

The Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) has committed sworn resources to numerous fire incidents and catastrophic events within and outside the City of Los Angeles since July 1, 2017. On October 18, 2017, City Council approved a \$4 million inter-account fund transfer to the Sworn Overtime account to cover deployments to such significant incidents as Hurricane Harvey and the La Tuna Fire (C. F. 17-1179). Since then, mass deployments to recent severe fire events, including, but not limited to, the Thomas, Creek and Skirball fires, have again depleted the overtime account as of the pay period ending January 6, 2018.

Typically, during the winter season, expenditures from the Sworn Overtime account range from \$250,000 to \$300,000 per pay period. As a result of the magnitude of firefighting responses to combat the recent devastating fires, the unprecedented level of overtime expenditures has reduced the overtime payroll balance to \$892,144, which is insufficient funding for the pay period ending January 6, 2018. Therefore, Council approval is urgently needed to expedite the necessary transfer of funds to balance salary accounts. Due to the high severity fire conditions anticipated for several months, a fund transfer of \$7 million is requested to cover overtime payrolls through the remainder of the fiscal year.

I THEREFORE MOVE that City Council, subject to approval of the Mayor, authorize the Controller to transfer \$7,000,000 within Fund 100/38, Fire Department, from Account 001012, Sworn Salaries, to Account 001092, Sworn Overtime.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Fire Department be authorized to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer, and that the Controller be authorized to implement the instructions.

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