



Date: September 11, 2007
To: Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: Councilmember Gary DeLong, Chair, Budget Oversight Committee
Subject: **CITY COUNCIL'S STATED PRIORITIES FOR FY 2008**

The Budget Oversight Committee, at its meeting held September 6, 2007, considered communications relative to the above subject.

It is the recommendation of the Budget Oversight Committee to the City Council that the updated list of Priorities be received and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

BUDGET OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Gary DeLong, Chair

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City Council's Stated Priorities

It is the mission of the City Council to continually improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods by ensuring public safety, supporting programs that encourage the public's health and well being; promoting quality housing developments, thereby improving home ownership opportunities for Long Beach residents; and ensuring that the city grows "Green" by creating appropriate environmental policies.

Essential to our success as a city is to ensure that City policy creation is done in a transparent manner with extensive community involvement.

City Council's Stated Priorities:

- Adopt an annual budget that is structurally balanced
- Improve the City's infrastructure, including streets, sidewalks, curbs, alleys and city facilities
- Enhance neighborhood economic development efforts, particularly on the commercial corridors
- Promote workforce and business development efforts to create new jobs; ensure Long Beach becomes more business friendly
- Improve the transportation system to efficiently and effectively move goods and people through the city without negatively impacting the neighborhoods