

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE



May 18, 2010

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to declare Ordinance amending Section 16.08.460 of the Long Beach Municipal Code, related to fishing restrictions on the banks of the Los Angeles River, read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading. (District 2)

DISCUSSION

The City of Long Beach provides and maintains five fishing piers along the channel between the downtown shore area and the Port of Long Beach property for the purpose of free public recreational fishing (attachment). The piers are provided to afford a fishing area so that the perimeter rocks on the riverbanks will not be used for this purpose. Fishing from the perimeter rocks is hazardous, and trash and bait that is left behind attracts rodents. Additionally, the City has been receiving complaints from the hotel operators on the west shore of the river concerning the trash and debris that has been left on site. The City's Municipal Code does not currently prohibit fishing from the perimeter rocks, and this action will rectify that oversight.

The proposed Municipal Code change is to add the following to Section 16.08.460:

K. Banks of the Los Angeles River, with the exception of the fishing piers.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on February 25, 2010, and Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on March 9, 2010.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on May 18, 2010, in order to incorporate this addition to the Long Beach Municipal Code.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this request. There is no known impact to local jobs associated with this request.

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE

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ACTING DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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Attachment: Ordinance

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APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER



ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING SUBSECTION 16.08.460.K RELATING TO FISHING RESTRICTIONS

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Subsection 16.08.460.K is added to the Long Beach Municipal Code to read as follows:

K. Banks of the Los Angeles River, with the exception of the fishing piers.

Section 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first (31st) day after it is approved by the Mayor.

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OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 11th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City			
Coun	neeting of, 20, by the		
following vote:			
	Ayes:	Councilmembers:	
	Noes:	Councilmembers:	
	Absent:	Councilmembers:	
			City Clerk
Approved: (Date)			Mayor
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