

June 2, 2020

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive and file a report on information requested by the City Council regarding assistance programs for property owners impacted by the COVID-19 emergency. (Citywide)

**DISCUSSION**

On May 19, 2020, the City Council gave direction to the City Attorney to draft and submit an Ordinance amending the temporary prohibition on evictions of residential and commercial tenants due to non-payment of rent resulting from adverse impacts associated with COVID-19. As part of the discussion, City Council directed the City Manager to report back with a summary of available assistance programs for both residential and commercial property owners impacted by the Ordinance, including: (a) relief programs for property owners to offset the loss of rental income, (b) resources to prevent foreclosure, (c) property tax relief programs, (d) access to affordable loan funds, and (e) legislative strategies to encourage State legislation providing such relief programs.

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the City Council with an update on assistance programs for property owners impacted by the COVID-19 emergency, per the City Council's request on May 19, 2020.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard F. Anthony and Finance Director John Gross on May 29, 2020.

**TIMING CONSIDERATIONS**

City Council action is requested on June 2, 2020.

**STATEMENT OF URGENCY**

On May 19, 2020, the City Council requested an update on assistance programs available to property owners at the June 2, 2020 City Council meeting.

EQUITY LENS

The City has incorporated the Equity Toolkit into this recommendation as requested by the City Council on April 21, 2020. This recommendation will provide information regarding assistance programs for property owners impacted by the COVID-19 emergency.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation is to receive and file a report on assistance programs for property owners impacted by the COVID-19 emergency. This recommendation has some moderate staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties related to the research and preparation of the report and may require additional staffing or contractor support to implement programs directed by the City Council. This activity is consistent with existing City Council priorities related to the COVID-19 Economic Relief Package approved by the City Council April 14, 2020. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



DIRECTOR OF  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

APPROVED:



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THOMAS B. MODICA  
CITY MANAGER



**City of Long Beach Memorandum**  
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## REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

**Date:** May 29, 2020  
**To:** Monique De La Garza, City Clerk  
**From:** Thomas B. Modica, City Manager *T.B.M.*  
**Subject:** Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of June 2, 2020

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Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

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Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
3	Price	Digital (attached email)
9	Richardson	Digital (attached email)
1	Zendejas	Digital (attached email)

Attachment: Staff Report dated June 2, 2020

cc: Office of the Mayor