

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: APRIL 5, 2023

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: KINDON MEIK, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONSIDER A LETTER OPPOSING AN INVOLUNTARY DEPUTY

ROTATION PLAN AS PRESENTED BY THE SHERIFF CIVILIAN

OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

MEETING

DATE: APRIL 12, 2023

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a letter to Supervisor Lindsey Horvath opposing an involuntary rotational plan that would re-deploy sheriff deputies every five years or less to different stations within the department.

BACKGROUND:

In February 2023 the Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission issued its report and recommendations regarding alleged misconduct, egregious actions, and illegal behavior by defined deputy groups within the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. As one of its recommended actions, the Civilian Oversight Committee suggested a plan that would re-deploy "all patrol deputies (after completion of field training) no later than the end of their first year in patrol to another patrol station" and thereafter rotate "all patrol deputies in periodic rotations, no longer than every five years, or sooner, to another station" (p.54 of COC report).

Per the request of the Public Safety Task Force, staff has prepared the attached letter of opposition to mandatory periodic rotations of sheriff deputies within the department.

REQUESTED ACTION:

At this time, staff requests direction from the Council on the letter of opposition to an involuntary deputy rotation program. The City of Hidden Hills will be considering a similar letter at its upcoming meeting and the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments will be voting on a letter of opposition on April 18, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

A letter of opposition does not have any fiscal impact to the City. However, the City has not analyzed the potential costs and liabilities that a mandatory deputy rotation program might have on the City.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Letter of opposition

Attachment B: Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission Report