

PUBLIC SAFETY

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND GENERAL SERVICES

According to the 9/11 Commission and counter-terrorism experts, Los Angeles is an international target for terrorism. City leaders are taking every opportunity to proactively ensure the City's safety. Grants from the Department of Homeland Security have been used to train first responders and purchase equipment to combat threat.

While the City prepares its own public safety personnel including the Police Department, Fire Department, Emergency Preparedness Department, Office of Public Safety, etc. for high threat incidents, the City must not forget the private security guards who are contracted to secure city owned public facilities like the Convention Center, Coliseum and water treatment facilities. Private security guards who do business with the City must be held to the same high standards as the City's public safety personnel.

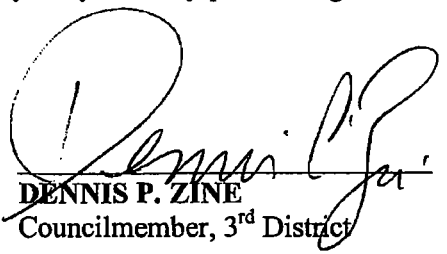
I THEREFORE MOVE that, the City Council direct the Office of Public Safety to:

1. report to the Public Safety, Information Technology and General Services Committees on the training standards and certification requirements for private security guards currently contracted by the City of Los Angeles with responsibility for securing City-owned facilities.

2. include in its report the fiscal impact to the General Fund should the City of Los Angeles impose the same training standards and certification levels to contracted private security guards as it does for security guards employed directly by the City.

3. include in its report any proposed changes to existing contracts with private security guard companies responsible for City-owned facilities to ensure cost neutrality while maintaining the same training and certification standards for contracted personnel as are required for security guards currently employed by the City performing the same duties.

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