

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the costs of responding to illegal fireworks over the July 4th weekend and the feasibility of a drone pilot program to detect and fine illegal firework use.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Lee – McOsker):

- 1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department to report to the Council on the costs incurred by the City in responding to fires and other emergency calls caused by illegal fireworks over the most recent July 4th holiday weekend, including personnel, equipment, and property damage estimates.
- 2. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department, with the assistance of the City Attorney and any other relevant departments, be instructed to report on the feasibility and cost of implementing a drone pilot program specifically during high-firework-use periods, such as the July 4th holiday, that would allow for real-time identification and administrative fines to be issued to homes and individuals responsible for the use of illegal fireworks.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

On August 20, 2025, your Public Safety Committee considered Motion (Lee - McOsker) relative to requesting reports on the costs of responding to illegal fireworks over the July 4th weekend, and the feasibility of a drone pilot program to detect and fine illegal firework use.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
LEE	YES
PRICE	ABSENT
McOSKER	YES
SOTO-MARTÍNEZ	YES
PARK	YES

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