



Los Angeles City Councilmember  
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## **ENGLANDER ASKS FOR INTEGRATION OF ATSAC AND LAPD SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS**

LOS ANGELES—“With the rapid capture of the Boston bombing suspects by the FBI using digital imagery and closed circuit video surveillance, the need for an integrated and effective surveillance system accessible to Los Angeles City law enforcement has never been greater,” said Councilmember Mitchell Englander, Chair of the Public Safety Commission. “It is vital that the LAPD have instant split-feed access to the 460 traffic cameras already being used by the Department of Transportation’s Automated Traffic Surveillance and Control System and be able to review this data to catch suspected criminals and protect our community.”

Today Councilmember Mitchell Englander introduced a motion instructing the Police Department, the Department of Transportation, the Chief Legislative Analyst, and the City Administrative Officer, to report back to the Public Safety Committee on the current level of integration and compatibility between ATSAC and the LAPD’s surveillance monitoring system. Additionally, the motion requests the departments examine how the integration of these two systems can potentially be enhanced, and the feasibility of adding new software capabilities such as license plate recognition software.

Advances in technology are continuing to provide new tools to the Los Angeles Police Department to fight crime and keep communities safe. LAPD’s ability to capture and review video footage ranges from surveillance cameras maintained by LAPD that target high-crime areas to automatic license-plate-recognition systems (ALPRs), small cameras mounted on patrol cars that scan license plates for stolen vehicles and help monitor the movements of wanted felons and sexual predators.

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