

eComments Report for City Council Meeting Agenda of March 8, 2022

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1. (22-0238) Recommendation to receive and file the Proposition H Audit Report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>Hello,</p> <p>We need a much fuller evaluation of how much money, since the Fiscal Year that ended September 30th, 2013, Proposition H has locked the City out-of- / into- with respect to verifiable progress on the City's/County's/State's climate action and environmental sustainability goals.</p> <p>Especially from the Office of "Independence You Can Rely On" ... [only if you're MWD ...?]</p> <p>Oil could soon be north of \$125/barrel.</p> <p>The City of Long Beach seems to have a lot of perverse incentives to keep drilling for oil, when the costs / risks / *already*-*attributable*-loss/damage/harm / and pollution impacts are mounting.</p> <p>Paying for Oil Well Abandonment by drilling new wells in 2022 is the epitome of "not understanding you can't keep adapting to something you fail to mitigate".</p> <p>The public needs a systematic review of the Oil Barrel Tax, the metrics for evaluating year-to-year emissions reduction reduction, and this "Preparation H"</p> <p>Dave Shukla Operations, Long Beach Alliance for Clean Energy</p>	3/8/2022
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4. (22-0240) Recommendation to confirm City Manager's promulgation of the revised Health Order for the Control of COVID-19, effective on February 25, 2022; and Confirm City Manager's promulgation of the revised	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support	3/8/2022

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8. (22-0244) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any necessary documents including any subsequent amendments, with the California Department of Parks and Recreation's Office of Grants and Local Services Per Capita Program, to receive and expend grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$177,952, for capital improvements at DeForest Park, from April 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023. (District 9)	Anne Proffit	anne@highpowermedia.com		Please understand that any work at DeForest Park where trees are either trimmed or removed will be monitored by those of us who are aware of your desire to rid this city of any form of ecological value. Meh.	3/7/2022
12. (22-0259) Recommendation to conduct a study session to receive and file a presentation and update on Citywide Fiscal Outlook and FY 23 Budget Development.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Very interested to see this presentation	3/8/2022
13. (22-0248) Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, find the municipal code amendments consistent with the adopted Negative Declaration (ND 07-19) and find the municipal code amendments statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.9 and Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, Section 15265; Declare ordinance amending Title 5, Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions, of the Long Beach Municipal Code, to implement modifications by the California Coastal Commission (Coastal Commission), read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading;	Jeff Mallin	jeff.mallin@gmail.com		I support the balanced approach to unhosted short-term rentals as expressed in the City's Ordinance, as amended. Especially with the opt-out option, as originally suggested by Councilwoman Suzie Price, it affords the right balance and limits between the competing interests of hosts and nearby residents. I appreciate the perspectives and input that were welcomed by Councilwoman Price and Councilwoman Allen in their engagement with the neighborhoods located within the Coastal Zone over this important issue that impacts both our residents' quality of life and visiting tourism. Education and enforcement of the necessary permit process, opt-out process, and code violations (such as, noise, nonpermitted use, and parking issues) will continue to be needed to ensure that the peaceful operation and the safety in the surrounding neighborhoods are maintained. -jeff mallin Long Beach, CA 90803 Resident in Bluff Park Historic District located (2nd Council District)	3/8/2022

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<p>(22-0249) Declare ordinance approving a Zoning Code Amendment amending Title 21, Zoning Regulations, of the Long Beach Municipal Code, to implement modifications by the California Coastal Commission, read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading; and</p>	David Beck	4611colorado@runbox.com		<p>I am very concerned about the CA Coastal Commission's finding in document W13b, https://documents.coastal.ca.gov/reports/2021/12/W13b/w13b-12-2021-report.pdf, requesting that the City of LB remove the ability of owners of multi-unit buildings in the coastal zone to request placement of their buildings on the Prohibited (for STR usage) Buildings list per LB Municipal Code Section 5.77.020.M.</p> <p>The inability of a building owner to determine and take measures to control STR activity in their building could result in situations that disrupt other tenants' right to enjoy their occupancy, and similarly negatively impact neighboring properties. Multi-unit buildings are typically high density living conditions and already are prone to resident irritation from their neighbors' behavior. Long term residents have an incentive to moderate their actions affecting their neighbors but STR guests have no such motivations.</p>	3/8/2022

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(22-0250) Adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to submit the Local Coastal Program Amendment (LCP-5-LOB-20-0058-3) and associated materials to the California Coastal Commission for its review and certification in compliance with the California Coastal Commission's December 15, 2021 action. (Citywide)	David Beck	4611colorado@runbox.com		<p>I am very concerned about the CA Coastal Commission's finding in document W13b, https://documents.coastal.ca.gov/reports/2021/12/W13b/w13b-12-2021-report.pdf, requesting that the City of LB remove the ability of owners of multi-unit buildings in the coastal zone to request placement of their buildings on the Prohibited (for STR usage) Buildings list per LB Municipal Code Section 5.77.020.M.</p> <p>The inability of a building owner to determine and take measures to control STR activity in their building could result in situations that disrupt other tenants' right to enjoy their occupancy, and similarly negatively impact neighboring properties. Multi-unit buildings are typically high density living conditions and already are prone to resident irritation from their neighbors' behavior. Long term residents have an incentive to moderate their actions affecting their neighbors but STR guests have no such motivations.</p>	3/8/2022

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PUBLIC COMMENT:	Steven Nadell	sbnadell@aol.com		Allowing census tracts to opt out of STR's is an unfair restriction on the rights of home owners to manage, maintain, and to continue to live and own property based on affluent neighbors to opt out and restrict anything they feel impacts their lives. What's next a ban on; racial diversity, lower socio-economic community members, religions or limit the ability for me to pay my mortgage. The Coastal Commission has advised against this practice and I urge you to vote based on the recommendations of the committee. STR's during the pandemic housed travelling nurses that served our local hospitals, STR's host families visiting sick residents, or seek treatment at our fine medical centers. Responsible STR hosts will not allow parties, or rent to people under 30 years old. Responsible hosts have strict rules that are enforced STRs' contribute to our tax base with a 12% TOT. STR's can contribute towards adding additional police on the street and assist in alleviating our homeless crisis	3/8/2022
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Philip Belfer	philipb123@mac.com		Short-term rentals in Belmont Shore, Bluff Park, Alamitos Beach and Downtown benefit absentee landlords at the expense of local residents. This is what our elected representatives are voting for? Shameful. Where's the money for hiring people to enforce the supposed safeguards against party houses and unlicensed short-term rentals?	3/8/2022
14. (22-0251) Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$10,000, offset by the Seventh Council District One-time District Priority Funds, transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide a donation to the Bixby Knolls Business Improvement Association to support our partnership to create additional painted utility boxes in Council District 7; and Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$10,000 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support. Please consider new artists. There's a utility box at LB Blvd and Roosevelt that was painted poorly, it must be said. Dave Shukla.	3/8/2022

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<p>15. (22-0252) Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$500, offset by the Sixth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to support the Khmer Parent Association's 7th Annual Mother and Daughters Conference; and</p> <p>Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$500 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support	3/8/2022

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<p>16. (22-0257) Recommendation to request Climate Action and Environmental Committee to work with appropriate City staff, the Infrastructure Funding Alliance, Southern California Edison, labor organizations, and other stakeholders to be identified to better understand the potential regional and local impacts of the proposed "Freedom Villages" project and consider the formation of an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District, and forward recommendations to the Ports, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee; and</p> <p>Request Ports, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee to review the recommendations of the Climate Action and Environmental Committee, working with appropriate City staff, the Infrastructure Funding Alliance, Southern California Edison, labor organizations, and other stakeholders to be identified, and forward recommendations to the City Council.</p>	<p>Dave Shukla</p>	<p>dave.shukla@gmail.com</p>		<p>STRONG RESERVATIONS, IF NOT OUTRIGHT OPPOSITION.</p> <p>And not just because of the role it grandfathers in for SCE!</p> <p>How does this proposal, from the "Infrastructure Funding Alliance" a good deal for this City?</p> <p>What does it commit us to, re: SB671?</p> <p>What kind of "pathing" will be required?</p> <p>The "Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District" is a what, a Special Economic Zone ?</p> <p>The 1200 acres are City Property, yes?</p> <p>The City of Long Beach needs to create a JPA -- Joint Powers Authority -- with the Port of Long Beach to control all electricity procurement, rate design, infrastructure siting, and battery storage and smart-grid functionality at this site.</p> <p>What is the rationale for this EIFD? Giving shore power over to SCE as a turnstile of profits for them? Is LB chattel?</p> <p>There is not a lick of detail on how EIFD would increase environmental performance or gains, let alone, how it relates to the infrastructure already there: PoLB, SERRF, Cement, Oil/Gas, SuperContainers, etc.</p> <p>DS CD3</p>	<p>3/8/2022</p>

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<p>19. (22-0254) Recommendation to approve the Fiscal Year 2022 first departmental and fund budget appropriation adjustments in accordance with existing City Council policy. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Interesting	3/8/2022
<p>20. (22-0255) Recommendation to find that all requirements of the final subdivision map for condominium purposes, for the Shoreline Gateway project, a 35-story mixed-use building creating 316 units with 315 residential dwelling units and one commercial unit, located at 777 East Ocean Boulevard, have been met; approve the final map for Tract No. 82245; authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute subdivision agreements; and</p> <p>Accept the Determination that the project is within the scope of the Shoreline Gateway Plan Environmental Impact Report State Clearinghouse No. 2005121066 and Addendum. (District 1)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Interesting	3/8/2022

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21. (22-0228) Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by adding Chapter 10.82 relating to prohibiting spectators at street races, sideshows, and reckless driving exhibitions, read and adopted as read. (Citywide)	Laura Sellmer	laurasellmer@gmail.com		Please support this ordinance. Having witnessed an "œexhibition" three blocks from my home, I can attest to the lethal danger they pose, even greater when the crowd disperse. Many spectators then become full participants in street racing as they flee. Having scanner technology, everyone flees moments before police arrive. Vehicles speed 60mph in every direction on residential streets and it is terrifying to see. I do hope the city will also consider charges of organized crime if the problem persists as these events are organized in their ability to attract a large crowd. Thank you for adopting this ordinance.	3/8/2022