

Over the past months the City has seen a significant increase in violence between protestors and counter protesters at schools, religious institutions, and culturally significant locations that has at times spilled into our neighborhoods and communities. This rise in violence has stoked fear in the Jewish community and across the city. Incidents at UCLA, outside of the Museum of Tolerance, and at two synagogues in the past week have demonstrated the immediate need for enhanced community security services and training.

The Jewish Federation, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, has provided security training for religious institutions to enhance safety and security. Magen Am is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides licensed security patrol services in Jewish communities. The Jewish Community Foundation provides grants to nonprofit community-based organizations to enhance community safety so is uniquely positioned to administer funds to support these types of efforts. While the Governor has announced that grant funding will be available in the future, there is an immediate need to fund security services and provide grants to secure Jewish institutions now with the goal of having those funds reimbursed in the future from State or Federal grants.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the City Administrative Officer to transfer \$1,000,000 from the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Unappropriated Balance for Mid-Year Adjustments to a new account to be established for community security services, training, and grants.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council direct the City Administrative Officer to enter into a sole-source contract with the Jewish Federation in the amount of \$400,000 to its Community Security Initiative, a sole-source contract with Magen Am in the amount of \$350,000 for community patrols, and a sole-source contract in the amount of \$250,000 to the Jewish Community Foundation to fund grants to non-profit organizations to support community safety initiatives in the Jewish communities of Los Angeles.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be authorized to make any necessary corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.



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I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be instructed and authorized to prepare, process, and execute the necessary documents with and/or payments to the Jewish Federation, Magen Am, the Jewish Community Foundation, or any other agency or organization, as appropriate, utilizing the above amount, for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

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