



# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ROBERT G. LUNA, SHERIFF



April 21, 2026

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REPORT BACK ON MOTION ON SAFEGUARDING AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READERS DATA TO RESTORE COMMUNITY TRUST AND PREVENT IMPROPER CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT**

On September 16, 2025, the Board adopted a motion (the "Motion") entitled "Safeguarding Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR) Data to Restore Community Trust and Prevent Improper Civil Immigration Enforcement."

The Motion requests the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), in consultation with County Counsel, to:

1. Within 90 days, amend LASD's ALPR Privacy Policy to ensure that:
  - a. ALPR data shall not be disclosed, transferred, or otherwise made available for civil immigration-enforcement purposes, except when disclosure is expressly required by State or County law or pursuant to a judicial warrant.
  - b. Any permissible disclosure is subject to documented review and written authorization by a designated Custodian of Records.
  - c. Access controls, authentication requirements, purpose limitations, and retention periods fully comply with SB 34, SB 54, and SB 274, if it is signed into law.
2. Ensure the Advance Surveillance and Protection Unit (ASAP), which as the LASD ALPR System and Data Custodian of Records, maintains a record of each data request's basis and outcome.

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3. Request LASD to provide the Office of Inspector General (OIG), the Civilian Oversight Commission (COC), and the Board with a semi-annual written report summarizing ALPR data or system access logs (redacted for the COC as legally necessary) that identifies the requesting entity, data range, and statutory authority relied upon to disclose information.
4. Request that each LASD employee or contractor with ALPR credentials complete training that covers:
  - a. SB 54 restrictions on immigration cooperation
  - b. SB 34 privacy requirements,
  - c. SB 274, if it is signed into law, restrictions on accessing data for vehicles or person(s) when either are reasonably suspected of being involved in the commission of a public offense and deleting ALPR information that has been held for more than 60 days and does not match information on an authorized hot list (lists of license plates of vehicles of interest),
  - d. LASD's updated ALPR policy, and
  - e. Require that refresher training shall occur annually, and completion records shall be transmitted to the OIG and COC.
5. Review all current memoranda of understanding or other data-sharing agreements and terminate or renegotiate any provision that permits ALPR disclosures for civil immigration enforcement beyond what State or County law allows.
6. Request LASD implement the ALPR related recommendation provided by the Office of Inspector General's April through June 2025 Reform and Oversight Efforts: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department report.
7. Request LASD to report back in writing within 120 days on updated ALPR Privacy Policy, implementation status of the above directives, resource needs, and any recommended legislative advocacy to bolster statewide ALPR safeguards.

On December 11, 2025, LASD reported its significant progress in revising the ALPR Privacy Policy, including collaboration with County Counsel and the Office of Inspector General to develop draft policy language. On January 8, 2026, the Civilian Oversight Commission provided its comments and input following its review of the draft policy. That input has been reviewed and considered for inclusion, where appropriate in the final Privacy Policy.

As of the date of this letter, LASD has (1) engaged with the labor unions and begun the meet and confer process by transmitting the draft policy to the labor unions to ensure the bargaining units have an opportunity to review the proposed training provisions; (2)

presented the ALPR draft policy to the OIG and COC, and incorporated their respective feedback into the policy revision; (3) provided a comprehensive briefing on the ALPR policy revision to the COC at their meeting on March 19, 2026, along with the OIG, and received a positive response; and (4) engaged in the creation of a training dashboard to track and archive the ALPR training modules that are in the process of being developed, which will be required training departmentwide.

The Department anticipates concluding the meet and confer process before the end of May 2026 at which time the final policy revision will be published and enacted.

The Department will continue to provide the Board additional status updates every 90 days as stated within the January 14, 2026, letter, until the new policy is enacted.

The Department looks forward to continuously working with our county partners to ensure implementation of best practices and to provide information about the Department's efforts that promote accountability by our members and build trust with the communities we serve.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. Luna". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and a long, sweeping underline.

ROBERT G. LUNA  
SHERIFF