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**Sent:** Tuesday, November 17, 2020 12:44 PM

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**Subject:** Continue Item 49 CC Agenda Title 22 Zoning Changes - Community Outreach and Meetings Needed

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear Councilmember Price, Mayor Garcia and Council Colleagues,

These are very complex Zoning changes, and have not been properly explained and discussed with Belmont Shore and 3rd District residents. Effects on parking impacted areas are especially worrisome, in light of the loss of parking taking place because of Accessory Dwelling Unit development and Parklets, which may be continued even after Covid19 restrictions are lifted.

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Sincerely,

Melinda Cotton  
Belmont Shore Resident

**From:** Lynette Ferenczy [mailto:lferenczy62@verizon.net]

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Lynette Ferenczy  
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**Subject:** Agenda Item 49. (20-1109) Recommendation to receive the supporting documentation into the record, conclude the public hearing, and approve EIR addendum EIRA-02-20,

**-EXTERNAL-**

Dear clerk:

This agenda item 49 needs to be tabled for further input from 5th dist residents.

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**Subject:** Agenda item 49 DS - UPLAN Zones Zone Code Amendment - 11/17/20

**-EXTERNAL-**

City Clerk - Please distribute this message to council members, the Mayor, the Planning Commission, and the Head of Development Services

Council members,

RE: Agenda item 49 DS - UPLAN Zones Zone Code Amendment on Council agenda11/

Zoning is a topic that affects real estate values and real estate choices. When you purchase a property, you purchase the zoning.

This agenda item has a staff report that is 325 pages long and appears to be changing how zoning is assigned.

It is a topic of interest to the public as evidenced by the thousands of people that got involved with the LUE.

No outreach meetings have been held anywhere in the city to my knowledge except in the 9th district.

Please reschedule this agenda item to a later date and make the effort to hold meetings with the public.

I know I would like to have guidance in learning about the proposed changes. I imagine others would also.

Respectfully,  
Corliss Lee  
President Eastside Voice

**From:** Carlos Ovalle [mailto:csovalle@gmail.com]

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City Clerk: Please add to the public record.

Re: Agenda item 49 DS - UPLAN Zones Zone Code Amendment - 11/17/20

Mayor, Councilmembers,

Yesterday evening I became aware of this significant zoning change proposed for certain areas of North Long Beach. I am dismayed that a topic of this magnitude did not include ample notification and public workshops for the public.

Significant changes to the municipal code requires input from residents. All of us are affected in one way or another by the massive zoning changes that are being proposed. Please pull this item from the agenda until such time as the residents have had a chance to provide comments.

This is a shame, it leaves me thinking that our elected representatives are not interested in transparency and accountability.

Carlos Ovalle, Architect  
People of Long Beach  
RiverPark Coalition

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Councilmembers,

I am concerned that the City has not provided sufficient time for all residents of Long Beach to really analyze and understand the effects in how zoning is assigned. Zoning changes can help some while not all of us. The choice you should make today should not be about approving or not, it should be about making the right choice and simply requesting that this agenda item be postpone to allow for greater public participation.

The staff report alone is 325 pages long, have all of you read it? What about the general public? The LUE process should have been a wake up call to all of you, that people are interested; however, you must allow them the opportunity to participate, you must open the doors for conversation and dialog. You are there to represent the residents you serve, all 470,000+ of us.

According to the staff report, page 8 of 9: Public Notice and Environmental Compliance

It states as follows:

“The required public hearing notice was provided in accordance with the LBMC. A public hearing notice was published in the Long Beach Press-Telegram on October 30, 2020. Due to the declared state of emergency, there was limited posting of the notice. Notices were not provided to City libraries (they are closed), notice posting was provided at City Hall. The public hearing notice was posted on the Department's website and distributed through the City's LinkLB e-mail blast system. No comments have been received as of the preparation of this report.” The final sentence “No comments have been received...” should be of concern. Either the City did not do its job or the job was designed to actually take advantage, not only of COVID-19 but also of the elections and the dozens of mailers residents of the area received.

I would appreciate learning more of what is contained in those 325 pages, at future workshops, neighborhood meetings, & public comment period.

Respectfully,

Juan E. Ovalle