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Subject: \$ 1.5 Million Funding for Health Department

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Hello,

Last week on March 17th while the "Stay in Place Order" was in effect in the Bay Area, the city council voted to spend \$1.5 million of Measure A surplus on artificial turf in El Dorado Park. Let's spend our money wisely while we're in the midst of a pandemic.

Will a council member please put forth a motion to move that surplus of \$1.5 million to the Long Beach Dept of Health and Human Services for Covid-19 related necessities?

There is still much non compliance in the community with regards to controlling the spread of the virus. Many non essential businesses remain open. Small non essential manufacturers in Long Beach (and adjacent communities) continue operation with disregard to the general health of their employees and the health of the community in general. This impacts all of us. Although someone may feel fine, the asymptomatic carrier infects many around them. The consequences are often fatal. Today, LA County reported the first death of a patient under the age of 18.

Citizens want that money used for Covid-19 testing and PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) for the first responders in our community. We also need to monitor compliance of the orders that are now in place.

While the opening of Major League Baseball is postponed this year, citizens look to you to step up to the plate to protect our health. We're all in this together.

Best regards,

Thom O'Hare