



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

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BELMONT SHORE PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA ADVISORY COMMISSION MEMBERS

City of Long Beach
California

REFERENCE: 15-059BS

SUBJECT: Recommendation to receive and file a letter from the Belmont Shore Business Association President regarding the potential impacts to the local business community related to the approval of a City of Long Beach-only increase in the minimum wage mandate.

DISCUSSION

On August 11, 2015 the City Council approved a recommendation to direct the City Manager to request a report from the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) regarding 1) the feasibility of and potential benefits and risks of implementing a citywide minimum wage in Long Beach; 2) proposals for incentives, tax breaks, fee reductions and/or process improvements to assist businesses and non-profit organizations in complying with a higher minimum wage; and to work with the City's Economic Development Commission to take public input and review the study's findings and make recommendations to the City Council.

The Belmont Shore Business Association executive board subsequently approved a letter communicating to the Council District 3 office their concerns about what potential impacts would be felt by the local business community as a result of a significant increase in the current minimum wage.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve recommendation.