

## CITY OF LONG BEACH

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**JANUARY 17, 2013** 

BELMONT SHORE PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA COMMISSION MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
California

REFERENCE: 13-004BS

SUBJECT: Recommendation to receive and file the City arborist's report and approve

the tree selection, and/or a recommendation to form an ad hoc sub committee to review the sidewalk and tree repair and replacement project for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in the Belmont Shore Parking and Business Improvement Area, and prepare a report for the commission recommending a plan to

move forward with the project.

## DISCUSSION

As early as April 2010, the Belmont Shore Parking and Business Improvement Area Advisory Commission (BSPBIAAC) requested that City staff work with commissioners to prepare a comprehensive scope of work to address necessary tree and sidewalk repairs in the Belmont Shore business district. In cooperation with the City arborist, City staff and commissioners identified a number of trees that require replacement or root shaving, tree grates and guards that need to be replaced, and sidewalk that needs to be repaired.

At the November 17, 2011 BSPBIAAC meeting the commission approved expenditure not to exceed \$120,000 for the project. In addition, the commission approved planting new Bradford Pear trees with root barriers. Subsequent to that meeting, there have been various material changes to the project including recommendation to plant Crepe Myrtle trees instead of the Bradford Pear trees. It is therefore recommended that the commission consider the following actions:

- 1.) Receive and file the City arborist's report and approve the tree selection; and/or
- 2.) Form an ad hoc sub committee to review the project and make a comprehensive recommendation to the commission in order to move forward with the project.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve recommendation.