

For Tuesday, February 17

MOTION

Large public demonstrations occur regularly in the City of Los Angeles and require coordinated planning, clear communication, and thoughtful crowd-management strategies to ensure public safety while protecting the constitutional right to peaceful assembly. In recent weeks, federal immigration enforcement actions have contributed to heightened activity in and around the civic center area, generating public discussion regarding the tactics used to manage crowds, deploy resources, and coordinate with partner agencies during dynamic situations.

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is frequently tasked with responding to complex and rapidly evolving demonstrations that can involve participants of all ages, shifting routes, and heightened public attention. Ensuring that the Department's crowd-control tactics, training, and communication protocols reflect best practices in de-escalation and proportional response is essential to maintaining public trust and supporting officers in the field. Transparency regarding these strategies can help the City better understand how decisions are made and where improvements or additional resources may be needed.

As demonstrations continue to take place across Los Angeles, it is important for the City Council and the public to receive a comprehensive overview of LAPD's general crowd-management approach, including how tactics are selected, how officers are trained, and how coordination occurs with other agencies.

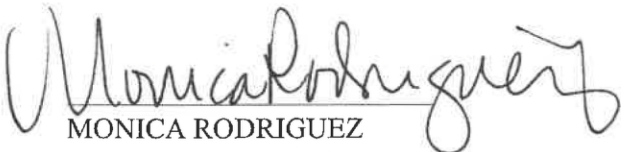
I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council DIRECT the Chief of Police to appear before the City Council and report on LAPD crowd-control and crowd-management tactics used during public demonstrations citywide, including:


- Current policies, training, and supervision related to crowd management and public assembly events;
- The use of skirmish lines, dispersal orders, crowd-control formations, and enforcement actions during demonstrations;
- Communication and de-escalation strategies used to engage with demonstrators and the public;
- Protocols governing coordination with federal, state, or other outside law enforcement agencies during demonstrations; and
- Departmental guidelines and training related to youth-led demonstrations and interactions with minors when they are present at public demonstrations.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council REQUEST the Police Commission, with the assistance of the Chief of Police, to review LAPD crowd-management policies, including use of force, coordination with outside agencies, and interactions with minors, and report back with recommended policy and training revisions.

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