



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

333 West Ocean Boulevard, 6th Floor • Long Beach, CA 90802

August 8, 2006

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Set the schedule for the workshops and hearings on the Fiscal Year 2007 (FY 07) Proposed Budget to hear presentations by the Mayor, City Manager and City Department representatives and to provide an opportunity for all interested persons to be heard regarding the Proposed Budget. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The City Charter requires that the City Manager submit his Proposed Budget for FY 07 to the Mayor on or before August 1, 2006. The City Charter also requires that the Mayor transmit the budget to the City Council along with his recommendations no later than August 15, 2006. The following schedule is recommended for City Council workshops, public hearings and budget adoption:

DATE	SUBJECT
August 15 Workshop 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor's Budget Recommendations • City Manager's Budget Overview
August 22 Workshop 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Presentations • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations
August 22 Hearing 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Presentations • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations
September 5 Workshop 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Presentations • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations
September 5 Hearing 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Presentations • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations • Possible Budget Adoption
September 12 Workshop (if necessary) 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Presentations (as requested) • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations
September 12 Hearing (if necessary) 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations • Possible Budget Adoption
September 19 Workshop (if necessary) 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Presentations (as requested) • Public Input • City Council Discussion and Recommendations

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September 19 Hearing (if necessary) 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Budget Presentations (as requested)• Public Comment• City Council Discussion and Recommendations• Possible Budget Adoption
September 26 Hearing (if necessary) 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Budget Presentations (as requested)• Public Comment• City Council Discussion and Recommendations• Budget Adoption

Given the importance of public input into the development of the City's budget, staff implemented an aggressive outreach effort to discuss the development of the FY 07 Proposed Budget that included the July 8, 2006 Community Budget Summit IV, preceded by numerous neighborhood and business association presentations and City Commission/Board presentations. A report on community feedback will be presented at the August 15, 2006 Budget Workshop that will convey the written public comments collected at those events.

Budget presentations are primarily intended to present the Budget Oversight Committee recommendations, service and program changes from the current year and to answer questions from the City Council. The hearings will include an opportunity for City Council input, proposed changes and comment from the public.

Should all discussion be completed prior to the end of the September 5, 2006 hearing, the City Council may make its final budget decisions and then amend and/or adopt the Proposed Budget and the related Ordinances and Resolutions for FY 07 at that hearing or at any subsequent hearing.

This letter was reviewed by Assistant City Attorney Heather A. Mahood on June 20, 2006.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Charter Section 1703 requires that the City Council shall hold one or more public hearings before adoption of the budget. Section 1704 states that the City Council shall adopt a budget no later than the end of the current fiscal year (September 30, 2006), or the City Manager's Proposed Budget will be deemed the official budget for FY 07. Accordingly, timely City Council action is requested to meet the requirements noted above.

FISCAL IMPACT

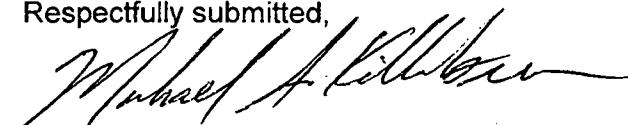
There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

APPROVED:

Respectfully submitted,



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