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MOTION

Over the past months the City has seen a significant increase in violence and religious-based hate crimes at schools, religious institutions, and culturally significant locations that has at times spilled into our neighborhoods and communities. This rise in violence has stoked fear in religious communities across the City. While the Governor has announced that grant funding under the California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program will be available starting in the Fall to support security services and programs for non-profits, including religious institutions, there is an immediate need to provide funding to religious institutions and other non-profit organizations for security services now with the goal of having those funds reimbursed in the future from State or Federal grants.

The Civil, Human Rights and Equity Department has administered grant programs to support non-profit religious institutions across the City in the past and has the ability to quickly stand up a new grant program to provide community safety grants. Given the urgent need to address recent issues, funds should be provided to the Department to implement a grant program to support community safety training, safety services including but not limited to target hardening and other physical safety upgrades at religious institutions and non-profit organizations, community monitoring, patrols, and response services, and related support services. The guidelines for this program should mirror those of the State program for consistency and to maximize the potential for reimbursement from the State. Additionally, once the State program begins distributing funding, the City's program should be terminated as soon as possible thereafter.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the City Administrative Officer to transfer \$2,000,000 from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100-58, Reserve for Mid-Year Adjustments line item to the Civil, Human Rights and Equity Department, Fund No. 100-15, Account No. 003040 for a grants program to support non-profit community security services, including support for non-profit religious institutions of all denominations to implement community safety enhancements as described above.

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I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be authorized to make any necessary corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

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