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3. (20-0325) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute the 2020 Long Beach Tidelands Dry Gas Agreement with the California State Lands Commission for the wholesale market value of the Tidelands dry gas. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						I would like to see this come back to council to be presented publicly, especially given the volatility in oil and gas markets currently due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	4/21/2020
9. (20-0331) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding, and all other necessary documents, with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, to provide them documents released via a third-party Senate Bill 1421 California Public Records Act request. (Citywide)	Stephen Downing	stephen.beachcomber@gmail.com						<p>On Aug. 25, 2019 the California Supreme Court overturned a Court of Appeal ruling that barred former LBPD Chief and L.A. County Sheriff Jim McDonnell from giving prosecutors the names of deputies whose disciplinary records included lying, taking bribes, using unreasonable force or engaging in domestic violence.</p> <p>It is strongly recommended that - if this item is approved, the MOU with the D.A. be expanded as necessary to direct the Police Department to furnish to the City Prosecutor and the District Attorney complete and on-going updated lists of all police officers who meet the criteria of the court decision as well as Senate Bill 1421 related adjudications.</p> <p>â€ This recommendation was made to the Public Safety Committee Chair on August 27, 2019 with no response. Stephen Downing, Resident D3</p>	4/20/2020
26. (20-0348) Recommendation to request City Manager to report back to the City Council on how Long Beach households will be able to utilize the L.A. County Countywide Emergency Rental Assistance Program when it is implemented, and assess the feasibility of utilizing additional federal, state and private funding sources to leverage for additional Long Beach families in financial need to be able to obtain emergency rental assistance during the COVID-19 crisis.	Ricky Mendez	rmejia.rels@gmail.com						I support the City Council to create simple and direct aid to Long Beach residents immediately to avoid homelessness and an influx of needs already being required by so many residents. These processes should incorporate Trauma-Informed Care and should be accessible to all residents, regardless of legal status or socioeconomic status.	4/21/2020

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27. (20-0349) Recommendation to to request City Manager to work with Office of Equity to schedule a future presentation before the City Council on the Equity Toolkit, including an overview of case studies and examples on how to apply it.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com						I support having a presentation, look forward to how comprehensive the selection of case studies and examples have been, and suggest these examples have direct relevance to workforce and employment provisions in the economic relief package in response to Covid-19 passed by the City Council on April 14, 2020.	4/21/2020
27. (20-0349) Recommendation to to request City Manager to work with Office of Equity to schedule a future presentation before the City Council on the Equity Toolkit, including an overview of case studies and examples on how to apply it.	Laura Merryfield	lauramerryfield@gmail.com						An equity toolkit is only as strong as its application. As long as equity remains a goal for someone else to think about, and not a daily practice for all to act upon, our city will not be serving its residents to the greatest potential. As reaching the most disconnected residents becomes a greater challenge, and some pressing needs become less visible, equity must be at the forefront of all policy decisions the Council makes.	4/21/2020
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