

ORD-29 and ORD-30 Correspondence – Joe Weinstein

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Subject: For Feb. 4, 2020 City Council - Items 29 and 30 - contradiction to Charter!

To City Clerk: Please include the following comment in the public record for today's (Feb 4, 2020) Long Beach City Council Meeting

Dear Council members and Mayor:

Besides seconding the comment below by Susan Miller, I call to your attention a more specific and legal difficulty:

The proposed re-zoning from Park contradicts the clear intent of the city's Charter, as voters amended it some years ago.

Park land is to be replaced '2 for 1'.

The common-sense meaning and voters' intent was TIMELY replacement, not eventual theoretical who-cares-when replacement.

(Our lifetimes are finite, and every family - parents and children has only a finite number of years to enjoy a park.

The zone now proposed to be taken is in fact being enjoyed as park.)

Replacement plans should be made clear by the same body and at the same time that there is taking.

CAUTION: Today's proposed ordinances contain no provision for this replacement - no plan - timely or otherwise.

Joe Weinstein