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**Council File Number**

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**Title**

SAFETY VALET PROGRAM

**Subject**

Motion - On June 25, 2005, the City Council adopted the Personnel Committee report authorizing the Executive Director of the Commission on Children, Youth, and Their Families (CCYF) to accept a \$464,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) and to implement a "Safe Corridors Project" in 100 elementary schools within the City of Los Angeles during a two-year period. The goal of the Safe Corridors Project is to decrease the number of pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle accidents that occur around schools by providing training to parents and volunteers to control traffic congestion. This project requires the involvement of parents, teachers, students, Department of Transportation staff, the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Unified School District officials, as well as other public and private entities. The Safety Valet Program was launched in the City of Los Angeles in May of 2005. This program is part of the Safe Corridors Project run by CCYF, in collaboration with the Department of Transportation, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), the Los Angeles Unified School District, and the City Attorney's Office. The Safety Valet Program allows for LAPD-trained parent volunteers to help students safely move from cars to classrooms. The parent volunteers open car doors, direct students to school entrances, and help keep traffic flow moving. The Safety Valet Program demonstrates the enormous influence of parental involvement in transforming our schools. By bringing parents into the traffic safety planning process and giving them full access to the City's transportation resources, the Safety Valet Program eliminates such hazards as students running across the street and parents making illegal turns or performing other traffic activities that put children at risk. The benefits of the Safety Valet Program must be brought to as many schools as possible. Given that one of the goals of the Mayor's new education plan is to focus on parental involvement and local school-site control, the Safety Valet Program should be expanded to each of the elementary schools included in the selected clusters of the Mayor's plan. THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Commission for Children, Youth, and Their Families to: 1) report on the status of the Safety Valet Program; 2) report with a plan to prioritize expanding the program to the elementary schools included in the selected clusters of the Mayor's new education plan; and 3) report on the costs of expanding the program.

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