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On the morning of June 6, 2025, US Homeland Security forces, including Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and other federal agencies, began to conduct raids across the City of Los Angeles. The raids continued over the weekend throughout the LA region, taking over 300 people according to immigrant rights advocates.

In context of these federal actions, there have been alleged reports from stakeholders of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) providing support for Federal Immigration enforcement entities, despite the City being a Sanctuary City and clear guidelines outlining that City resources are not to be used to facilitate immigration enforcement.

In February of this year, LAPD was also seen allegedly providing support to federal immigration enforcement, just two months after the passing of the Sanctuary City ordinance. Clear guidance is still needed in order to both provide information to the public and ensure that our City departments are acting within protocol to support all Angelenos.

LAPD works on behalf of the people of Los Angeles, and is required by law to uphold and defend the constitution, including when unconstitutional actions of any government - including the federal government - occur. The recent actions of the Federal Immigration Enforcement, such as the taking of residents without due process and withholding access to an attorney, could be a violation of the Fourth Amendment and deemed unconstitutional. The City facilitating any of those activities may be considered aiding in these acts, and create new liabilities via litigation and leads to reduced safety of our residents and trust in LAPD as a public entity.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council REQUEST the City Attorney to report back in 15 days on any and all laws at every level of government that require and/ or trigger LAPD to respond to a call for assistance from another law enforcement agency and any municipal code or Department policy change that narrows or conditions those requirements based on upholding the constitutional rights of Angelenos.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst to report back in 15 days with information on how other municipalities and jurisdictions across the country are responding to these actions of the federal government, including requests for support with immigration enforcement. Municipalities should include but not be limited to others in the State of California, New York City, and Seattle.

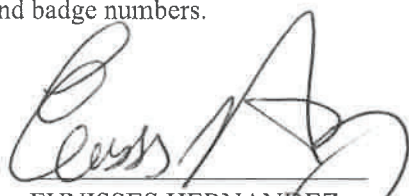
I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) report within 15 days on all calls for help and support from other law enforcement agencies that the Department responded to between Friday June 6, 2025 and Friday June 20, 2025. Details for each call should include but not be limited to the following:


- The entity that requested the call for help or support;
- The time the call for help or support was made;
- The time at which LAPD arrived on the scene;
- The LAPD incident Commander for each scene;
- The number and rank of officers deployed to the call;
- Activities engaged in by officers responding to the call;
- Number of less lethal weapons and justification for implements deployed by officers responding to the call (e.g. “less-lethal” munitions, tear gas).

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council REQUEST the Board of Police Commissioners to consider implementing policy limiting and narrowing LAPD’s response to calls for support from federal agencies performing immigration enforcement beyond what is required under the existing Sanctuary City Ordinance. Considerations should include:

- Compliance with calls for support from federal immigration operations only if, and only if, upon the receipt of a verified judicial warrant;
- Precluding LAPD officers from activities which directly or indirectly enable civil Federal immigration enforcement to access public or private property for the purposes of carrying out immigration enforcement;
- Verification of identity of agents on site once LAPD has arrived on the scene, including their names, agency they work for, and badge numbers.

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