

City of Long Beach Working Together to Serve

Memorandum Councilmember Patrick O'Donnell 4th District

Date:

October 18, 2005

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To:

Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

From:

Patrick O'Donnell, 4th District Councilmember

Subject:

Excess Funds for the Libraries

Recommended Action

Request the City Manager to identify and report back to Council in 30 days on all excess revenues, including the Transient Occupancy Tax, that are deposited into the City's General Fund and to direct those funds to restore Library cuts to hours and materials.

Background

Due to budgetary constraints, funding for our libraries has been limited. Ten of our libraries are now open four days a week and only two are open five. Transient Occupancy Tax and other revenues that flow into the General Fund, and are unencumbered, could be partially used to restore our libraries.