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Honorable Councilmembers
Civil Rights, Equity, Immigration, Aging and Disability Committee
City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall
Attention: Jason Lopez

RESPONSE TO COUNCIL FILE 25-0887

Background:

On September 3, 2025, the Los Angeles City Council adopted a motion (Council File 25-0887) instructing the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), along with several other City departments, to report on:

- (a) any instances of private property being abandoned on City property as a result of Federal immigration enforcement;
- (b) department protocols for collection, storage, disposal, and release of private property abandoned due to such enforcement; and
- (c) recommendations to ensure the safe and timely return of property to affected individuals or their families.

This report is provided in response to that instruction.

Analysis / Findings:

Following an internal review of RAP-managed facilities, public counters, park sites, and open spaces, including consultation with Park Rangers, Recreation Services staff, and Maintenance personnel,



RAP identified no instances in which private property was abandoned on Department property as a direct result of Federal immigration enforcement.

RAP staff report no notifications from LAPD, other City departments, or federal agencies regarding detentions at or near RAP sites resulting in abandoned personal belongings.

RAP currently follows standard City procedures for handling lost or abandoned personal property, including logging, secure storage, retention periods, and release to individuals who can verify ownership. Routine lost-and-found items at parks and recreation centers do not indicate any connection to immigration enforcement. RAP does not maintain a protocol specific to federal immigration enforcement incidents, as no such cases have occurred at RAP sites.

Recommendations:

That the City Council NOTE and FILE this report, as it is provided for informational purposes only.

Sincerely,

JIΜMY KIM

General Manager