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**Subject:** Controlling the LAWA perimeter & CCTV

Hello Chief Gannon,

It was good seeing you at Councilmember Buscaino's Swearing in and a belated congratulations on your appointment as Chief of LAWA Airport Police.

As I had indicated in our conversation, there has been frustration from community members, including myself after years of attempting to engage LAWA Police in working with those on their north side perimeter in Westchester.

While I have been told by members of LAWA PD, this area is not their "responsibility", the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) suggest the extent of the perimeter to be controlled is whatever it must be to deter the criminal and nuisance behavior that might occur within your designated property lines.

Westchester has some of the best trained and organized Neighborhood Watch groups in the city. Community members that are trained based on CPTED principals to take "ownership" for the very perimeter that you need to rely on as a last line of defense before they hit the property line you are responsible for.

Whether it is being situationally aware of the roof top parking at Ralph's on Sepulveda, landscapers selling fertilizer to anyone in the neighborhood who will buy it or one of the unattended rental trucks, for whatever reason that regularly park on Airport Blvd north of La Tijera are some of the indicators and behaviors taught. FYI, regarding the fertilizer, one of your personnel told me that it is not a problem since it is not commercial grade. Just give me a rolling pin and diesel fuel and I'm good to go with that commercial grade.

Even the manner with which the cameras on the LAX outer perimeter were installed prior to your arrival clearly have no CPTED premise in mind.

I am now averaging a Part I crime video for LAPD every six weeks and have provided video from a homicide for the twenty seventh time as of last week from my own cameras. All at no cost or tasking to the department. The manner and principles which I use are very purposeful and can be replicated whether in West LA (including LAX) or South LA.

As you may recall, I am assigned to Criminal Gang Homicide Division canvassing for then pulling and analyzing videos. Additionally, I also volunteer time with West Bureau Homicide, Pacific, 77th and others.

While pulling video (upwards of one hundred hours per DP and more) I have analyzed and kept track of what does and does not work with cameras. Over seventy five percent of both public and private sector cameras do not operate properly if at all.

Even if I have a million dollar camera that is recording, if we are not able to obtain Usable Incident Data, the value of that camera is zero.

Here is an example of one of many articles out now where even London is acknowledging their cameras are not reducing crime: <http://www.csmonitor.com/World/Europe/2012/0222/Report-London-no-safer-for-all-its-CCTV-cameras>

Applying principles of CPTED, I can explain and replicate in West LA and South LA why I am able to obtain so much Usable Incident Data.

With the same principles I can also explain why certain gangs (works with most criminal and nuisance behavior) around my properties have "disappeared" without arresting or evicting everybody (and didn't need an injunction).

While a lot of this may sound like it maybe more from your previous assignment at LAPD, I would be very happy to come in and spend some time and show you how this would assist you at LAWA.

Additionally, it would be a great project to set this up as a model for other airports and transportation hubs around the country. Funding for such a project could easily be recognized as appropriate from UASI, BJA, DOJ COPS, CalEMA and many other sources.

Feel free to have someone contact me to set up a time to meet or call anytime.

Regards,  
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