

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** If the City Council is going to cut \$150 Million dollars from the Los Angeles Police Department budget, and replace Police as first responders to events where armed force is not needed, at least not initially, then the Council needs to rethink proposals like 19-0157: "To expand the Community Online Reporting Service (CERS)" CERS is only for online filing of reports of non-emergency, non-injury, and non-firearm-related incidents, for example, Harassing Phone Calls, Lost Property, Vandalism, Theft, and Hit and Run. The proposal adds "cybercrimes", though provides no definition that might limit the inclusion of anything that in any way touches any internet-connected device. Instead of expanding this L.A.P.D. service, the City Council should be exploring reorganizing it under MyLA311, which already assigns service requests that require a Police response to the L.A.P.D. Building MyLA311 with properly trained and equipped staff, and if necessary, with funds previously allocated to CERS, will reduce functional overlap of these two Departments, and will be a concrete step toward reimagining Police.