

ARTS, PARKS, LIBRARIES, AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT relative to steps that can be taken to enhance safety for the City's library workforce and its patrons, inclusive of enhanced security, workplace violence prevention plans and trainings, and related matters.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Park – Padilla):

1. INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), in consultation with the Police Department's Security Services Division, the Office of Unarmed Response, and the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) Department, to report on immediate steps that can be taken to enhance safety for the City's library workforce and its patrons, inclusive of enhanced security, workplace violence prevention plans and trainings as required by SB 533, capital improvements, enforcement of library suspensions and faster response times from law enforcement to calls for service.
2. INSTRUCT the Police Department and Fire Department to report on calls for service at library branches between calendar years 2017 and 2024, broken down by call type and branch location;
3. INSTRUCT the Library Department to report on the following:
 - a. Incidents reported via the Online Incident Report System between calendar years 2021 and 2024, broken down by incident type and library branch location
 - b. Libraries that are assigned contract security
 - c. Libraries that have been assigned LAPD overtime details between calendar years 2017 and 2024
 - d. Libraries that are assigned Mental Health Service Providers as approved by Council (CF 22-1551)
 - e. Number of library suspensions filed between calendar years 2019 and 2024, broken down by library branch location, in addition to challenges to enforcing library suspensions
4. INSTRUCT the LAPL in partnership with Community Based Organizations focused on Care First approaches to safety to report on the current care first safety policies in use at library facilities and recommendations to improve and expand these efforts.
5. REQUEST the Mayor's Office to report on opportunities for expansion of the CIRCLE program to specifically assist Los Angeles Public Library branches.
6. DIRECT the LAPL, with support from the CLA and the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to review opportunities for funding and work in collaboration with the LA County Department of Mental Health, Alternative Crisis Response, 988 Call

Center, field intervention teams, mental health urgent care centers and the Therapeutic Transportation Program to support the needs of the Library Department.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

On February 25, 2025, your Committee considered Motion (Price – Hutt) relative to instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst to report on a pilot program for the distribution of naloxone in South Los Angeles and it be funded through the Opioid Settlement funding.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations in the Motion as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,
ARTS, PARKS, LIBRARIES, AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
JURADO:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES
NAZARIAN:	ABSENT

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