

Patrick O'Donnell, Chair
Vice Mayor Bonnie Lowenthal, Vice Chair
Tonia Reyes Uranga, Member



FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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ROLL CALL

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Councilmembers Reyes Uranga, B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell
Present:

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1. [07-1388](#) Recommendation to approve the State Legislation Committee minutes for the meeting of Wednesday, August 15, 2007.

Also present: Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs; Mike Arnold, Lobbyist; City Clerk Specialists Gloria Harper and Dina Lopez.

Motion to approve recommendation to receive and file update on Special Session. Moved by Reyes Uranga, seconded by B. Lowenthal.

Yes: 3 - Reyes Uranga, B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell

2. [07-1382](#) Recommendation to receive and file an update from staff on the Special Session.

Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs, provided a brief introduction and then turned the floor over to Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, to provide a more detailed staff report on the Special Sessions, and responded to questions.

Councilwoman Reyes Uranga spoke.

Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, spoke.

A dialogue ensued between Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal; Mike Arnold, Lobbyist; and Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs, spoke.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, spoke.

A dialogue ensued.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

Phil Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, spoke and responded to questions.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

A motion was made by Councilmember Reyes Uranga, seconded by Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal, that this matter be receive and file. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Reyes Uranga, B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell

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3. [07-1383](#)

Recommendation to receive and file an update from staff on the end of the year Legislative Activities.

Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs, provided a brief update on the end of the year legislative activities and introduced Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, to report on more specific activities, and responded to questions.

A dialogue ensued.

Councilwoman Reyes Uranga spoke.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Councilwoman Reyes Uranga left the meeting.

Motion to Approve recommendation to receive and file update from staff on end of the year Legislative Activities. Moved by B. Lowenthal, seconded by O'Donnell.

Yes: 2 - B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell

Absent: 1 - Reyes Uranga

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4. [07-1384](#)

Recommendation to receive and file an update on the 2008 Legislative Agenda development process.

Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs, provided an update on the Legislative Agenda and responded to questions.

Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, spoke.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, spoke.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Motion to approve recommendation to receive and file update on 2008 Legislative Agenda development process. Moved by B. Lowenthal, seconded by O'Donnell.

Yes: 2 - B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell

Absent: 1 - Reyes Uranga

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5. [07-1385](#)

Recommendation to discuss the referral from Council - Single Payer Health Insurance (SB 840).

Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs, provided a brief introduction, and turned the floor over to Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, to provide a staff report, and responded to questions.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

Councilmember S. Lowenthal spoke.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Matt Kinley, Vice President of the Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, spoke.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

**Motion to approve recommendation to support Senate Bill 840 (Kuehl) California Health Insurance Liability Act, and refer back to City Council to request support for Senate Bill 840.
 Moved by B. Lowenthal, seconded by O'Donnell.**

Yes: 2 - B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell

Absent: 1 - Reyes Uranga

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6. [07-1386](#)

Recommendation to discuss the "Three Strikes Law".

Tom Modica, Manager of Government Affairs, spoke.

Mike Arnold, Lobbyist, provided a brief background, and responded to questions.

Harvey Cochran, Long Beach resident, spoke.

Chair O'Donnell spoke.

Motion to approve recommendation to lay over item until legislation has been passed by Sacramento. Moved by B. Lowenthal, seconded by O'Donnell.

Yes: 2 - B. Lowenthal and O'Donnell

Absent: 1 - Reyes Uranga

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

There was no public comment at this time.

8. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:04 P.M., there being no objection, Chair O'Donnell declared the meeting adjourned.