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Members of the Life Enrichment To:

Cc: LaTonda Simmons, City Clerk

Committee

Barbara Parker, City Attorney

From: Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney and Council President Larry Reid

Authorizing Contract Process for DVP Strategic Plan

## Dear Members of the Life Enrichment Committee:

The City Council created the Department of Violence Prevention in June of 2017 to improve the City's organizational structure that in turn would improve our violence reduction efforts with urgency. Pursuant to the legislative intent, this resolution moves forward the establishment of the DVP by engaging a firm to conduct a strategic plan for the department while the City Administrator works to hire a full-time Chief of Violence Prevention.

This resolution uses the same process to hire an outside, independent expert as when the Council hired a Fiscal and Budgetary Analyst in preparation for the FY2017-19 budget negotiations. We ask for your support on this resolution to authorize the Council President to find and negotiate a contract with a qualified organization or individual for a strategic planning process for how best to establish the DVP. This contract will come back before Council for approval.

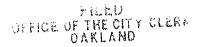
This will ensure that when the City is finally able to hire the permanent Chief of Violence Prevention that this person can begin her or his job ready to take action.

Signed,

Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney

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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION		C.M.S.
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INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LARRY REID AND COUNCILMEMBER LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT OR HIS DESIGNEE TO PERFORM A COMPETITIVE PROCESS, NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT, AND RETURN TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL FOR A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH A LOCALLY BASED AND NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000 FOR THE PURPOSES OF PERFORMING THE STRATEGIC PLANNING, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 13451 C.M.S. created The Department of Violence Prevention (DVP) with the mission to work directly with victims of violent crime - and those who are most likely to be future victims or perpetrators of violent crime - to dramatically reduce violent crime and to serve communities impacted by violence to end the cycle of trauma; and

**WHEREAS**, the ordinance and legislative intent established that a founding Chief of Violence Prevention would be hired and report back to City Council on progress within six months of hiring so that the Council could debater recommendations for additional funding for the DVP in the mid-cycle budget for FY 2018-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Administrator appointed an interim Director of the DVP in order to write the job description of the Chief of Violence Prevention and this process is ongoing; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires that the DVP conduct its strategic planning process while the City conducts the recruitment process for a permanent Chief of Violence Prevention so that the City can begin realigning its systems with urgency to better address violent crime; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fiscal Year 2017-2019 budget allocated \$261,985 of General Purpose Funds in FY 2017-2018 for the hiring of Department leadership which the City Council

wishes to expedite by authorizing a contract for a consultant to begin the work of setting up the department; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the City Council authorizes the Council President or his designee to perform a competitive process to select a locally based and nationally recognized non-profit organization or consultant qualified to perform the strategic planning necessary to establish the Department of Violence Prevention and for that organization or consultant to report directly to the Council President or his designee; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Council President, or designee, is authorized to conduct all required negotiations and related actions necessary to create a professional services agreement in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the strategic planning effort and that this contract must return to Council for final approval.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN, AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California