

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

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Last week, our community was shaken by the tragic, incomprehensible stabbing of Christine Calderon who did nothing more than pause to snap a photograph of several panhandlers in the heart of Hollywood. In an effort to make sense of this terrible tragedy, I directed my staff to obtain further information.

We have now determined that the alleged perpetrator, Dustin James Kinnear, was recently released from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation under the State's AB 109 Program and on that basis remained under the supervision of County Departments.

It is critical that the County Departments that had any encounters with Mr. Kinnear immediately analyze the chronology of events that transpired between the time of his release from the California prison system and the moment he encountered Ms. Calderon on Hollywood Boulevard. This timeline may contribute to our understanding of this specific situation and inform interventions to ensure that probationers are engaged in appropriate rehabilitative services, high risk incidences are deterred, and public safety is preserved.

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Additionally, it is imperative that more than a timeline is constructed. The Los Angeles County Departments of Probation, Mental Health, Public Health and the Sheriff's Department that have the most involvement with and responsibility for individuals released under the AB 109 program must determine whether current laws or procedures are adequate to protect against any of the possible gaps in the AB 109 process to ensure that individuals released from State prisons are actively engaged in rehabilitative services and deterred from engaging in criminal activity.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Request the Los Angeles County Sheriff and direct the Directors of the Departments of Probation, Mental Health and Public Health to provide a full report to the Board of Supervisors on the chronology of relevant events commencing with the release of Mr. Kinnear from State Prison on April 6, 2013 to the day of the murder on June 18, 2013. This report should include information relating to whether the protocols for release by the State were followed; whether he was re-arrested for parole violations after his initial release including how many times and when he was re-arrested; whether Mr. Kinnear was evaluated for any mental illness and substance abuse disorder, and whether appropriate treatment was provided to him in a timely manner; whether current laws or procedures are adequate to protect against any of the possible gaps in the AB 109 process that may have led to or contributed to this tragic incident, and to the extent they are not, propose changes that would address those shortcomings. This report should also include any known relevant history prior to and leading to his State Prison incarceration.
2. I FURTHER MOVE that the above-named departments be requested to report back to the Board with their findings within 30 days.