

Date: May 16, 2017

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Craig A. Beck, Director of Public Works From:

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: Update on Parking in Coastal Communities Report

The City Council requested the City Manager to provide a report on how other cities with environments similar to Long Beach address coastal parking challenges, as well as review the feasibility of residential parking permit programs and the possibility of residential use of beach parking lots.

City staff has been working with Walker Parking Consultants (Walker) to analyze coastal parking challenges. Walker has spent time reviewing the City's beach parking program to identify inconsistencies and inefficiencies. They are also working to better understand how people are utilizing the beach lots, and what improvements can be made to improve the parking experience.

Walker recently completed a draft Parking Study for Belmont Shore, and is now working on a comparative analysis of how other beach cities address similar parking challenges in the coastal area. The report will include recommendations on rates, hours of operation, realignment of the Long Beach Municipal Code with current best practices, signage improvements, and consistency with the California Coastal Commission policies.

This report is anticipated to be completed May 31, 2017. When complete, staff will provide an update and recommendations to the City Council.

It is important to note that changes to the Beach Lots Parking Program will require approval from both the Zoning Administrator and the California Coastal Commission.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Eric Lopez at (562) 570-5690.

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