

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019  
333 W. OCEAN BOULEVARD  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 3:30 PM**

Rex Richardson, Chair  
Stacy Mungo, Vice Chair  
Roberto Uranga, Member



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**FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER (3:33 PM)**

At 3:33 PM, Chair Richardson called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL (3:33 PM)**

**Councilmembers** Uranga, Mungo and Richardson  
**Present:**

Also present: John Keisler, Director of Economic Development; Amy Webber, Deputy City Attorney; Tamela Austin, City Clerk Specialist.

**REGULAR AGENDA (3:33 PM)**

1. 19-0336 Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Economic Development and Finance Committee meeting held Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

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

**Yes:** 3 - Uranga, Mungo and Richardson

2. 19-0337 Recommendation to receive and file a status update on the implementation of the City of Long Beach's Economic Development Blueprint.

John Keisler, Director of Economic Development, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Chair Richardson spoke.

Vice Chair Mungo spoke.

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

**Yes:** 3 - Uranga, Mungo and Richardson

3. 19-0338 Recommendation to receive and file a status update on non-retail type cannabis businesses, and request staff to refer to the City Council within 30 days a report on the feasibility of the creation of a 24-month pilot program to expand the tax base of non-retail cannabis businesses by streamlining processes, adjusting tax rates, and providing incentives.

Chair Richardson spoke.

John Keisler, Director of Economic Development, spoke.

Ajay Kolluri, Cannabis Program Manager, spoke; and provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Chair Richardson spoke.

Ajay Kolluri, Cannabis Program Manager, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between, Chair Richardson, and Ajay Kolluri, Cannabis Program Manager.

Vice Chair Mungo spoke.

Chair Richardson spoke.

Councilmember Uranga spoke.

Chair Richardson spoke.

Stefan Borst-Censullo spoke.

Unidentified man spoke.

Larry Goodhue spoke.

Matt Bell spoke.

Jackie Hernandez spoke.

Vice Chair Mungo spoke.

**A motion was made by Chair Richardson, seconded by Member Uranga, approved recommendation, as amended, to include the tax rates by jurisdiction for all cities in LA County. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Uranga, Mungo and Richardson

**PUBLIC COMMENT (4:09 PM)**

No members of the public addressed the committee.

**ADJOURNMENT (4:09 PM)**

At 4:09 PM, there being no objection, Chair Richardson declared the meeting adjourned.

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