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## Amendment G to CB 120916 Crowd Management Ordinance

**Sponsor:** Councilmember Moore

Council approval required for changes to certain SPD crowd management policies

**Effect:** This amendment would (1) better enable Council review of SPD proposed policy changes regarding the use of less lethal weapons to move or disperse a crowd and any policy which would lower the threshold for issuing orders to disperse a crowd. It would further establish a Council disapproval procedure of such proposed policy changes. The amendment is principally modeled after the federal Congressional Review Act which applies generally to major rulemakings issued by federal agencies.

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## 1. Amend the first sentence of Section 7 to CB 120916 as follows:

Section 7. Prior to ((authorizing)) altering its policy to authorize the use of any less lethal weapon type for crowd management purposes that is not currently authorized in SPD policy as of the effective date of this ordinance or lowering the threshold for issuing an order to disperse or using reasonable, necessary, and proportional force to move or disperse a crowd, the Police Department shall notify the Council ((Public Safety Committee, or its successor Committee)), provide a copy of the proposed policy, and report on:

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## 2. Amend Section 7 to include at the end of Section 7 the following:

A. A proposed Police Department policy change covered by this section shall not take effect if the City Council enacts a resolution of disapproval.

B. For the purposes of this section, the term "resolution of disapproval" means a resolution, introduced in the period beginning on the date on which a policy and report under this section are received by the City Council and ending 120 days thereafter, indicating that the

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 $\underline{\text{City Council disapproves the policy submitted by the Police Department and such policy shall}}$ 

have no force or effect.

C. If the City Council does not enact a resolution of disapproval, a Police Department policy submitted under this section shall take effect 120 days after the date on which the City Council receives the policy and report required by this section.