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Comment:

BBAC is still not quite ready for that Coastal Development Permit, nor is there enough money to build it.

Additional funds are being requested tonight for:

Design changes to minimize coastal habitat impacts.

Community outreach and public access program.

Sea level rise monitoring and adaptation program

So existing contracts must be increased by \$4,805,845 and \$1,324,840 respectively.

With plans to secure and spend even more,

“Now that the design is refined enough to create donor recognition materials and marketing collateral, a fundraising consultant will be reengaged for the Project to reevaluate the potential to secure private donations and/or sponsors. Simultaneously, the team will continue to explore other available opportunities to bridge the funding gap, including bonding capacity for the Project.”

The Long Beach Area Peace Network opposes this expenditure and any and all efforts to pursue this bloated and doomed project by the City of Long Beach. Throwing good money after bad, throwing logic to the wind, and throwing the community at large under that bus you plan to use to transport all of North Long Beach down to Belmont Shore, this Council has hung the BBAC around its neck like the famed albatross.

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