

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS
CIVIL RIGHTS, EQUITY, IMMIGRATION,
AGING AND DISABILITY

MOTION

On Friday, June 6, 2025, the federal government, through personnel allegedly representing Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Customs and Border Patrol, and/or the Department of Homeland Security, escalated their operations within the City of Los Angeles by stopping, detaining, searching, and in some cases, arresting individuals in parking lots, businesses, and on public streets.

Constituents from across the City report that masked personnel, many of whom do not wear nametags, badges, or display other official affiliation, have stopped them in public spaces and demanded to see identification documents, asked questions about immigration status, and/or illegally detained or arrested individuals without a lawful warrant. In some cases, federal personnel have produced unsigned or blank warrants, claiming these mandate compliance with their demands.

Federal law enforcement personnel acting without reasonable suspicion or without a valid warrant prior to stopping, questioning, detaining, or arresting Los Angeles residents is a violation of their constitutional and civil rights. Moreover, it threatens the safety of our communities. It brings into question the applicability of qualified immunity for federal law enforcement agents who knowingly disregard the constitutional or civil rights of persons in the United States, and consciously break the law by detaining, searching, or otherwise denying individuals their rights, solely on the basis of their appearance.

Our Los Angeles City Attorney is exploring all available legal remedies against the Trump Administration's persecution of our City, including claims alleging violations of Fourth Amendment protections. However, there is a clear need to prioritize immediate action to protect the civil rights of our residents and prevent the unconstitutional search, seizure, and detention of Angelenos. Our residents and businesses are suffering lost income, property damage, physical and emotional stress, and injury due to these unlawful actions.

The City's engagement on this issue is essential to stop the illegal activity of the federal government and its personnel, to affirm the constitutional and civil rights of our residents, and to restore public safety and the security of our neighborhoods. Our identity as the City of Los Angeles includes pride for our diversity and multiethnic belonging, built over more than two and a half centuries of immigration from every corner of the world.


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