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Date: November 17, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilwoman Stacy Mungo Flanigan, Fifth District
Councilmember Daryl Supernaw, Fourth District
Councilmember Roberto Uranga, Seventh District

**Subject: Ensuring Clean-up of Citywide Freeway/Highway Ramps, Underpasses,
and Other Caltrans Easement Areas**

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to direct the City Manager and all appropriate departments to seek approval, access and reimbursement from Caltrans and all other appropriate agencies so that the City can perform needed maintenance and clean-up of these areas in the most efficient, cost effective, and expeditious way possible.

DISCUSSION:

While a report back on the status of neighborhood clean-up programs and right of way maintenance is pending, we need to take steps that enable Long Beach to take care of the areas that are within our City borders but are not City property. We have tried to work with Caltrans and unfortunately repeated requests have not been met with satisfactory response. We understand there is more need than ever and, if necessary, we need to be able to step in for the health and safety of our neighbors.

Homeless encampments and the illegal dumping of trash and debris along easements owned by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) have plagued our City and grown in seriousness for months now. During this time, my office and the City have made numerous attempts get Caltrans crews out to clean these areas but not enough has been done and weeks of growth happen before they are available.

The City of Long Beach is ready and able to clean these areas. We need approved access and reimbursement to do so.

Therefore, I move that in conjunction to, and concurrent with, any report back on neighborhood clean-up programs and right of way maintenance, the Long Beach City Council also directs the City Manager and all appropriate departments to seek approval, access and reimbursement from Caltrans and all other appropriate agencies so that the City can perform needed maintenance and clean-up of these areas in the most efficient, cost effective, and expeditious way possible.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Due to the urgency of this item, no fiscal analysis was conducted.

STATEMENT OF URGENCY

Approval of this recommendation is urgent due to the current state of need of these easement areas with large piles of trash, debris, and other hazardous and toxic materials offering a clear and present danger to resident safety.



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REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date: November 17, 2020

To: Monique De La Garza, City Clerk

From: Councilwoman Stacy Mungo Flanigan, Fifth District
Councilmember Daryl Supernaw, Fourth District
Councilwoman Roberto Uranga, Seventh District

Subject: **Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of November 17, 2020**

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

Ensuring Clean-up of Citywide Freeway/Highway Ramps, Underpasses, and Other Caltrans Easement Areas

Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
Fifth	Stacy Mungo Flanigan	
Fourth	Daryl Supernaw	
Seventh	Roberto Uranga	