

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** In response to COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER relative to funding options and positions to support Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) sworn hiring. There are several recent lawsuits involving the LAPD, including a protester suing the department after being injured by a foam projectile during an anti-ICE protest, and an officer alleging defamation and retaliation within the department. These cases highlight ongoing issues related to police conduct and civil rights in Los Angeles. The ACLU filed a federal lawsuit against the LAPD for racial profiling, alleging that officers stopped and searched nonwhite motorists without valid reasons. A federal judge recently barred the LAPD from using 40mm less-lethal launchers for crowd control, following evidence of misuse during protests. This ruling came after a history of complaints regarding excessive force and violations of previous restrictions on the use of such weapons. These lawsuits reflect ongoing concerns about police practices in Los Angeles, particularly regarding the treatment of protesters and minority communities. The outcomes may influence future policies and practices within the LAPD. DON'T REPLACE NON-SWORN CITY EMPLOYEES with sworn officers. Officers should not be doing office work. Don't lay off city employees at the Personnel Department and replace them with LAPD officers. It is unethical!