

City of Long Beach

Office of Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez

Date:

May 5, 2015

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:

Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez, 1st District 49

Councilmember Roberto Uranga, 7th District

Councilmember Rex Richardson, 9th District

Subject:

Updated Report on Cap and Trade

Background:

In early December 2014 the State Legislative Committee received a memo on the City's response to the State's Cap and Trade Program regarding the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Grant Program Comment Letter and Update on Disadvantage Communities.

This memo focused on how some disadvantaged communities in Long Beach would be scored lower based on the Strategic Growth Council's scoring system for Cap and Trade funding. As noted in the memo the program *SB 535* directs at least 25% of all Cap and Trade revenues to projects that benefit "disadvantaged communities" and at least 10% of Cap and Trade revenues must be invested directly into "disadvantaged communities".

This funding is paramount to advancing the needs of disadvantaged communities throughout Long Beach.

Recommendation:

Direct the City Manager to give an updated report on the December 2014 memo, and the process for submitting a grant request, which City projects are being considered, research what other cities and counties are doing, how local community partners are being included, what kind of staff resources and structure are needed for the City to be competitive for the funding, and any other factors pertaining to the "Cap and Trade" program.

Fiscal Impact:

None at this time.

City of Long Beach Memorandum Working Together to Serve

REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

Date:

May 5, 2015

To:

Poonam Davis, Interim City Clerk

From:

Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez Councilmember Roberto Uranga Councilmember Rex Richardson

Subject:

Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of May 5, 2015

Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

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