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| PUBLIC COMMENT:  | Michelle Baker | michellebaker199@gmail.com | 1900 E Ocean Blvd, 816                   | We need to address the litter and trash in the City. Please designate a month as "anti litter" month including holding trash clean up events in every district and with the mayor. We also need to enforce anti litter laws at the beach and while parking.   | 2/8/2021        |
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| 16. (21-0116) Recommendation to increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department in the amount of \$2,500, offset by the Fifth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department to support critical need safety improvements in the Fifth Council District;<br><br>Increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Public Works Department in the amount of \$7,500, offset by the Fifth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department to support critical need safety improvements in the Fifth Council District; | Mike Goldsworthy | mgoldsworthy@gmail.com |                | As a resident of the Ranchos, I'm not sure that I believe that the \$7500 gate is justified. It seems to me that this makes our neighborhood start to feel like it's a private neighborhood with it's own special access to get to the park. While I can certainly appreciate concerns about nonresidents parking in our neighborhood in order to avoid the gate fee at the park, when we bought here 10+ years ago, we did so knowing that our proximity to the park is both a benefit and a liability. Much like buying a home in the neighborhood of your kid's school, there are many things that are beneficial and other things that will become a nuisance. I'd personally be remiss to cut off access for the public from our neighborhood to the park, especially since we do not live in a private neighborhood and I do not desire to have the kind of ethos that comes with that<br><br>The \$2500 light makes sense to me as something that is beneficial and needed in order to illuminate that area and what happens there | 2/8/2021        |
| 16. (21-0116) Recommendation to increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department in the amount of \$2,500, offset by the Fifth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department to support critical need  | Susan Kollins    | kollinss65@gmail.com   |                | I disagree with locking the stevely/spring St staircase. Rather put a gate on the other side of the river, that can be locked for us, so we don't have to walk on the sidewalk next to cars going 60mph.  | 2/8/2021        |