

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM22.36	ACTION			Ward: All
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Addressing youth Violence through Advance Peace - by Councillor Michael Thompson, seconded by Councillor Cynthia Lai

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Economic and Community Development Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Michael Thompson, seconded by Councillor Cynthia Lai, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration to examine how the Advance Peace program can support existing efforts aimed at violence prevention and intervention and to report back to the July 28 and 29, 2020 meeting of City Council.

Summary

Youth violence in our City is a critical problem. The City is working on integrated wraparound models that combine credible community members with lived experience of involvement in violence with integrated City, health and community staff teams aimed at violence prevention, interruption and intervention.

This model leverages the lived experience of affected communities to develop and implement effective community engagement approaches, innovative communication tools, social media strategies and targeted investment geared at violence prevention, interruption and intervention.

Advance Peace is a similar approach that comes out of experiences in the United States. Advance Peace works with both public and community stakeholders to establish responsive community driven strategies that achieve high impact results.

Advance Peace is an opportunity to enhance the services and programs offered by our Community Crisis Response Program.

Background Information (City Council)

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