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REVISED

Councilmember Jeannine Pearce

December 6, 2016

Honorable Mayor Robert Garcia and Members Of The City Council
City of Long Beach

RECOMMENDATION:

Request City Manager to report to council in no more than 90 days on the current oil and gas operations conducted in Long Beach. The report shall include but is not limited to exploration, drilling techniques, capping of old wells, storage, pipeline maintenance, and spill or other emergency preparedness.

DISCUSSION:

The protest of the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline by the Standing Rock Sioux has brought the potential negative impacts of oil operations to the forefront of public discussion. Oil exploration and extraction has been happening in the City of Long Beach since oil was discovered in Signal Hill in 1921 and the first well in the harbor drilled in 1939.

With such a long history of oil operations, the city has a wide range of oil infrastructure including the oil islands, tanker loading and unloading systems, oil and petroleum storage, numerous wells and other infrastructure. It is vital that the city maintain its current infrastructure to the highest standards as well as striving to be a leader in new technologies to make operations safer.

Regularly reviewing the status of our oil infrastructure and operations is key to ensuring the city is protecting its residents and environment.

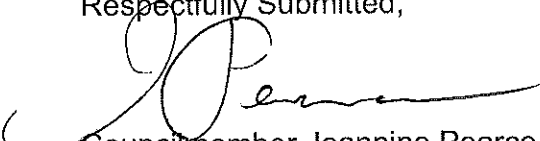
FISCAL IMPACT:

There should be minimal fiscal impact as a result of this report. It is anticipated that this report can be generated internally, without the need for any new staff or consultants.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,


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Councilmember Roberto Uranga
Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez 