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CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						When shall the council chambers be opened to the public? By what basis are much more virus-transmissible indoor spaces, like gyms or nightclubs, open in this city but the decision-makers behind the decision to do so remain completely invisible and inaccessible to the public?	6/23/2020
CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com						Every other City Council has video mtgs with public comment. We need video mtgs in Long Beach	6/21/2020
3. (20-0577) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any related documents or amendments, with Harvard Kennedy School Government Performance Lab, on behalf of What Works Cities, for a term of 12 months, at no cost to the City. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						<p>I want to see the City of Long Beach stipulate that the scope of work from this Bloomberg Philanthropy funded Kennedy School of Government student intern will not include a focus on Equity, but active support for the Office of Equity, as well as related departments whose work likes at the intersection of data privacy, public safety, and econ. development</p> <p>That said, NOTHING IS FREE WITH A BILLIONAIRE.</p> <p>So, what do we have to give up? What data are we signing over to Bloomberg about the city's current procurement practices, hedging strategies, risk exposure, etc.? How are we insulating sensitive city or citizen's private data from the "technical help from What Works Cities [for whom, for what, for why...?]" process connected to Bloomberg's servers?</p> <p>There are plenty of skilled people, right here in Long Beach, who would not cost as much as a Kennedy School of Government Fellow, and who the city has an interest in pursuing Bloomberg Philanthropy monies to fund - start doing so.</p>	6/23/2020

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6. (20-0580) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments, including amending the terms, or changing the amount of the award, with Star Behavioral Health Group, to accept and expend grant funding in the amount of \$595,000, for the Safe Children and Strong Families Program, for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, with the option to extend the agreement for three additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com						I'm writing to enter into the public record the poor reviews- and accusations of corruption- for Star Behavioral Health Group on multiple leading public employee review websites. On Glassdoor.com, SBHG scores 3.3 out of 5 stars and only 46% of employees would recommend the company's CEO, Kent Dunlap. Employee quotes include "I have never worked in a company where there is so much corruption," "Horrible executives and upper management," "I have never been in an environment where people are leaving every single week and all the people are miserable all the time," and "clinicians were infantilized." On another side, Indeed.com, the company scores 3.1 out of 5 stars. Reviewers note: "the organization has poor management team," "DANGEROUS environment!," "FAVORITISM," and "NEPOTISM." Long Beach should not grant contracts to companie that demean labor and consistently face accusations of mismanagement. We deserve better stewardship of our public expenses than to prop up bad companies.	6/21/2020
10. (20-0584) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, including any necessary amendments, with Califa Group, of San Francisco, CA, a California nonprofit corporation, for purchasing, furnishing, and delivering high-speed data communications services for the Library Services Department, in an annual amount not to exceed \$200,000, for a period of three years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, at the	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						Along with item #3 of this consent calendar, this is another instance where the Staff Report attached to the Agenda needs to include some analysis for decision-makers of the data privacy and security considerations - both for city operations and for its daily citizens online usage. This city needs a Chief Public Data Officer or equivalent, housed in either the City Attorney or City Auditor's office, conversant with the technical, ethical, and institutional issues with data in the State of California, including the California Consumer Privacy Act, Proposition 65, and other LORS (laws, ordinances, regulations, and statutes). Given the sensitivity of data privacy concerns in the ongoing Reconciliation process, I urge each council person to have their staff do the research, get in touch if they have questions, and get ahead of these important issues. Thank you.	6/23/2020
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						Black Lives Matter.	6/23/2020

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PUBLIC COMMENT:	Alejandro Gonzalez	a.velezlopez88@gmail.com						Can we get an update on the proposed LB Cares Rental Assistance Program? Is the city still on track to 1.) Submitting the Plan Amendments to HUD and 2.) having the application go live On 7/13/2020?	6/23/2020
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Ryan Blazer	ryanblazer@gmail.com						A group called Long Beach Community Compost (not a registered business or organization) has decided to not seek public comment or gone through the proper channels to put composting on the vacant lot (North) to the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library. They never approached any of the community members and have proceeded to dump trash (in the name of compost). There are 30+ mounds of debris not in proper containers as outlined by the City of Long Beach. They state that they received permission to have this from LAB Holdings, LLC. There is vermin running around and a foul odor in the air near the library. This is a public nuisance and needs to be stopped immediately.	6/23/2020
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Cathlene Caccavalla	catattude@hotmail.com						I'm a disabled senior who has donated nearly \$300 since Dec to the Long Beach animal shelter with no acknowledgement they ever got it. Is there a way to let us know for sure that they got the money? I especially want to be sure the money went to them and not that other shelter that I've heard is on the same property and has been causing our shelter problems. Thank you.	6/22/2020
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Katrinka Foster	katrinkafoster@yahoo.com						I am a senior living in Long Beach and like me my health has become an issue with the fireworks issue. You can and should do better in this situation when police officers see and heard this and do nothing is unexceptionable several residents have reported this happening. Animals can't go out and relieve themselves children can't play because this starts as early as 2pm in the afternoon. Do better officials that we vote for to run this city.	6/22/2020

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PUBLIC COMMENT:	Dante Macatantan	dante.macatantan@gmail.com						Thank you including the issue of Fireworks and Explosions into the meeting. I am part of a group that is trying to create change on this issue that has been allowed to flourish in our city. We are volunteering our time, money, and safety to report those using and selling explosives, as well as unifying and educating our community. Many people have left or want to leave because of this issue. We want to protect Long Beach and enhance its safety and well-being, but we desperately need your assistance with law enforcement, ordinances, and public involvement	6/21/2020
14. (20-0590) Recommendation to receive and approve Commission reappointments to Non-Charter Commissions.	Diana Jones	hrhdiana2000@yahoo.com						All non-chartered commissions should be abolished. They are way too political and serve very little purpose other than to rubber stamp mayor and Council actions. They are a waste of our taxpayer money.	6/23/2020
15. (20-0591) Recommendation to receive and file an updated membership list for the Budget Oversight Committee.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						<p>Congratulations to Councilperson Uranga. He will bring a great deal of local knowledge and wisdom along with his astute mind.</p> <p>The previous leadership of this committee has been chastised, at least twice that I can personally bear witness to having attended city council meetings, that the BOC is not that "tail that wags the dog" of the Council.</p> <p>Once was during a particularly egregious display of compassionless short-term dismal thinking when pitting Seniors against Youth for what was likely a fraction of the staff time wasted in the exercise.</p> <p>We need full-cost accounting in this city. If we are serious about Reconciliation - we need to recognize that begins with Truth, and nowhere is the Truth of how our institutions function better disaggregated than in our city department's financials.</p> <p>I expect this committee to show renewed vigor during this critical budget season to working for all the residents of Long Beach.</p>	6/23/2020

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15. (20-0591) Recommendation to receive and file an updated membership list for the Budget Oversight Committee.	Jeremy Denning	jdennin@hotmail.com						The current fireworks situation is far out of hand. Nightly explosions started in early May and now it goes day and night in my neighborhood. Years of police non-enforcement and escalating firework lawlessness coupled with recent global events have created the perfect storm in Long Beach. Act now and be bold before something terrible happens, please. Education has failed miserably. We need stiffer penalties and most importantly we need aggressive enforcement to reclaim our neighborhoods from those terrorizing us with illegal explosives. Every street knows which house or apartment is tormenting them day and night with illegal fireworks. Community policing with outreach, engagement and yes, enforcement can end this horrible scourge plaguing our city. Good people are at their wits end and ready to move away from Long Beach or resort to self-help actions against their scofflaw neighbors. Please don't let Long Beach become that kind of community.	6/22/2020
16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement plans, and a presentation from the Third Council District Committee on illegal fireworks.	Paula Tejada-Moncrief	paulatmoncrief@gmail.com						The fireworks have become a somewhat of a nightmare. As nighttime falls the rise of explosive fireworks begin, reigning terror over the neighborhood. For some it might not be a nuisance, but for most with babies, veterans and other people with PTSD, and companion animals, the effect is a major concern. We need to come together as a neighborhood as we've known Long Beach to be and promote healthy growth for all its occupants. Please stop the fireworks, and please respect one another within the community. Thank you,	6/23/2020

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16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement plans, and a presentation from the Third Council District Committee on illegal fireworks.	Zak Graff	zkgraff@hotmail.com						per Illegal Fireworks outreach, education and enforcement: Please make fireworks messaging more accessible and prevalent on LBFD web site. Currently, any fireworks information on the site is buried under multiple sub-menus (Main Page --> Fire Prevention --> Code Enforcement) with data from 2005. There is no heading or phone number listed to call or report illegal fireworks usage on LBFD main page (e.g. right-hand margin phone number headings). LBFD messaging should mirror LBPD efforts and feature more prominently in web presence and social media postings, with additional emphasis on public safety and fire prevention.	6/23/2020
16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement plans, and a presentation from the Third Council District Committee on illegal fireworks.	Jeremy Denning	jdennin@hotmail.com						Education and outreach have failed miserably. Years of non-enforcement by the City and LBPD have sent the message that any and all illegal fireworks will be tolerated by the City. Only aggressive enforcement actions with stiff penalties can turn the tide. Please take bold action now! People rightfully feel unsafe in their homes and neighborhoods. The constant noise is a public health and quality of life crisis. The situation is so far out of hand now any solution must begin with an aggressive crackdown and enforcement first.	6/23/2020
16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach	Diana Jones	hrhdiana2000@yahoo.com						While the information sent out by the fire department is of import, confetti bombs should not be encouraged. They are a bane to the environment.	6/23/2020
16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement	Elizabeth McDargh	liz@elizabethmcdargh.com						I have been tracking fireworks in the Lakewood Village area where we live for about 4 weeks now and they are exceeding 75 dB levels from about 9:05 pm to 2:15 am. Please help stop the noise so we can have a more peaceful Long Beach. Thank you very much.	6/22/2020

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16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement plans, and a presentation from the Third Council District Committee on illegal fireworks.	Tracey Booth-South	phedup.south@gmail.com						The community is desperate for solutions to stop the people setting off illegal fireworks and detonating explosives in every district every day and night. I am in the 8th District and there have been several brushfires lately in the riverbed (Wetlands)that come all the way up the hill to our mobile home park.....I KNOW 3 of them had to be from fireworks because we heard them, and where they came from before each fire started. We know how fast a mobile home goes up. In addition , we need someone to maintain the dry brush on that hillside. It does not look like this on the opposite hillside (next to bike path) where there are NO homes.....but on our side, it is all out of control dry brush. thank you.	6/22/2020

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16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement plans, and a presentation from the Third Council District Committee on illegal fireworks.	Karin Helfrich	karinhelfrich@hotmail.com						I moved from Corona Del Mar (Newport Beach) a year ago, and am shocked at the amount of illegal fireworks blasting through our neighborhoods every day, and sadly, stopping sometime after midnight. What's going on? Since this nightly illegal activity is affecting so many citizens in the area, I would Highly recommend a more aggressive plan of action from the City. The last 4 days, I've been keeping track of how many explosions are set off. I counted between 23 and 46. I respectfully ask you to take this seriously, all neighbors, pets and PTSD sufferers are counting on you.	6/21/2020

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16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com						We need help! The fireworks are every night with no fines or enforcement . Please put signs up & give out fines	6/21/2020
16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire	Stephanie Borden	stephanie.borden1987@gmail.com						Fireworks go off every night in the Alamitos Beach area. Sounds like explosions for hours	6/21/2020
16. (20-0592) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Long Beach Fire Department on the status of illegal firework outreach, education, and enforcement plans, and a presentation from the Third Council District Committee on illegal fireworks.	Dante Macatantan	dante.macatantan@gmail.com						Thank you including the issue of Fireworks and Explosions into the meeting. I am part of a group that is trying to create change on this issue that has been allowed to flourish in our city. We are volunteering our time, money, and safety to report those using and selling explosives, as well as unifying and educating our community. Many people have left or want to leave because of this issue. We want to protect Long Beach and enhance its safety and well-being, but we desperately need your assistance with law enforcement, ordinances, and public involvement.	6/20/2020

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<p>21. (20-0597) Recommendation to adopt Plans and Specifications No. R-7136 and award a contract to Sully-Miller Contracting Company, of Brea, CA, for the Taxiway D Rehabilitation between Runway 8L-26R and Taxiway J at the Long Beach Airport, in the amount of \$5,657,950, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$565,795, for a total amount not to exceed \$6,223,745; authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into the contract, including any necessary amendments;</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Airport Fund Group in the Airport Department by \$7,798,525, offset by grant</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						<p>This should come back - compare it to Item #22. The process for the other contract was much better, and yielded better outcomes for the local economy. PMCS in particular is a well-respected local firm.</p> <p>Moreover, we are not talking about skilled work. Even Sully-Miller contracting would agree, this is not the most technically daunting engineering work. Important work, to be sure - but in this unique moment in American history, prioritizing local firms working in the local economy is more than a "best practice" - it can be a lifeline to the community.</p> <p>There needs to be more council discussion when City Departments start requesting millions of dollars in capital improvement or infrastructure upgrade investments - surely there are existing practices and sets of criteria from which we can build up a specific "just and equitable recovery" checklist for when it comes to the open-bid process, no-bid contracts, and existing relationships with local firms.</p>	6/23/2020
<p>23. (20-0599) Recommendation to increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$2,800,000, offset by Measure R funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, for the Shoreline Drive Realignment Project; and</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$2,800,000, offset by a transfer of Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Measure R funds from the Capital Project Grant Fund. (Districts 1,2)</p>	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com						<p>I write in full support of the Shoreline Drive Realignment Project because it will reduce speeds, expand park space, and expand non-automobile transportation infrastructure. For too long, cars exiting the 710 Freeway rocket themselves into downtown along 6th Street. Unfortunately, this means there are many accidents near my home, including pedestrian deaths like JOSE HERNANDEZ, who was struck and killed by a speeding vehicle on May 28th. The realignment project also aims to expand Cesar Chavez Park, which would benefit from connecting the green spaces currently divided by a splintering array roadways- both used and retired. Finally, I love that this project includes 4 miles of new bicycle lanes and 2 miles of new pedestrian/bicycle paths that connect to the L.A. River Trail. Every effort should be made to improve connections between the River Trail and the Shoreline Bike Path, which is currently a poorly designed cycling experience.</p>	6/21/2020

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24. (20-0559) Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by adding Chapter 5.77, related to short-term rentals, read and adopted as read. (Citywide)	Dianne Sundstrom	dianne.sundstrom@verizon.net						I support permitting hosted STRs. However, I strongly oppose including Large-Scale Special Events in the ordinance. From my perspective, allowing STRs to hold up to 6 large-scale, 24 hour events is very troubling and potentially very disruptive to our neighborhoods. I am asking that you prohibit large-scale, commercial events at residential homes. There are many venues throughout the City perfectly suited to such events and not located in the midst of our neighborhoods. Why is staff promoting this element? I have examined many other city STR ordinances and do not find a large-scale event provision in those ordinances.	6/23/2020
24. (20-0559) Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by adding Chapter 5.77, related to short-term rentals, read and adopted	James Frederick	eccl411.12@gmail.com						Requirement conflict? STR can not be an ADU but the Covid requirement added June 5 requires the unit to be separate and self contained which is the definition of an ADU.	6/21/2020
NEW BUSINESS:	Jeremy Denning	jdennin@hotmail.com						The current fireworks situation in Long Beach is far out of hand. Nightly explosions started in early May and now it goes day and night in my neighborhood. Years of police non-enforcement and escalating firework lawlessness coupled with recent global events have created the perfect storm in Long Beach. Act now and be bold before something terrible happens, please. Education has failed miserably. We need stiffer penalties and most importantly we need aggressive enforcement to reclaim our neighborhoods from those terrorizing us with illegal explosives. Every street knows which house or apartment is tormenting them day and night with illegal fireworks. Community policing with outreach, engagement and most importantly, zero-tolerance enforcement can end this horrible scourge plaguing our city. Good people are at their wits end and ready to move away from Long Beach or resort to self-help actions against their scofflaw neighbors. Please don't let Long Beach become that kind of place.	6/23/2020

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<p>25. (20-0603) Recommendation to request the following recommendations of the Illegal Explosives and Fireworks Action Plan to address the illegal use of fireworks and explosives in Long Beach:</p> <p>1) Request City Attorney to draft an ordinance that would include a person who owns, rents, leases or otherwise has possession of a premises as a responsible party for the illegal use, discharge, possession, storage</p>	Theresa Hew	lthew1@yahoo.com						<p>I've lived in the 7th district for 28 years. I called in an M80 detonation about five years ago and nothing else until 2020. This year starting in mid June I have had to call almost every night about the explosives being released in my area causing a ton of anxiety and sleepless nights for me, my husband, neighbors, and pets. This reckless terrorism must stop. We need our quality of life restored NOW! The portal reporting is a good start as is the proposed publicly accessible heat map of incidents. Up the fine to pay for drones, use bike patrols. We need action not excuses. The law abiding public wants to be part of the solution but we need to put some hurt in the punishment otherwise the problem will continue and even worsen. Steeper fines AND mandatory jail time will go a long way toward the city's investment of resources to this problem. Thank you.</p>	6/23/2020
<p>25. (20-0603) Recommendation to request the following recommendations of the Illegal Explosives and Fireworks Action Plan to address the illegal use of fireworks and explosives in Long Beach:</p> <p>1) Request City Attorney to draft an ordinance that would include a person who owns, rents, leases or otherwise has possession of a premises as a responsible party for the illegal use, discharge, possession, storage or sale of fireworks on the premises;</p> <p>2) Request City Attorney and City Manager to report back to the City Council with options for increasing the penalties for anyone cited or arrested for fireworks violations;</p>	Thor Carlson	thor90807@gmail.com						<p>I am morally opposed to this Agenda item.</p> <p>Your knee-jerk, and rushed attempt to address this problem may feel good, but will not solve the problem. You should be considering research into the causes of this problem and tailoring your response address these issues.</p> <p>If you proceed down this path, it will be used as an excuse to over-police Black, Brown, and poor communities in our city. Giving police more resources to overwhelm and oppress these communities will be counter-productive.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>E. Thor Carlson</p>	6/23/2020

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25. (20-0603) Recommendation to request the following recommendations of the Illegal Explosives and Fireworks Action Plan to address the illegal use of fireworks and explosives in Long Beach:	John Purpura	japurpura2@gmail.com						Based on the traditions of having fireworks within Long Beach, we should probably look at removing this ordinance. While fireworks may be nuisances to pets, they are a way many celebrate at this time of year. To have stricter enforcement will target minorities far more, which is what the city should not be encouraging.	6/23/2020

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25. (20-0603) Recommendation to request the following	Dixie Miller	msdixipeach@yahoo.com						I support this.	6/22/2020
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25. (20-0603) Recommendation to request the following recommendations of the Illegal Explosives and Fireworks Action Plan to	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com						We don't need a report, we need the city to do its job. Start putting signs out & have enforcement. The fireworks are going off every night	6/21/2020

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26. (20-0558) Recommendation to direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Chapter 8.100 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to require that residential and commercial rent deferred due to COVID-19 impacts be repaid according to a schedule. (Citywide)	Olivia Gleason	ogleason7347@scrippscollege.edu						My name is Olivia Gleason and I live in the 3rd district (90803). I urge you to REJECT any form of repayment plan. It is not fair, logical, or moral to expect people who have been impacted by COVID to pay their rent on a strict schedule. Unemployment rates are still high in LB and the deadly effects of COVID are increasing. Forcing people to pay their rent back on a schedule prior to July 31, 2021 (at the earliest) will cancel out the sense of security and safety so many people received from the eviction moratorium. PLEASE wait until people are back on their feet. Long beach does not need more homelessness and property owners can wait a little bit longer if it means that people can have a place to live. This vote comes down to whether or not you will support people or continue to line to pockets of property owners by unethically forcing people out on the street. Please don't let your political interests lead you to vote on a plan that will most likely lead to someones eviction.	6/23/2020

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26. (20-0558) Recommendation to direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Chapter 8.100 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to require that residential and commercial rent deferred due to COVID-19 impacts be repaid according to a schedule. (Citywide)	Gregory Fong	gvfong+speakuplongbeach@gmail.com						Hi, I am writing to STRONGLY OPPOSE item 26 on the June 23, 2020 agenda. It is inappropriate to have a one-size-fits-all repayment plan when there are vast social inequities within Long Beach. This will have a disproportionate negative impact on Black and immigrant workers and families. In these devastating economic times, this will be directly responsible for evicting people from their homes and putting more people on the streets. Forcing Long Beach residents and businesses into a strict, one-size-fits-all deferred rent repayment schedule amid mass unemployment and a global pandemic is profoundly immoral. It is a time to instead define policies that serve and build up the people and businesses in our community. Don't enable those who would prey on those who are less fortunate. End the repayment schedule, and start planning for rent and mortgage forgiveness!	6/23/2020

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26. (20-0558) Recommendation to direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Chapter 8.100 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to require that residential and commercial rent deferred	Craig Spery	craigspery@aol.com						This deferred rent ordinance should be repealed entirely. The City Council has no business interfering with contracts between tenants and housing providers.	6/23/2020
26. (20-0558) Recommendation to direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Chapter 8.100 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to require that residential and commercial rent deferred due to COVID-19 impacts	Diana Jones	hrhdiana2000@yahoo.com						Housing providers are being forced to give services to others at great cost to themselves. They are not charities, but are being forced to be so. Renters need to start paying back.	6/23/2020

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26. (20-0558) Recommendation to direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Chapter 8.100 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to require that residential and commercial rent deferred due to COVID-19 impacts be repaid according to a schedule. (Citywide)	Louis Rosen	lounrosen@c omcast.net						The crisis which prompted the initial deferment of rent is far from over and is in fact showing signs of growing worse again. Many residents of Long Beach are still unemployed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and to force the repayment of deferred rent this soon would leave these residents homeless and do great harm to our community. I urge the City Council to move to cancel all rent in Long Beach that has been previously deferred, as well as all rent in the city until we see a more permanent end to the economic crisis brought on by COVID-19.	6/22/2020

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26. (20-0558) Recommendation to direct City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Chapter 8.100 of the Long Beach Municipal Code to require that residential and commercial rent deferred due to COVID-19 impacts be repaid according to a schedule. (Citywide)	Matthew Salaben	salabenbuy@verizon.net						I suggest that any and all eviction protections be halted immediately, including allowing tenants to not pay rent or have a payment plan, and that landlords not bear the effect of Covid 19. It's amazing that the City government wants to place the burden of Covid 19 on private property owners and yet the government wants me to still pay for taxes, make repairs, pay utilities, etc. etc. Small landlords like myself can't get no interest loans to pay for our mortgage, repairs, upkeep, utilities, taxes; and even if we could there is no guaranty that tenants won't fail to pay rent when they are required to do so. You have basically given tenants the ability to stay, rent free, for 6 months or longer with no fear of repercussion, liability, or detrimental affect on their credit and ability to rent in the future. I'm appalled by your illegal taking of my property and breach of my right to contract with tenants.	6/20/2020

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27. (20-0604) Recommendation to adopt resolution acknowledging Racism as a Public Health Crisis and establishing a Framework for Reconciliation. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						<p>Again, quickly, please keep in mind that 'equity' does not mean "taking people's stuff".</p> <p>It is about looking up! Looking up at the institutions - the rules and roles for us that structure our behavior - that force people into a relationship where one group perpetrates some form of social oppression, and the other is victimized by it. Looking up at the chains that lock people into these socially antagonistic relationships - and breaking away from those fetters.</p> <p>'Collective Liberation' is thus an attractive frame through which to think about the core issue at play tonight: When we recognize systematic oppression - like, say, racism - is operant in our institutions, or is a threat to public health - as indeed it is - what we are recognizing is a state of affairs that is untenable with the mission, values, and vision of this City.</p> <p>Please understand, if black folks lives, health, and education do not matter in Long Beach, then no one else's does either. Everyone stays at risk.</p>	6/23/2020
27. (20-0604) Recommendation to adopt resolution acknowledging Racism as a Public Health Crisis and establishing a Framework for Reconciliation. (Citywide)	Emily Kreps	emilyakreps@gmail.com						<p>As we acknowledge Racism as a Public Health Crisis it is important that we acknowledge the harm policing has caused in our community and the impacts this has on the public's health. Will the Public Health Department be taking over the review and reporting of the impact of cases of excessive force and/or wrongful death? The Citizens' Police Complaint Commission needs a conflict of interest code and/or review thereof. What controls are there on CPCC Commissioner conflicts of interest? Are they completely free of ties to the Police Department? Are CPCC commissioners conflict-checked? Why are advisory bodies like the CPCC in charge of reviewing their own conflict of interest policies? As a tax payer and voter in the 3rd district I want accountability. Emily Kreps3rd district</p>	6/23/2020

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27. (20-0604) Recommendation to adopt resolution acknowledging Racism as a Public Health Crisis and establishing a Framework for Reconciliation. (Citywide)	Kimberly Lind	kiby.olson@gmail.com						The framework for reconciliation should detail more specific means that the council approves, by which to accomplish the objectives of LB citizens concerned about racism and police reform. Specifically, the resolution states it will convene stakeholders to evaluate the feedback from the formal listening process and shape policy, budgetary, Charter, and programmatic reform ideas. How are these "stakeholders" being selected? Are the "stakeholder" names going to be disclosed to the public so we know who is evaluating the formal listening process and making suggestions? Will their comments and considerations be made public? What methods of access and recording are being utilized to receive and gather information from the formal listening process for the stakeholders to evaluate? How is the formal listening process being properly facilitated? Who is being tasked with reaching out to groups such as Black Lives Matter? Is there a designated liason to contact these groups and obtain feedback?	6/23/2020

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27. (20-0604) Recommendation to adopt resolution acknowledging Racism as a Public Health Crisis and establishing a Framework for Reconciliation. (Citywide)	roberta denis	r5denis@verizon.net						As a Long Beach resident I want to know what direct actions the city council is taking to address the public health crisis of racism. Just acknowledging it exists, is not enough. The dollars spent on LBPD, a proven racist institution, makes this agenda item an empty gesture. Defund the police and invest in the communities that have suffered from the racism you are acknowledging as a public health crisis. Invest in education, mental health care, jobs, and financial support. After reading the transcript from the first listening session, I can see you have a lot of work in front of you to improve the steps you are taking to address racism. Not enough people were heard and some voices stole away time from the people who need to be heard. Also, having the police be "at the table" for reconciliation is a ridiculous idea. Inviting perpetrators to the table will make people afraid and there will be no real sense of commitment from the city council. Acknowledge that you are making mistakes.	6/22/2020
27. (20-0604) Recommendation to adopt resolution acknowledging Racism as a Public Health Crisis and establishing a Framework for Reconciliation. (Citywide)	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com						In Long Beach, the average life expectancy on the Westside is 7 YEARS lower than on the Eastside. That's despicable. It is appropriate and correct to declare this a public health crisis, but it is also insufficient. A declaration does not prescribe actions or allocate money, so these policy changes must be included in City's Framework for Reconciliation findings. Please support this motion, but more importantly, please pass a budget that reflects this acknowledgement and invests in better health outcomes for black and brown residents.	6/21/2020

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27. (20-0604) Recommendation to adopt resolution acknowledging Racism as a Public Health Crisis and establishing a Framework for Reconciliation. (Citywide)	Matthew Salaben	salabenbuy@verizon.net						I recommend that the City reduce City employees pay and benefits, including that of unions, council persons and retirees, by an amount to cover any and all expenses caused by the resolution including any funds/resources that are diverted from other City resources to cover these recommendations. Let the City employees bear the cost rather than the tax payers as is your normal modus operandi.	6/20/2020