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Ms. Tanaka also sent her email to the Mayor, the City Council Offices and the City Manager.

Thank you.

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Dear Mayor Bob, Councilmembers, Pat West, Merianne Nakagawa,
I am not able tonight's Council Meeting due to a prior obligation and am unable to
Ecomment via the City's Automated System hence I am emailing my public
comments. My name is Emily Kiwa Tanaka, I am a native Long Beach resident
and currently live in West Long Beach at 2420 Caspian Avenue, Long Beach
California 90810. I am an active community member who sits on the Willmore
City Heritage Association Board and am active member of the Long Beach
Heritage Advocacy Committee. There are two items that are going to vote tonight
and I support them for the following reasons:

Regarding item # 13 13-0476

<http://longbeach.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=1433424&GUID=51FE716B-FF69-45F7-A297-0C140EB282CE>

I encourage you to vote Yes to MTA Blue Line Improvement Legislation

I support Vice Mayor Robert Garcia's legislation that request the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) improve safety, security and the quality of the rider experience on the Blue Line as it traverses Long Beach. As someone who often takes the Blue Line to and from Los Angeles we need some sort of accountability when riding the trains and automatic turnstiles is a start. The Blue Line was started running OVER 20 years ago and as residents we demand some love + care be given to these

main transportation hubs into our City.

Regarding item #14 13-0477

<http://longbeach.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=1433425&GUID=6A08CD14-769F-4CF6-B53F-A396A200BECB>

I encourage you to vote Yes to Adaptively-Reuse the Shoemaker Bridge

As someone who lives on the Westside of the 710 freeway and often works in Downtown LB I ride my bicycle over the Shoemaker Bridge because it's one of the only protected ped/bike paths to cross the LA River. I challenge any of you to walk along any of the Bridges (Ocean, Anaheim, PCH, and Willow) during rush hour. I'm always shocked to see so many Cabrillo High School students walking these bridges to get to and from school everyday and managing to avoid the big rigs. The sidewalks are narrow and often crumbling. Also the railing seem uncomfortably low. This Adaptive-Reuse proposal is GREAT! We need it on this side of town and will definitely be used if implemented because it is a safe and healthy route to school / work for ALL.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Emily Kiwa Tanaka