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June 5, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by amending section 2.52.020 related to Public Safety Advisory Commission read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading.

**DISCUSSION:**


Pursuant to your request of May 3, 2007, this office has prepared and submits the above-described ordinance for your consideration.

**SUGGESTED ACTION:**

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney

By   
Gary J. Anderson  
Deputy City Attorney

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ATTACHEMENT "A"

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B. Specific public safety needs of the community, as directed by the city council;

C. Methods of increasing public safety awareness by making recommendations on the best means of communication, such as through the schools, etc.;

D. Recommending commendations to private citizens and public employees for significant contributions to public safety;

E. Consideration of traffic flow within the city;

F. Special projects and programs furthering the interests of public safety, including promotion of a city-wide public safety fair; and

G. Methods of enhancing community relations with city departments involved in public safety.

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1 consideration.

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5 complaints about specific incidents or allegations against public safety  
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7 policy issues set forth above which may be presented by such complaints.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH  
MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 2.52.020  
RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION

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

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to read as follows:

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19 Section 2: The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this Ordinance by  
20 the City Council and cause it to be posted in three conspicuous places in the City of Long  
21 Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first day after it is approved by the Mayor.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the City Council of  
the City of Long Beach at its meeting of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007, by  
the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_

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Noes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_

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Absent: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_

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City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

GJA:lk  
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