

Date: October 21, 2008

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga, Seventh District
Councilmember Gerrie Schipske, Fifth District
Councilmember Val Lerch, Ninth District

Subject: **AGENDA ITEM: Request the City Manager provide a report on Police Substation public accessibility**

Today we recognized October as Domestic Violence Awareness month to acknowledge the pressures on families that can often translate into violence.

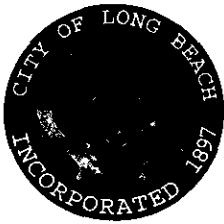
Families that have custody issues often are required by the courts to utilize our police substations as exchange locations for visitations by parents with history of violence, abuse or other problems. When the substations are closed, the only remaining location is then the main police station located downtown.

Our current troubled economic times are proving to exacerbate the situation, with individuals in fragile domestic situations feeling an increase in frustration and hopelessness often resulting in violence.

The City Council and the Mayor have indicated that public safety is a priority and in an attempt to trim the budget, have agreed with the Police Department's repositioning of budget assets.

We are requesting that every reasonable effort be made to assist the public avoid any possible domestic violence. Given the size of the city, we are requesting that the city manager prepare a report on assisting victims of domestic abuse by maintaining or possibly increasing the hours Police Substations are open to the public.

Suggested Action: Request City Manager provide a report on assisting victims of domestic abuse by maintaining or possibly increasing the hours Police Substations are open to the public.



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REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date: October 15, 2008

To: Larry Herrera, City Clerk

From: Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga
Councilwoman Gerrie Schipske
Councilman Val Lerch

Subject: Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Meeting of October 21, 2008.

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 under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

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

Request City Manager provide a report on assisting victims of domestic abuse by maintaining or possibly increasing the hours police substations are open to the public.

Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
7	Tonia Reyes Uranga	See memorandum
5	Gerrie Schipske	See memorandum
9	Val Lerch	See memorandum

CC: Office of the Mayor
