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Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department Computer-Aided Dispatch System

The Los Angeles County (County) Sheriff Department’s (LASD) computer-aided dispatch (CAD) system receives and transmits data from 911 emergency calls to Sheriff’s deputies in the field. This system was custom-built and installed in 1990 to serve LASD’s unique decentralized dispatch system. The hardware for this system is now 27 years old, and replacement parts are no longer made, which is extremely concerning given the mission critical nature of the system. The inability to find replacement parts or other system failures could result in critical delays for emergency services.

While there may be various actions underway to maintain, repair, and replace the CAD system, it is crucial that these parallel pursuits are coordinated to improve efficiencies, reduce redundancy and waste, and ensure a new system is in place promptly without any lapses in service.

Similarly, the Fire Department’s dispatch system is 25 years old and also requires replacement. While the needs of the Fire Department are distinct from those of LASD’s, this is an opportunity to explore and determine if new technologies and/or appropriate operational changes could allow for the integration of the two CAD systems, or other potential cost saving and efficiencies for the County.

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WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Direct the Chief Executive Officer to work with the Sheriff and report back to the Board in writing within 180 days with a plan and timeline to efficiently and expediently replace the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (LASD) computer-aided dispatch (CAD) system and minimize inefficient stopgap measures. The report should review the feasibility of a partial or complete LASD CAD system integration with the Fire Department's CAD system, and the implications of such integration.

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