

**eComments Report for City Council Meeting Agenda of January 10, 2023**

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<p>11. (23-0031) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a grant agreement, and any necessary documents including any amendments, with the Port of Long Beach (POLB) through the Community Grants Program, to accept and expend grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$121,084, to be used to install solar panels at the Expo Center at 4321 Atlantic Avenue (Project), and execute any documents necessary for the administration of the Project; Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$121,084, offset by POLB grant reimbursement revenues; and Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$121,084 for a technical appropriation to allow for the transfer of POLB funds from the Capital Projects Grants Fund. (District 5)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>Support, granted the following three (3) points.</p> <p>Please note, from the Staff Report:                      "Environmental benefits are quantifiable in this project by calculating the amount of lowered gas emissions generated by solar power generation from electric conversion."</p> <p>Purple prose aside, it would be great to see these benefits quantified! Specifically, what quantities of gas use is offset by the daily, monthly, yearly, etc. operation of these solar panels? These are numbers the public should see from this project.</p> <p>"Solar power generation can also lower electricity bills..."                      Really??!</p> <p>Quantifiable here is the per kilowatt hour price for power generated: How much will the Expo Center be saving, in electricity bill costs, with these panels? Is it just for lighting and plug-in devices, or also for HVAC, cooking, other appliances? If it works for the Expo Center, why can't it work in any Single Family Home in town?</p> <p>Will this project include battery storage?                      ds</p>	1/17/2023
<p>12. (23-0032) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend Contract No. 34903 with Homeboy Recycling, a California social purpose corporation, dba Homeboy Electronics Recycling, of Los Angeles, CA, to provide transportation and disposal services of electronic waste, and extend the term of the contract to March 31, 2023. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support	1/17/2023

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13. (23-0033) Recommendation to receive supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, and find that the Project is exempt from further environmental review and affirm the Planning Commission's determination (Categorical exemption CE 21-156); and, find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15303 (Class 3 - New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures); and Adopt resolution approving a General Plan Amendment (GPA21-004) to change the Land Use Element PlaceType designation of 2600 California Avenue from Open Space (OS) to Neo-Industrial (NI). (District 5)	Anne Proffit			I realize you don't like open space but changing this area from open space to quasi industrial or neo-industrial is simply not a good idea, which is why you'll probably do it anyway. We need MORE open space, not less. And more in that particular area of this city. For once, think of the public and not the money being injected to your banks.	1/17/2023
16. (22-1449) Recommendation to request City Manager to investigate the feasibility of developing a Long Beach Cultural Vision Plan that can serve as a guide in the City's investments in its diverse population, and report back to the City Council in 90 days.	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support	1/17/2023
16. (22-1449) Recommendation to request City Manager to investigate the feasibility of developing a Long Beach Cultural Vision Plan that can serve as a guide in the City's investments in its diverse population, and report back to the City Council in 90 days.	Leslie Smith			I urge the City Council to adopt Agenda Item 16 authorizing the City Manager to investigate the feasibility of developing a Long Beach Cultural Vision Plan.	1/17/2023
19. (23-0039) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to amend the Southeast Resource Recovery Facility (SERRF) Operations and Maintenance Agreement No. 23336 (Agreement) with Covanta Long Beach Renewable Energy Corporation (Covanta), of Long Beach, CA, to adjust the commercial structure such that Covanta will take responsibility for all SERRF revenues and expenses for a contract period beginning February 1, 2023, until the end of the existing contract term of June 30, 2024. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Oppose. The City of Long Beach needs to comply with recent State legislation on SERRF, and solid waste reduction generally. The only RFP that should be considered is for closing or converting the facility. Close this already!	1/17/2023
22. (23-0042) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments, including any amendments to the award amount, with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to accept and expend funding in an amount not to exceed \$6,719,638, for enhancing the public health workforce and infrastructure, for the period of December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2027; and Increase appropriations in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department by \$6,719,638, offset by grant revenue. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support for a nifty five-year workforce development plan - coextensive with when this City of Long Beach should have a much larger, more inclusive one to end oil and gas drilling, transmission, and use. Don't get these next five years back, and come the Olympics, the proof in the pudding won't just be in the air we're breathing, but in the whole world watching.	1/17/2023

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25. (23-0045) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute any necessary documents including subsequent amendments, to accept grant funds from the California Department of Parks and Recreation (California State Parks) in an amount not to exceed \$15,400,000, for capital improvements at El Dorado East Regional, El Dorado Park West, Houghton, and Stearns Parks. (Districts 4,9)	Anne Proffit			Keep pouring BAD money into a great park. Oh, and what about expending some money on the WEST side's parks? Wait, they don't have any because you continue to remove any signals of community from our city. El dorado doesn't need anything more than maintenance; the west side of Long Beach needs parks. Badly. But you'll keep giving to the rich and neglecting the poor. That stinks.	1/17/2023
28. (23-0048) Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by amending Sections 14.15.020, 14.15.030, 14.15.100, 14.15.110, all relating to parklets, read and adopted as read. (Citywide)	Anne Proffit			I don't go to Belmont Shore anymore, since the parklets took away parking, walking space and a feeling of community. The sidewalks are too slim to accommodate large parklets and these things only pay for themselves (pay, now that's a word this clowncil understands) when they're large. Parklets where sidewalks are WIDE work; two entities in my East Village Arts District have applied for them and they work in this area. They specifically DO NOT work in the Shore, where I lived for more than 20 years. Sure, you might miss out on some money for parklets, but quality of life should always come first. Ours, honeys, not necessarily yours. I don't come to your meetings because I have a severe hearing disability and also because I can discern BS quite easily. There's way too much of the latter in this clowncil. Send this back for a third reading for for your own sakes, GET THE PUBLIC INVOLVED. We're the ones affected by your decisions; let us give our opinions, for once.	1/17/2023
29. (23-0018) Recommendation to declare ordinance amending the Long Beach Municipal Code by adding Chapters 18.100, 21.69, and 22.35, to temporarily suspend certain provisions of Titles 18, 21 and 22 during the proclaimed local emergency caused by homelessness, declaring the urgency thereof; read and adopted as read. (Citywide) (Emergency Ordinance No. ORD-23-0001)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Oppose: The changes to Titles 18 and 21 regarding Accessory Dwelling Units, in specific legalization of unpermitted ADUs, is excessively broad. Newly inspected ADUs need to meet basic conditions of habitability, as defined by State law. Prior to "legalizing" unpermitted/new ADUs, the City Council needs to direct Development Services to ensure habitability, safety, and compliance. There currently is already an ADU amnesty program - who knows how well implemented - in this City.	1/17/23

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