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Sent via electronic mail

SUBJECT: COUNCIL FILE 17-0400—IMPROVING LONG BEACH'S PRIVATE WASTE AND RECYCLING SYSTEM

Dear Mayor Garcia and City Council,

I am writing on behalf of Long Beach 350 to voice strong support for passing a 5-year notice for commercial waste haulers on May 23, which will begin the process of improving our commercial waste collection system, and improving the quality of life in our neighborhoods.

Our organization is a proud member of Don't Waste Long Beach because we see several potential benefits to the City, including:

- Reduction of excessive private trash hauler traffic and the related air and noise pollution;
- Mitigation of potholes and excessive wear and tear to our streets and alleyways;
- Ceased dumping of large items and appliances in our alleys and the related health and safety issues;
- Fair and transparent recycling rates for apartment buildings and small businesses; and
- Potential career paths for good, green jobs within the waste and recycling industry for Long Beach residents.

We ask for you to support this exciting and important policy process by voting YES on the "Five Year Notice" on May 23.

Thank you,

Alice Stevens, co-founder and community organizer Long Beach 350 Council District 4 resident

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