



**NB-14**

**Rex Richardson**  
Long Beach City Councilmember, 9th District

**Date:** February 10, 2015  
**To:** Honorable Mayor Robert Garcia and Members of the City Council  
**From:** Councilmember Rex Richardson, Ninth District *RR*  
**Subject:** Development of 9<sup>th</sup> District Open Space Master Plan

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Request the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine to develop a 9<sup>th</sup> District Open Space Master Plan focused on creating more park and green space throughout the district in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Services and the North Long Beach HEAL Zone Initiative.

**DISCUSSION**

In 2012, the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) received a \$1 million, three and a half year Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Zone grant from Kaiser Permanente to promote the public's health in targeted areas of North Long Beach, specifically in the 9<sup>th</sup> District. The HEAL Zones are designed to help make healthy choices accessible to more people in underserved communities, and in turn to prevent diseases such as diabetes and heart disease that often result from obesity.

To address the need for more park space in the 9<sup>th</sup> District, one of the priority activities in the North Long Beach HEAL Zone Community Action Plan is the creation of a district-wide Open Space Master Plan. The development of a formal Open Space Master Plan would enable the City to apply for funding to implement the plan in a targeted manner, and increase the amount of active space within the 9<sup>th</sup> District.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no impact to the General Fund. The Open Space Master Plan will be paid for with HEAL Zone grant funds and District 9 discretionary funds.



**City of Long Beach Memorandum**  
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## REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

**Date:** February 6, 2015  
**To:** Larry Herrera-Cabrera, City Clerk  
**From:** Councilmember Rex Richardson, Ninth District  
**Subject:** Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of Feb. 10, 2015

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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:

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Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
9	CM Richardson	Signature for CM
7	RUBEN C. ARANGO	Signature
2	SUJA LOWENTHAL	Suja Lowenthal