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June 19, 2018

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Declare the Ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by adding Chapter 2.17 relating to the Department of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications, and acceptance of the requirements of Sections 13510(c), 13512, and 13522 of the California Penal Code relative to the recruitment and training standards of Public Safety Dispatchers, read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to the request of the City Council on May 8, 2018, the Ordinance related to acceptance of the requirements of Sections 13510(c), 13512, and 13522 of the California Penal Code relative to the recruitment and training standards of Public Safety Dispatchers has been prepared for your review. This ordinance will allow the City of Long Beach Department of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications (DPEC) to apply for recognition by, and receive funding for, continuous education and training from the State of California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) for DPEC's Public Safety Dispatchers.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney

By

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Monica J. Kilaifa', written over a horizontal line.

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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 2.17 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTIONS 13510(c), 13512, AND 13522 OF THE CALIFORNIA PENAL CODE RELATIVE TO THE RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING STANDARDS OF PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS

WHEREAS, City of Long Beach Public Safety Dispatchers are non-sworn employees who receive emergency calls for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical service and dispatch appropriate personnel; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers are required to follow standards established by the State of California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST); and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the City of Long Beach Department of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications (DPEC) was established to centralize and bring more focus to disaster preparedness functions in the City, and to better align the City with a growing demand for integrated public safety services and strengthen collaboration between all City departments, and County, State and Federal resources, with responsibility for disaster preparation, response, recovery, and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, DPEC must apply for recognition by POST and receive funding for continuous education and training as Public Safety Dispatchers now work within and under DPEC; and

1 WHEREAS, in order to receive such funding, the City of Long Beach must  
2 pass an ordinance indicating DPEC will adhere to POST standards for recruitment and  
3 training;

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5 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as  
6 follows:

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8 Section 1. Chapter 2.17 is hereby added to the Long Beach Municipal  
9 Code to read as follows:

10 Chapter 2.17

11 DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER PREPAREDENSS AND EMERGENCY  
12 COMMUNICATIONS

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14 2.17.010 Public Safety Dispatchers – recruitment and training standards.

15 A. The City of Long Beach desires to qualify to receive aid from  
16 the State of California under the provision of Section 13522 of the California  
17 Penal Code.

18 B. The City of Long Beach declares that it accepts the  
19 requirements of Section 13510(c) of the California Penal Code, and will  
20 adhere to the standards for recruitment and training established by the  
21 State of California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training  
22 (POST) for Public Safety Dispatchers.

23 C. The City of Long Beach will adhere to the requirements of  
24 Section 13512 of the California Penal Code, and the Commission and its  
25 representatives may make such inquiries as deemed appropriate by the  
26 Commission to ascertain that the City of Long Beach public safety  
27 dispatcher personnel adhere to standards for selection and training  
28 established by the Commission on POST.

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Section 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the Mayor.

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_

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Noes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_

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Absent: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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Mayor