

eComments Report for City Council Meeting Agenda of May 10, 2011

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9. (11-0446) Recommendation to respectfully request City Attorney to work with the City Prosecutor and City Manager to draft an ordinance protecting pedestrians and businesses from aggressive and passive solicitation.	Wayne Stickle	wstickle@hotmail.com		3rd District, Gary DeLong	Long Beach	Ca	90815	The Council may not be aware but there is already a California Penal Code section that prohibits panhandling. 647(c)P.C. makes it a misdemeanor to "accost other persons in any public place or in any place open to the public for the purpose of begging or soliciting alms." Here,s a link to the section: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/waisgate?WAISdocID=05741713453+2+0+0&WAIAction=retrieve Patrol officers could easily solve this problem without using Council time or	5/10/2011
9. (11-0446) Recommendation to respectfully request City Attorney to work with the City Prosecutor and City Manager to draft an ordinance protecting pedestrians and businesses from aggressive and passive solicitation.	Kate Karp	katekarp@netzero.net		3rd District, Gary DeLong	Long Beach	Ca	90803	1.The act, not the person, should be used. Panhandling labels a person, and I worry that this label may target people who may fit an image. 2. Not all homeless panhandle, and not all who panhandle are homeless. We've experienced children coming to restaurant tables asking for private-school tuition while selling candy or aggressively asking for money for some unverifiable cause and then name-calling if refused. No adults are present. The adults setting up kids for abuse should be prosecuted.	5/10/2011

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