

Communication from Public

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Council File No: 24-0910

Comments for Public Posting: I believe that there needs to be protection for people who are being demonized and attacked by others when they wish to enter a synagogue, school, or other place. As the US Supreme Court judged decades ago, "It is unlawful to yell fire in a crowded theatre", when there is no fire. Violent speech can often lead to physical violence as we have seen on January 6, 2021, and at other times as well, including on line incitements to violence via "free speech". This has happened far too often over the past year at universities and other places. Frequently, the protesters yell about their free speech rights while denying those who are the targets of their "Reigns of Terror", freedom to speak. The points of view and free speech of Jews are often drowned out during the verbal and sometimes physical assaults which have been perpetrated against too many Jewish & non Jewish students and non students. There needs to be a stop to harassment of Jews and non Jews if need by, but there are more attacks against Jews than any other group in the country. Hardly any Muslims in this country are attacked, while Jews are targets from the right and the left. It is up to government, city, state, Federal to protect innocent victims of hate and discrimination and the Jews of California are counting on Governor Newsom to step up and offer the fullest protection available to them by signing the bills on his desk. Accordingly, I support Council file number 24-0910

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Name: sanaia

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Comments for Public Posting: I oppose the motion to instate bubble zones around sensitive sites because of concern over criminalizing protest. The First amendment right to free speech is protected behavior practiced by union workers and members of the public. Criminalizing this behavior necessarily puts community members in harms way and presents new opportunities to have run-ins with the police. Please instead consider a process involving community stakeholders that seeks to address the inaction of LAPD in instances where protesters have been harmed while engaging in protest and civil disobedience. Thank you

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Name: Sharone Weltfreid

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Comments for Public Posting: Given the rise of incidents of physical assault and verbal harassment/antisemitic rhetoric towards Jews outside of vulnerable sites, such as synagogues, it is imperative to implement a “buffer zone” ordinance to protect sensitive sites (e.g., religious institutions, healthcare facilities, and community centers) from obstruction and intimidation during protests. The proposed ordinance aims to balance the right to protest with the right of individuals to freely access these locations safely.