



Legislation Details

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**Title:** Recommendation to request a series of public safety measures designed to proactively address this public safety concern:

1. Request City Attorney to draft an ordinance requiring the following:

All hotel and lodging employers, to include motels, shall provide an emergency contact device, often referred to as a panic button to each hotel employee assigned to work in a guest room or other space without other hotel employees present, regardless of job classification, at no cost to the hotel employee. A hotel employee may use the emergency contact device if the hotel employee reasonably believes there is an ongoing crime, threatening behavior, unwanted physical or verbal contact, or other emergency in the employee's presence. The hotel or lodging employee may cease work and leave the immediate area of danger to await the arrival of assistance. The hotel or lodging must allow guest room doors to be left open during cleaning.

The hotel or lodging must also allow any employee reporting abusive or concerning behavior to be reassigned to a different area, away from the individual who allegedly engaged in abusive or concerning behavior. Additionally, the hotel or lodging must allow adequate paid time off to contact the police, and the hotel or lodging must cooperate with any investigation into the incident conducted by law enforcement.

2. Direct Police Department to establish regular outreach to hotel and lodging workers making them aware of their rights, and the process to address incidents of assault.
3. Direct Police Department to create more prominent information on their website on sexual assault and to ensure that the Language Access Policy is followed in regards to the dissemination of this information.
4. Establish a policy of having a female police officer on duty to take calls reporting sexual assault.

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second substitute motion

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