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Subject: 10-11-22 Council Mtg: Item No. 16, No. 21, and No. 23

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Dear Mayor, Councilmembers, Eric Lopez, and Johnny Vallejo,

I'm writing in regards to 10-11 Council Meeting Agenda Item No. 16, No. 21, and No. 23.

Agenda Item No. 16: Approval of the new RHTM project that will bring 84 new townhomes to the corner of South and Atlantic.

- **Support, with the strong recommendation that the City prioritize actions so that first-time homebuyers and Long Beach long-time renters, can be occupants of these new homes.** It is a shame that **61% of our residents are renters** and there are very few paths to homeownership for Black and Latinx renters according to the [recently adopted Housing Element](#). The City of Long Beach has received \$ funding for a first-time homebuyer program (noted in the Housing element and [summary of Recovery Act here](#)), but the buyer program has not been initiated. LB residents face higher and higher housing costs each day with very few solutions to afford homes like these ones being proposed.

Agenda Item No. 21: Approval to begin negotiations on an expansion of the Atlantic Bridge Community.

- **Support**, the Atlantic Bridge Community has been a success and I'm proud to have such a center in my community that will be expanded to provide supportive services to the homeless population.

Agenda Item No. 23: Approval of the Artesia Great Boulevard Project.

- **Support**, this project, along with the other repaving of roads and streets to be done as a part of the Measure A Five-year infrastructure plan, bring much needed improvements

to North Long Beach. The improvements increase walkability and bikeability of our street corridors.

Thank you!

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