

May 3, 2016

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file a report from the Long Beach Water Department regarding the excellent quality and safety of the drinking water in Long Beach and to assure the citizens of Long Beach that various factors that caused the lead contamination crisis in Flint, Michigan do not exist in our city. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In the past year, there has been extensive national media coverage of the crisis situation in Flint, Michigan whereby several factors resulted in lead contamination in the city's drinking water, causing lead poisoning in thousands of Flint's residents, primarily in children and the elderly.

Councilmember Roberto Uranga reached out to the Long Beach Water Department (LBWD) to request that a report be given to the City Council to provide information on the factors that caused the Flint crisis and how LBWD expertly treats its water supplies to ensure the quality and safety of our local drinking water.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

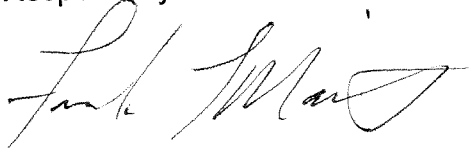
There is no fiscal or local job impact associated with this recommendation.

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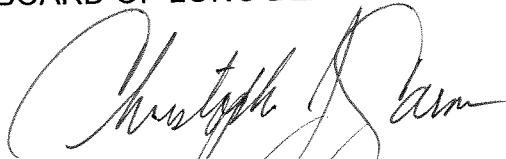
SUGGESTED ACTION

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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FRANK MARTINEZ
PRESIDENT
BOARD OF LONG BEACH WATER COMMISSIONERS

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CHRISTOPHER J. GARNER
GENERAL MANAGER
LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT