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The Honorable Alex Villanueva, Sheriff Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department 211 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR LASD'S PLANS ON THE COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH SYSTEM REPLACEMENT, BUDGET MITIGATION AND PROVISIONAL FINANCING USES (PFU) SPENDING

Dear Sheriff Villanueva:

The Civilian Oversight Commission (Commission) is committed to serving as a critical advisory body to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) and would like to thank LASD for its participation in the Commission's review of the LASD Budget and for meeting with the Budget Ad Hoc Committee.

At the June 16, 2022, Commission meeting, the Commission passed a motion to recommend that the Chief Executive Office (CEO) and the Board of Supervisors (BOS) fund the LASD Unmet Needs Item #5 - Computer Aided Dispatch Replacement Project. Consequently, the Commission requests that LASD provide a copy of its proposal to replace the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system.

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 <u>conference</u> held by the ad hoc and by accepting written public comments in <u>January</u> 2022 and <u>March 2022</u>. A <u>staff report</u>, 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.

Accordingly, the Commission requests that LASD respond in <u>writing on LASD letterhead</u> by **July 8**, **2022**, with the status of LASD's proposal for the CAD system replacement and a commitment to comply with the above recommendations. Thank you for your consideration. Feel free to contact me at (213) 253-5678 with any questions or concerns regarding this matter

Sincerely,

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