

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Reed Smith

**Date Submitted:** 03/01/2021 11:54 PM

**Council File No:** 15-0989-S9

**Comments for Public Posting:** You must cancel the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics. The LA people deserve better than increased policing and surveillance that has been a staple of every olympic games in recent memory. Defund the police and do not further push the surveillance state that has already been taken too far in this city.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lionel M.

**Date Submitted:** 03/02/2021 12:50 AM

**Council File No:** 15-0989-S9

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council-members, I am writing to urge you to drop your bid for the Olympics. The Olympics, I fear, will increase pollution and smog within our smog infested city. The air quality is already awful and unhealthy. The money should be spent on programs and services that should be helping the working-poor residents of the San Fernando Valley and Los Angeles Metropolitan. The City of Los Angeles spends millions of tax-payer money on the city police and the police has not done a good job of protecting and serving the residents, myself included. I am disappointed. I believe that the city of Los Angeles City Council should take a different course of action by diverting money toward programs and services such as Workforce Development, Job Training, Education, Graffiti Removal, Counseling and Mental Health services, Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation, and other services such as addressing Poverty. We must abandon the Olympics and use the money toward radically transforming the city. We should use the money toward services and programs that residents of Los Angeles and San Fernando Valley can benefit directly. I feel like we need pro-social programs that encourages people to friend one another because many Americans are suffering from Loneliness through no fault of their own. We should invest in Community Development and create more open-space (parks and recreation) so that people of Los Angeles and San Fernando Valley can enjoy. We should not invest taxpayer money into more policing because we do not directly benefit from it. I hope you can heed my message. Thank you for your time and consideration. Respectively, Lionel M. MPA Graduate Student, studying Homelessness in the Public Sector.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Chelsea Baldemor  
**Date Submitted:** 03/02/2021 10:15 AM  
**Council File No:** 15-0989-S9  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose the proposed 30% increase in size of LAPD planned for the 2028 Olympic games.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lyndsey Nolan

**Date Submitted:** 03/02/2021 10:45 AM

**Council File No:** 15-0989-S9

**Comments for Public Posting:** I join BLMLA and other social justice organizations in opposing the proposed 30% increase in size of LAPD planned for the 2028 Olympic games. The Olympics should not be leveraged as an opportunity to further increase our already militarized and bloated police force. We do NOT need more surveillance, more harassment, more state sanctioned violence that will inevitably be deployed in low income communities and communities of color.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Samantha Smart  
**Date Submitted:** 03/02/2021 02:07 PM  
**Council File No:** 15-0989-S9  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I vehemently oppose the expansion of the LAPD for the Olympic Games. I urge my Councilmember, Mitch O'Farrell, and all other council member to oppose this expansion that will undoubtedly negatively affect communities of color.