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May 24, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing and affirm the April 4, 2005, Hearing Officer Decision and overrule the appeal of a gas-billing dispute by Dr. Willie Goffney.

DISCUSSION

On April 4, 2005, a hearing was held to consider an Administrative Hearing Decision of October 29, 2004, regarding the appeal of Dr. Willie Goffney disputing charges for a natural gas bill of the City of Long Beach totaling \$414.66.

On April 18, 2005, the Hearing Officer rendered a decision (attached) upholding the Administrative Hearing Decision that a gas usage adjustment was not authorized and that the appellant must bear financial responsibility for the subject gas usage charges.

On May 10, 2005, the City Council set this matter for hearing on May 24, 2005.

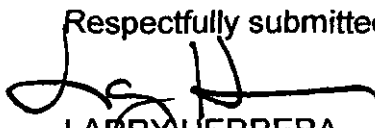
Long Beach Municipal Code section 2.93.050 (8) provides as follows:

After review of the hearing officer's report, the City Council may adopt, reject or modify the recommended decision. In its discretion, the City Council may take additional evidence at the hearing or refer the case to the hearing officer with instructions to consider additional evidence.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,


LARRY HERRERA
CITY CLERK

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Attachments