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AGENDA REPORT**

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To: Office of the City Administrator

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From: Police Department

Date: March 22, 2011

**Re: An Informational Report Concerning the Feasibility of Relocating  
The Oakland Police Department Operations To Either 150 Frank  
Ogawa Plaza and/or 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza**

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## SUMMARY

This report is written in response to a request from the Rules Committee to provide information on the feasibility of moving the Oakland Police Department Operations to either 150 Frank Ogawa Plaza or 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza (FOP).

## FISCAL IMPACT

The Fiscal impact is unknown at this point as the City has not conducted any financial studies to determine the actual cost to move forward with this project.

## BACKGROUND

In August 2010, the Public Works Agency (PWA) was directed by the City Administrator to conduct a space needs assessment of 150 and 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza. The purpose of the assessment was to determine if there was sufficient, leasable space for the City to generate additional revenues. Upon conclusion of their assessment, Public Works staff identified 76 spaces at 150 Frank Ogawa Plaza, and 61 spaces at 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza for a total of 137 vacant offices/cubicles. Since supply outpaces demand for downtown office space, no further action was taken concerning the vacant space.

## KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

### *Relocating Police Operations*

The Police Administration Building (PAB) was built between 1958 and 1963 and houses approximately 800 personnel. The PAB is approximately 179,786 square feet, and has an additional 42, 828 square feet adjacent to the building to park both marked and unmarked police vehicles. The building was retrofitted in 2005 following the Loma Prieta earthquake in 1989. As a result of this project, the male and female locker rooms and an exercise facility were remodeled and now include approximately 852 lockers for staff.

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In order to relocate police operations from the PAB to either 150 or 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza, the City would have to provide sufficient space to house the 800+ employees, install new lockers for all sworn and certain non-sworn personnel, as well as find parking for 167 police vehicles. In addition, the City would have to find additional spaces for the Crime Lab which is currently housed on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of the PAB. Below are additional concerns associated with relocating police operations:

- The Youth and Family Services Division Juvenile Intake Desk is housed on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the PAB, and used to hold juveniles who are arrested or detained for various criminal behavior and truancy.
- The Criminal Investigation Division is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the PAB and used to hold or detain arrestees of violent crime, and is equipped with recordable interview rooms as well as double sided line-up rooms for conducting physical line ups of suspects who are in custody.
- The Property Section is located in the basement of the PAB and serves as a critical repository of all evidence collected during criminal investigations, and must be considered in moving police operations, as all evidence must be kept in proximity to investigators and attorneys. Additionally, large storage refrigerators and freezers are a requirement for DNA storage.

Additionally, in the event police operations were relocated to 150 or 250 FOP, staff currently occupying those spaces would require relocating as well.

Based on the space needed to house police personnel, equipment, evidence, and suspects, in conjunction with the need to find additional space to relocate existing FOP tenants, it does not appear feasible to move police operations to either 150 or 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza at this time.

## **SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Economic:** Relocating police operations from the Police Administration Building to 150 or 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza would likely result in excessive costs to the City based on the equipment and other needs required by police personnel.

**Environmental:** There are no environmental opportunities identified in report.

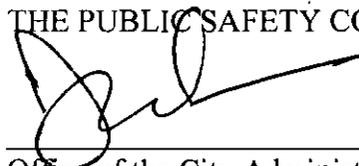
**Social Equity:** By continuing to run police operations out of the Police Administration Building, police personnel can continue to provide the best possible service to the City of Oakland and its residents, thereby creating a safer environment.

Disability and Senior Access: There are no ADA or senior citizen access issues identified in this report

**RECOMMENDATION**

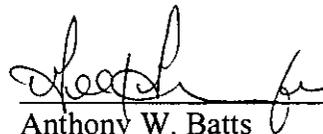
Staff recommends acceptance of this report.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO  
THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:



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