## City of Long Beach



## **Legislation Text**

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Recommendation to request City Manager to report to City Council within three weeks regarding 9-1-1 Center staffing and service levels; and request Public Safety Committee to discuss "9-1-1 Center staffing and service levels" at its upcoming Thursday, November 19, 2009 meeting.

On September 1 st the Long Beach Police City Council and City Management received notice that Long Beach may not be responding to 9-1-1 calls in a timely manner. This decline in service is attributed to reductions in 9-1-1 personnel, and an increase in call volume. On October 29th a subsequent memo was received indicating that the City may not be responding to 9-1-1 service deficiencies in a timely manner.

Accordingly, it would appear to be appropriate for the City Council to be provided with the following information:

- 1. How have 9-1-1 Answer Times changed over the last 5 years?
- 2. How has staffing in the 9-1-1 Center changed over the last 5 years?
- 3. How do Long Beach 9-1-1 Answer Times compare to State 9-1-1 standards?
- 4. Identify how many positions are currently vacant in the 9-1-1 Center?
- 5. What steps are being taken to fill any vacant positions that are negatively impacting response to 9-1-1 callers?
- 6. What steps can be taken to expedite the hiring and training process?

Approve recommendation.

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