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4. (21-1197) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a Customer Natural Gas Transportation/Service Agreement and all necessary amendments, with Toyota Logistics Services, Inc., a California corporation (Toyota), for the transmission of Toyota-owned natural gas through the City of Long Beach pipeline system, for a period of five years, with automatic one-year renewal options. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		This contract needs to be amended for environmental performance review after year 1, year 2, year 3, etc. Thanking you, Dave Shukla Operations LB ACE	11/16/2021
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8. (21-1201) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents with the Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program, to file the annual equitable sharing report. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support.	11/16/2021
10. (21-1203) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to accept an easement deed from LINC-Spark APTS, LP, a California limited partnership, the owner of the property at 1900-1940 Long Beach Boulevard, for the installation of public utilities; and Accept State Clearinghouse No. 2015031034. (District 6)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Interesting.	11/16/2021
12. (21-1205) Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into record, conclude the public hearing, and confirm the Proposed 2021-2029 General Plan Housing Element (Proposed Plan), and provide direction to the Department of Development Services to finalize the Proposed Plan, and submit to the California Department of Housing and Community Development for further comment and processing. (Citywide)	Emma Roy	emmasroy@gmail.com		The Housing Element as currently proposed does not do nearly enough to affirmatively further fair housing! Once again, west Long Beach is asked to keep up with the growth of our amazing city, while comparatively little is done to encourage new housing in east and especially northeast Long Beach, where incomes and overall access to resources are high. Neighborhood zoning is one of the few areas where the City can move the levers of power when it comes to affordable housing, equity in education and racial reconciliation. Exclusionary zoning needs to be pared back and housing needs to be faster and easier to build outside of downtown. Please make do more in this Housing Element to affirmatively further fair housing before it is adopted!	11/15/2021

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13. (21-1206) Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, and grant an Entertainment Permit with conditions for Entertainment without Dancing to Third Planet, LLC, dba Vine, at 2142 East 4th Street. (District 2)	Karl Estenson	karlcaleb.riffcity@gmail.com		<p>As a local resident of Long Beach, and patron of Vine, it is a cultural cornerstone of Retro Row on 4th street here in Long Beach. It's the only place to have live entertainment on a regular basis and a major draw for people both living in the neighborhood, as well as visiting. They have always been very respectful of the neighborhood and mindful of noise and curfews. I live right down the street and share the alley with Vine and have never had issues with noise levels, quiet hours, or patrons leaving Vine, nor have my immediate neighbors. I hope their Entertainment Permit renewal is granted as it would be a shame to lose something so vital to the identity of our part of Long Beach.</p>	11/16/2021
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15. (21-1208) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend Contract No. 34491 with ABM Aviation, Inc., formerly ABM Parking Services, Inc., of Los Angeles, CA, for airport parking operations and management services, to increase the contract amount by \$1,506,552, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$150,655, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,662,391, and extend the term of the contract through November 30, 2022; and Increase appropriations in the Airport Fund Group in the Airport Department by \$252,302, offset by Airport operating revenue. (District 5)	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com		Publicly-funded parking operations are a fossil fuel subsidy. Imagine how transformative it would be if you spent this \$8 million on public transit improvements instead. By funding this project, you're facilitating carbon emissions. At the very least, you should demand installation of electric vehicle charging in exchange for paying out millions of dollars to induce automotive transportation.	11/12/2021

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<p>18. (21-1104) Recommendation to adopt Plans and Specifications No. R-7183 and award a contract to Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc., of Chino, CA, for the Santa Fe Avenue Traffic Signal Synchronization, in a total amount of \$2,903,298, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$290,330, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,193,628; and, authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into the contract, including any necessary amendments;</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$1,920,197, offset by Proposition C funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) (F7314); and</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$1,920,197, offset by the transfer of Metro Proposition C funds from the Capital Grant Fund. (Districts 1,7)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>Interesting.</p>	11/16/2021

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<p>20. (21-1212) Recommendation to accept and approve categorical exemption no. CE 21-40, and</p> <p>Declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by amending the title of Chapter 8.60, by amending Sections 8.60.010, 8.60.020, 8.60.025, 8.60.060, 8.60.087.5, 8.60.140, 18.67.030, and 18.67.070; and, by adding Sections 8.60.370, 18.67.100, and 21.42.060; all to comply with the State mandated legislation SB 1383, the "Short-Lived Climate Pollutants Reduction Act", read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading. (Citywide)</p>	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com		<p>Dear Councilors,</p> <p>This action is long overdue and City Staff should be admonished for their delay on this project. SB-1383 was signed into law in 2016, five years ago, but it's not until 2021 that you're seeing these compliance ordinances? C'mon now. We're just two months from enforcement and the City still has no plan that satisfies the requirements of this law.</p> <p>Meanwhile, wasted food accounts for about 8% of all greenhouse gas emissions. It's simply unacceptable that Long Beach has dragged its feet for five years while the climate crisis worsens, and we can't even resolve disposing of organics properly.</p> <p>Small decisions and delays like this one are a symptom of a system that does not take climate action seriously. Time and again, we see deadlines slip, fossil fuel purchases approved, and infrastructure investments that lock us into decades more of a wasteful carbon-intensive society.</p> <p>Be better. Demand more. Take climate action seriously at every level.</p>	11/12/2021
<p>28. (21-1233) Recommendation to confirm the City Manager's promulgation of the revised Safer at Home Quarantine Order and revised Public Health Emergency Order for the Control of COVID-19, both issued on November 4, 2021, by the City of Long Beach Health Officer as a regulation. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support.	11/16/2021