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Dee Andrews
City of Long Beach
Councilmember, Sixth District

Date: October 21, 2014

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez, First District *LG*
Councilwoman Stacy Mungo, Fifth District *SM*
Councilmember Dee Andrews, Sixth District *DA*

Subject: Infectious Disease Emergency Response Plan (IDER)

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to request the City Manager to work with City Departments and local Medical Centers to create an Infectious Disease Emergency Response Plan (IDEP) and report back to City Council within 30 days.

DISCUSSION:

Today's infectious disease challenges are broader and more complex than they were in years past. Infectious disease emergencies are circumstances caused by biological agents, including organisms such as bacteria, viruses or toxins with the potential for significant illness or death in the population. The Infectious Disease Emergencies Response (IDER) Plan may be used in situations that include naturally occurring outbreaks (e.g., measles, mumps, meningococcal disease), emerging infectious diseases (e.g., SARS, pandemic influenza, emboli), and bioterrorism.

As a local government municipality, we must be prepared with an emergency plan in place to assist the public while reducing any concerns that a possible spread of an infectious disease can cause. The plan should include all the steps that could be taken in a pandemic or epidemic emergency. A "pandemic" is a widespread outbreak of a communicable disease, passing as multiple waves of illness in human populations worldwide. An "epidemic" is an illness that impact smaller geographic areas.

The plan includes but not limited to training drills, public notification and instructions for prevention, as well as, any necessary treatment areas such as isolation or quarantine. The Infectious Disease Emergency Response Plan reduces illness and death.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no significant cost for this item.



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REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date: October 21, 2014
To: Larry Herrera, City Clerk
From: Councilman Dee Andrews
Subject: Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of October 21, 2014

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:

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Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
6 th	Dee Andrews	<i>Dee Andrews</i>
1 st	Lena Gonzalez	<i>Lena Gonzalez</i>
5 th	Stacy Mungo	<i>Stacy Mungo</i>

Attachment: Staff Report dated October 21, 2014

CC: Office of the Mayor