

eComments Report for City Council Meeting Agenda of April 16, 2019

Item	Name	E-mail	Street	Neighborhood	City	State	Zip	Comment	Received
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Gretchen Swanson	gretchen.swanson3@gmail.com					90814	In regards to proposal for LBPd to take over the Special Security Forces program/staffing at the LB Airport and other ports of entry into the city of LB. Please consider holding open council discussions regarding this proposal. 1) WRONG PRIORITY - LBPd has an oversized/super-sized budget, a greater percentage than most large Calif. cities. 2) WRONG PURPOSE - Special Security staffing should never be co-mingled with local policing. Doing so creates a paramilitary organization.	4/16/2019
10. (19-0352) Recommendation to request City Manager to begin implementation on priority areas identified in the Downtown Parking Study and report on the progress of those initiatives.	Michael Clemson	mclemson@gmail.com					90804	Parking demand in the Downtown area is high because of the lack of alternatives. Without alternatives, people have no choice but to drive and fight for limited parking. The city needs to make investments, which will require both funds and additional public space. Any proposal that doesn't contain alternatives to driving only ensures that more people will be forced to drive.	4/12/2019
12. (19-0354) Recommendation to request City Manager to work with the Library Services Department and the Arts Council of Long Beach to establish a Youth Poet Laureate Program in Long Beach.	Parisa Vinzant	parisa.vinzant@gmail.com					90803	I am writing in strong support of establishing a Youth Poet Laureate program for Long Beach kids and teens. I know from personal experience that being introduced to poetry as a kid has a transformative effect, leading to improved confidence and educational learning. Thank you.	4/16/2019