independent Assessor are continuing based on her time and availability.
Briefing on "Wall Time" Statistics and Mental Health Transports	Marc Eckstein, Dr.	Timothy Ernst	07/07/15	Steve Fazio Andrew Glazier	09/15/15	Written	Quarterly comparison report requested on the amount of time spent at hospitals waiting for transfer of care in conjunction with transporting mental health patients to identified health facilities (subject matter expert requested from LA County DHS).
Recruitment Strategic Plan	Richard Rideout	Roy Harvey	06/16/15	Andrew Glazier Steve Fazio	10/06/15	Written	Comprehensive report requested on the overall goals of the Recruitment Unit. It should include specifics, targets, and benchmarks to measure success and effectiveness.
Department Fleet Replacement Program	Wade White	Mark Clark	07/07/15	Andrew Glazier Steve Fazio	10/06/15	Written	A comprehensive analysis complete with data points of projected needs is requested as well as the scorecard that provides a threshold to remove vehicles out of service.
Qily 4 Bureau Status Report	Dayl Arbutnot Joe Castro Daren Palacios Phillip Fljgiel		07/21/15	Andrew Glazier	10/20/15	Verbal	This report will allow each of the Bureau Commanders to report on highlights within their respective regions. The types of information that Commissioner Glazier requested: data trends, challenges, incident types.
Sansio/EPCR Update	Ernst, Timothy		08/04/15	Andrew Glazier	11/17/15	Verbal	Update request to be presented at Commission on the results of the new software testing taking place in October before the roll out in December.
Supplement FPB Inspections Staffing with Civilian Employees	John Vidovich		08/04/15	Delia Ibarra	11/17/15	Written	Commissioner Ibarra would like the Department to look into the feasibility of hiring civilian employees on a temporary or permanent basis and provide alternatives to the current sworn model to address backlogs.
Standards of Cover	Steve Hissong		10/07/14	Andrew Glazier	TBD	Written	There have additional revisions to the RFQ. The Department is working with labor to finalize the document to present to Commission.
Cadet Fasttrack Through Hiring Process/Ambulance Operator Program	Richard Rideout Mario Rueda		06/02/15	Andrew Glazier Delia Ibarra	TBD	Written	Report requested on a career ladder to facilitate the hiring of Cadets and the feasibility of hiring ambulance operators to transition to Firefighters.