

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PERSONNEL AND HIRING COMMITTEE relative to the exemption of one Deputy General Manager Airports I (Class Code 0162) position for the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the exemption of one Deputy General Manager Airports I (Class Code 0162) position for the LAWA from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b).

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Mayor. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE – SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – SEPTEMBER 15, 2026)

Summary:

On September 9, 2026, the Committee Chair considered an August 21, 2026 report from the Mayor relative to the exemption of one Deputy General Manager Airports I (Class Code 0162) position for the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) from the Civil Service pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b). According to the Mayor, Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 positions to be exempted from Civil Service rules to provide management, professional, scientific, or expert services of an exceptional character across City departments (including Proprietary Departments). There are an additional 50 exempt positions added by the City Council pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b)(4), of which 37 have been filled and 13 are available. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of August 21, 2026, this request will be the 38th filled position of the additional 50 exemptions.

This *Deputy General Manager Airports of Public Safety and Security* position will oversee the following LAWA divisions: Airport Police, Public Safety & Security, Emergency Management, and Airport Response Control Center (ARCC); and will report to the Chief Operations and Maintenance Officer. Key responsibilities include leading LAWA's law enforcement and security operations, coordinating counterterrorism and security efforts with local, state, and federal agencies, directing emergency preparedness and response across all airports, and serving as the primary executive liaison to external governmental, non-profit, and private partners. After consideration, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the exemption. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Councilmember Tim McOsker, Chair
Personnel and Hiring Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

McOSKER: YES

RODRIGUEZ: ABSENT

SOTO-MARTINEZ: ABSENT

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