

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
BUDGET OVERSIGHT  
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018  
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 3:00 PM**

Stacy Mungo, Chair  
Suzie Price, Vice Chair  
Al Austin, Member




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**FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER (3:23 PM)**

At 3:23 PM, Chair Mungo called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL (3:23 PM)**

**Councilmembers** Mungo, Price and Austin

**Present:**

Also Present: John Gross, Director of Financial Management; Grace Yoon, Interim Assistant Finance Director; Charles Parkin, City Attorney; Richard Anthony, Deputy City Attorney; Jonathan Nagayama, City Clerk Specialist.

**REGULAR AGENDA (3:24 PM)**

1. 18-0809 Recommendation to approve the minutes for the Budget Oversight Committee meeting held Tuesday, August 21, 2018.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Price, seconded by Chair Mungo, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Mungo, Price and Austin

2. 18-0810 Recommendation to receive and file a list of follow-up items from the Budget Hearing and/or BOC meeting.

Grace Yoon, Interim Assistant Finance Director, spoke.

**A motion was made by Chair Mungo, seconded by Member Austin, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Mungo, Price and Austin

3. 18-0811 Recommendation to receive and file the Long Beach Budget Priority Survey results.

Grace Yoon, Interim Assistant Finance Director, spoke; and introduced Geoffery Hall, Assistant to the City Manager.

Geoffrey Hall, Assistant to the City Manager, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Vice Chair Price spoke.

Geoffrey Hall, Assistant to the City Manager, spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Geoffrey Hall, Assistant to the City Manager, spoke.

Grace Yoon, Interim Assistant Finance Director, spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Geoffrey Hall, Assistant to the City Manager, spoke

**A motion was made by Chair Mungo, seconded by Member Austin, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Mungo, Price and Austin

4. 18-0725 Recommendation to receive and file a report by City staff on a strategy to create additional affordable housing and improve prevention and response to homelessness in Long Beach, including current efforts, potential new funding sources, and enhanced approaches to reduce homelessness and improve housing opportunities. (Citywide)

Grace Yoon, Interim Assistant Finance Director, presented the staff report.

Chair Mungo spoke.

Vice Chair Price spoke.

John Gross, Director of Financial Management, spoke.

**A motion was made by Chair Mungo, seconded by Member Austin, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Mungo, Price and Austin

5. 18-0703 Recommendation to forward the Budget Oversight Committee's Fiscal Year 19 Budget recommendations.

Chair Mungo spoke.

Charles Parkin, City Attorney, spoke.

Chair Mungo spoke.

Vice Chair Price spoke.

Tom Modica, Assistant City Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Chair Price and Tom Modica, Assistant City Manager.

Chair Mungo spoke.

Grace Yoon, Interim Assistant Finance Director, spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Chair Mungo spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Councilman Austin and Chair Mungo.

Larry Goodhue spoke.

Omar Cardenas spoke.

Chair Mungo spoke.

Charles Parkin, City Attorney, spoke.

Chair Mungo spoke.

Leanna Noble spoke.

Jorge Rivera spoke.

Christopher Covington spoke.

Makayla Harris spoke.

Hollis Stewart spoke.

Alicia Morales spoke.

Gabby Hernandez spoke.

Cindy De La Cruz Brown spoke.

Noah spoke.

Jonathan Solorzano spoke.

Raman Vasishth spoke.

Councilman Austin spoke.

Chair Mungo spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Councilman Austin and Chair Mungo.

Vice Chair Price spoke.

Chair Mungo spoke.

A motion was made by Chair Mungo, seconded by Member Austin, to approve recommendation, as amended, to:

**[A] Motion to provide following direction to City staff that do not have a fiscal impact. (a) Explore a pilot at McBride Teen Center for workforce programming that prepares our youth for the workforce and explores the possibility of transferring all Teen Centers from Parks and Recreation and Marine Department to Workforce leadership in FY 20. (b) Instruct Parks and Recreation to implement posting park reservations (Active Net) - starting with field reservations, then community rental space by January 1, and all other reservations. (c) Move all median responsibilities from the Parks and Recreation and Marine Department to the Public Works Department including an appropriate structural transfer of budget and positions effective on or before January 1, 2019. (d) Instruct the City Manager to work with Development Services to implement a comprehensive tracking system for code enforcement violations with special attention to Proactive Rental Housing Inspections to better understand the effectiveness of the program. (e) Motion to expand the purpose of the \$200,000 one-time funds in the City Manager's proposed budget for Youth and Children Support to include Senior Programs; the use of this fund is to be proposed and managed by Parks and Recreation and Marine Department and Workforce receiving input on selection of the citywide programming by the Commission on Youth and Families and the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission to be forwarded for approval by the BOC by January 2019. (f) Recommend the Water Commission to work with Public Works Department on finding creative solutions to reduce water usage in the City's medians, and explore collaborations with Metropolitan Water District. (g) Motion for Airport Department to continue to work towards establishing a plane landing viewing area in FY 19. (h) Motion to redistribute the \$250,000 in Special Advertising and Promotions Fund (SAP) one-time funding currently budgeted for one Beach Street event to fund two smaller corridor activations that consider prior activations and success, opportunities for collaboration of**

multiple districts, and interest from the businesses in those areas to be supplemented with Metro grants/funding. (i) Motion for Library to find one-time savings in FY 19 and continue current Sunday Library hours of operation through the end of the 2018 calendar year; and recommend that staff review the potential 7-day library model with stakeholders and present options and alternatives to City Council during this time period and report back to Council on both branch and Main Library options.

[B] Motion to expand the use of Tidelands budgeted overtime currently allocated to Tidelands South Division patrol overtime to include all Tidelands Area at the discretion of the Police Chief and increase appropriation by \$25,000 in the Tidelands Operating Fund for Police overtime.

[C] Motion to reverse and restore the Police Department's downgrade of a Sergeant to a Police Officer, and fund this restoration by reallocating \$25,000 of General Fund budgeted overtime to the Sergeant.

[D] Motion to support Mayor Garcia's proposed budget recommendations with the following adjustments: (a) Use \$315,000 of the General Fund one-time savings from healthcare cost savings to fund the Mayor's General Fund recommendations proportionately. (i) Of the total FY 19 LAP one-time funds, carve out at least \$10,000 for native language signage in communities with the greatest number of non-English speaking residents with the highest priority given to Spanish and Cambodian dialects. (ii) Within the FY 19 LAP one-time funds, a comprehensive study and evaluation of the LAP program shall be conducted with results reported back to City Council before determining FY 20 LAP priorities (b) Use remaining Health care cost savings of \$315,000 for Capital Infrastructure or Existing City Programming, with the programmatic portion not exceed 20 percent per district, to be divided equally between the City Council Districts for District Priorities. Any exception to policy must go to City Council for

approval.

**[E] Motion to modify City Manager’s proposed FY 19 Tidelands Capital Projects to prioritize community-serving projects for this round of Tidelands funding. Decrease the Alamitos Bay Parking Improvements by \$250,000 and defer \$1 million in the Convention Center Arena and Critical Improvements to a later funding cycle. Reallocate these funds to the following projects: (a) \$850,000 for the Alamitos Beach Concession stand bringing the total FY 19 project allocation to \$1.35 million (b) \$150,000 to begin the PD-6 Waterfront Visioning process (c) \$250,000 for the Granada Beach Concession Stand and Playground project.**

**[F] Motion for staff to report back to the BOC with recommendation on year-end priorities, when FY 18 year-end savings are determined after FY 18 fiscal year close, that can include the possible funding of the following items: (a) Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan (b) 7-day library model (c) Elimination of tree stump removal backlog (d) Resources to grow the reserve police officer program (e) \$50,000 of one-time funding to be used to support efforts around affordable housing and homelessness. (f) The remaining 50 percent of the Mayor’s proposals (g) Funds needed for additional library hours.**

**[G] Motion to adopt the City Council’s Financial Policies with amendments as recommended by the BOC on August 14, 2018.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Mungo, Price and Austin**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (4:56 PM)**

Diana Lejins spoke.

Makayla Harris spoke.

**ADJOURNMENT (5:01 PM)**

At 5:01 PM, there being no objection, Chair Mungo declared the meeting adjourned.

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