

**eComments Report for City Council Meeting Agenda of April 4, 2023**

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<p>15. (23-0307) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary documents including any necessary subsequent amendments, with Elastec, Inc., of Carmi, IL, for the purchase of an Elastec E30 work boat, with trailer and other accessories, in a total amount not to exceed \$416,934, including taxes and fees. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Neat boat.	4/4/2023
<p>19. (23-0310) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary documents, including subsequent amendments, with Bibliotheca, of Norcross, GA to provide updated patron self-checkout machines at the eleven Long Beach Public Library branch libraries, and maintenance services, in a total amount not to exceed \$224,726 for a period of 5 years, with no renewal options, at the discretion of the City Manager; and, authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into the contract, including any necessary subsequent amendments. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Or the City could just hire more librarians.	4/4/2023

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EARTH MONTH KICK-OFF	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Is it?	4/4/2023
<p>21. (23-0312) Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record and conclude the public hearing and consider one third-party appeal by the Westside Business Association of Long Beach (APL23-005);</p> <p>Adopt resolution adopting and certifying a Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND 01-23) and making findings of fact related thereto, and adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and</p> <p>Deny the appeal of the Planning Commission's decision and approve two (2) Conditional Use Permits (CUP21-010 &amp; CUP21-011) to operate a trucking use on two (2) properties located at 1711 Harbor Avenue and 1515 West 17th Street that total 4.85 acres in size in the General Industrial (IG) Zoning District. (District 7)</p>	Kirk Davis	lionkirkd@gmail.com		<p>I urge you to uphold the appeal by the WBALB and deny the conditional use permits for this project. Long Beach should not be pushing for new supply chain warehousing and container storage within or near city limits. The overburden of pollution throughout the port trucking zones is a detriment to community health and city infrastructure. The commitment and promise to a clean, healthy, and resilient city should always be a priority, and not a "we are still working on it" response. More work should have been done with the ongoing implementation strategies of LUM 50,51, and 52. The community should always be engaged in expressing their needs and protecting their health.</p>	4/4/2023

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PUBLIC COMMENT	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>April 4th is an important date in American history. On this date, 56 years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave one of his most famous and enduring speeches at the Riverside Church in New York City, where he repudiated the Vietnam War and the three strands of American racism, American militarism, and American capitalism that tied it together in 1967. One year later to the day, 55 years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated while in Memphis supporting Municipal Sanitation Workers on strike there, some of whose lives had been taken by the very trucks on which they were unfairly employed. It will not be until 2027, when government records of the investigation into his murder are finally unsealed, that any further clarity on the motives or means or methods of Dr. King's assassin(s) will be added to the public record. Yet come then, as now, or as further back in 1967 or 1867 or even 1787, we can ask: Am I not a man and a brother?</p>	4/4/2023

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<p>28. (23-0321) Recommendation to continue the local emergency caused by conditions or threatened conditions of homelessness within the City of Long Beach, which if not corrected, constitute an imminent and proximate threat to the safety of persons and property within the City; and</p> <p>Receive and file an update on the emergency declaration and associated activities and provide any additional direction to City staff regarding the emergency. (Citywide)</p>	Leslie Davis	leslielkd@gmail.com		<p>I'd like to suggest that you share the results from the Survey so that the public is kept informed how the City plans to implement the suggestions and the facts that you have gleaned. The emergency response to this issue seems too small for the size of the problem. From an organizational perspective it doesn't appear that you have a dedicated coordinator and laser focused team solely dedicated to this singular issue. Have all parking lots and vacant properties been tapped for temporary residential solutions? Can you please also explore setting up tents for temporary housing while you explore options for permanent quarters? The first objective is to get the homeless off the streets. I would also recommend that you publish a Flyer with a list of options for the homeless and hand them out. Personal connections need to be made with people on our streets - - don't expect that they have phones and can get on the Internet.</p> <p>Leslie Davis District 2 leslielkd@gmail.com</p>	3/31/2023