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CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION'S REQUEST TO FUND LASD COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

Dear CEO Davenport:

This communication is to provide the Chief Executive Office (CEO) the Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission (Commission) priorities, staff report, and public input received regarding the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Budget.

At the June 16, 2022 Commission meeting, the [Office of Inspector General \(OIG\) discussed](#) urgent concerns related to LASD's outdated Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD) and its inability to interface with the Sheriff's Automated Contact Reporting Systems (SACR). Due to this lack of interface, traffic stop data must be manually entered into both systems, and OIG found the SACR underreported arrests by at least 71,462. LASD is required to report this data to the California Attorney General pursuant to the Racial and Identity Profiling Act of 2015, however, compliance with this Act has been hampered.

As a result, the Commission passed a motion at its June 2022 meeting requesting that a letter be submitted to the Chief Executive Office (CEO) and the Board of Supervisors (BOS) recommending that the BOS provide funding for LASD Unmet Needs Item #5 - Computer Aided Dispatch Replacement Project, which includes seven (7) positions and a Net County Cost of \$13,143,000.

The Commission's Budget Ad Hoc Committee analyzed, to the extent possible, the LASD FY 2022-23 departmental budget priorities and unmet needs request, and solicited community input through a [conference](#) held by the ad hoc and by accepting written public comments in [January 2022](#) and [March 2022](#). A [staff report](#), presented at the March 17, 2022 Commission meeting, recommends that LASD maintain a balanced and transparent budget by requesting that LASD submit the following annually:

1. A written budget mitigation plan and/or budget status report to CEO, BOS and the Commission.
2. A written report on Provisional Financing Uses (PFU) spending (spending plans and reporting funds spent) to CEO, BOS and the Commission.

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There continues to be insurmountable social and public safety needs that far outweigh budgetary constraints. The Commission encourages LASD, CEO and BOS to continue examining the LASD Budget through the lens of what is most beneficial to the community. Commission staff will continue to monitor and analyze the LASD Budget, and report back as needed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at (213) 253-5678.

Sincerely,



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