

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN

AGN. NO.
8/12/2025

Reestablish the Reward Offer in the Investigation of Murder Victims Jose Palacios- Gonzalez and Daughter Samantha Palacios

On March 1, 2022, at approximately 10:00 p.m., Long Beach Police Department (LBPD) officers were dispatched to the area of Artesia Boulevard and Rose Avenue regarding a collision of a vehicle into a building, which resulted in the death of a male adult and a female juvenile.

When officers arrived on scene, they discovered a 2014 Dodge Ram pickup truck collided with an apartment building in the 6600 block of Rose Avenue, which injured multiple residents inside the apartment building. Officers and good Samaritans rendered aid to the victims until the Long Beach Fire Department arrived on scene. A male adult victim was determined deceased at the scene and the female juvenile victim was transported to a local hospital where she succumbed to her injuries. The victims were identified as 42-year-old Jose Palacios-Gonzalez and his 3-year-old daughter Samantha Palacios.

The driver fled the scene and was identified as 24-year-old Octavio Montano Islas. On March 7, 2022, LBPD detectives presented a case against Islas to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. An arrest warrant was issued for Islas on two counts of felony manslaughter, one count of felony driving under the influence, and one count of

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felony hit and run. The reward expired on August 3, 2025, and the LBPD continues to give this case the highest priority and is consistently looking for leads on the whereabouts of Octavio Islas, and requests reestablishing the reward.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors reestablish and increase the reward offer to \$20,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the heinous deaths of 42-year-old Jose Palacios-Gonzalez and his 3-year-old daughter, Samantha Palacios, who both succumbed to their injuries resulting from a collision of a vehicle into a building in the area of Artesia Boulevard and Rose Avenue in Long Beach.

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