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August 4, 2020

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding, and all necessary documents, including any subsequent amendments, with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, to implement and use the Electronic Charge Evaluation Request (eCER) portal, for the period of June 15, 2020 to June 30, 2025. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's (LADA) Office to implement and use the Electronic Charge Evaluation Request (eCER) portal.

eCER is a web application managed by LADA through which law enforcement agencies may submit crime reports and other supporting documentation. The use of this application will allow deputy district attorneys to have faster access to crime reports and other incident documentation for charge evaluation. Submissions of criminal cases for charge evaluation through eCER will allow the investigating LBPD employee to remain in the field during the initial review process, thereby eliminating time delays to meet with a deputy district attorney to establish a charge.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Sarah E. Green on July 9, 2020 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin-Gharib on July 14, 2020.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on August 4, 2020, to ensure the MOU is in place expeditously.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation and the use of eCER is at no cost to the City. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CHIEF OF POLICE

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER