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2. (21-1126) Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay sum of \$425,000, in full settlement of lawsuit entitled Cristopher Grim, et al. v. City of Long Beach, et al. Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV09064.	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com		Unbelievable that again we settle because of police misconduct. Stop supporting this. Why do we have a city attorney if he outsources everything	11/9/2021
2. (21-1126) Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay sum of \$425,000, in full settlement of lawsuit entitled Cristopher Grim, et al. v. City of Long Beach, et al. Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV09064.	Carlos Ovalle	csovalle@gmail.com		<p>This is yet another in thousands of examples of the pervasive structural racism in Long Beach, not just among the LBPD but the city as a whole, even with Black and Brown councilmembers. This kid and their family deserve a heck of a lot more for a lifetime of trauma... I know because I've experienced it in the flesh. If you had any courage you'd approve the payout without discussion except... to increase it tenfold.</p> <p>This ought to also be the beginning of a bigger discussion: Ending qualified immunity.</p> <p>It also ought to be a resumption of a discussion begun during the George Floyd protests within the farcical "Framework For Reconciliation" but never finished: Defund the police and reallocation of funding.</p>	11/8/2021
3. (21-1127) Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay sum of \$125,000, in full settlement of lawsuit entitled Hanover Insurance Company v. City of Long Beach, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. NC061663.	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com		Seriously? Does the City Attorney do his job?	11/9/2021
7. (21-1131) Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to submit Compromise and Release for approval by the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, and if so approved, authority to pay \$135,000 in compliance with the Appeals Board Order for Heather Rangel.	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com		Keep paying out money because the city is incompetent.	11/9/2021
13. (21-1137) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement with the Public Corporation for the Arts of the City of Long Beach, Inc., a California nonprofit corporation, dba Arts Council for Long Beach, in the amount of \$404,085, to fund arts and cultural activities, for a period of one year. (Citywide)	griselda suarez	griselda.suarez@artslb.org		We want thank Mayor Garcia and Councilmembers for their support in FY22. While the arts suffered more than most industries during the pandemic, it is heartening to know our sector has been seen and recognized for our valuable contributions to the city's economic recovery and to our overall emotional health and wellness. As Long Beach looks to rebuild local communities and recover, arts, culture and creativity will be an essential industry to bringing social cohesion, mental health support and wellness, and positive opportunities for families and youth.	11/9/2021

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15. (21-1139) Recommendation to approve the Magnolia Industrial Group Property and Business Improvement District Annual Report continuing the property assessment for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, automatically extending the current agreement with the Magnolia Industrial Group, Inc., for a one-year period; and, authorize payment of \$1,753 in City property assessments from the General Fund Group in the Public Works Department. (District 1)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Good to see this in the 1st district.	11/9/2021
21. (21-1176) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary documents including subsequent amendments, with Oshkosh Airport Products, LLC, of Oshkosh, WI, for the purchase of an Oshkosh Striker 6x6 crash response vehicle, with required accessories, on the same terms and conditions afforded to Sourcewell (formerly the National Joint Powers Alliance), for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,086,956, inclusive of taxes and fees; and Increase appropriations in the Airport Fund Group in the Airport Department by \$1,086,956, offset by funds available. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		From donations in Item #19, to responsible procurement in Item #20, to reliable contractors as in this Item #21, there is a clear throughline: None of these vehicles are Zero-Emissions-Vehicles (ZEV). Not even close. If these are the segments of the City Fleet that are going to be around for awhile, why isn't this City getting ahead of what our end-goals with climate change are? Does Fleet Services have targets for ZEV adoption? What has been the progress on those targets?	11/9/2021
25. (21-1147) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any necessary documents and subsequent amendments, including amending the award amount, with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, to receive and expend \$524,632, from the Fiscal Year 21 Emergency Solutions Grant Program allocation, and execute subcontracts with Volunteers of America Los Angeles and Interval House, for emergency shelter support and homeless prevention, respectively, from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, with the option to renew for an additional one-year period, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)	Diana Huston	dianahuston@gmail.com		This does not appear to be sufficient funding to address the growing homeless population finding refugee in our parks, riverbeds, streets.	11/8/2021

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29. (21-1151) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary for the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Use Permit No. 17525 with Marina Pacifica, LLC, a California limited liability company, to shift the location of permitted berthing for vessel sales and electric boat rentals in a southeasterly direction, from the northwesterly 330 linear feet of dock to 330 linear feet measured 21 feet, 6 inches northwesterly of Pylon 19 to 11 feet, 3 inches southeasterly of Pylon 11. (District 3)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support. Neat graphic.	11/9/2021
37. (21-1159) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary documents including subsequent amendments, with Gordian Group, Inc., of Greenville, SC, to provide Job Order Contracting program and software support, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, for a period of two years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>I would like to see this City work with Gordian to do a public workshop for practitioners on this software platform, especially as it relates to new Net Zero construction requirements with Title 24.</p> <p>The Oil and Gas department just did a similar such workshop on oil well abandonment and development permitting, which was highly informative, and I think the very capable staff of LBDS would be able to do a great job on a similar such workshop with Gordian.</p> <p>What would it take to make this happen, please?</p>	11/9/2021
38. (21-1160) Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary documents including subsequent amendments, with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., of Redlands, CA, to provide information technology products and services, and software licensing, maintenance and support, in a total annual amount not to exceed \$305,000, for a period of three years. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>Strong support for this item.</p> <p>Would like to see ArcGIS Enterprise platform availability to all staff and departments working on the CAAP goals, including the Public Library, which is notably absent from the staff report.</p> <p>Please consider ways to make essential products and services like this ESRI's more accessible to Students, Faculty, Fellows, and Researchers working on climate change action and adaptation.</p>	11/9/2021
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Michelle Baker	michellebaker199@gmail.com		Why is the Community Hospital now becoming a mental health facility? Will you start charging John Molina rent? why are donors to Robert Garcia given sweetheart deals? Why is Robert Uranga still on the public safety committee after what he did to his dogs?	11/9/2021

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43. (21-1165) Recommendation to request the Climate Action Committee of the City Council to take up a proposal to create a \$5 million Long Beach Youth Climate Corps program and provide recommendations to the Council.	Theresa Marino	surfsudeji@gmail.com		Congratulations Mayor and City Council Members on Long Beach's \$6M allocation from the Governor's Office of Planning and Research. As the Founding Executive Director and the Current Chair of the Board of Directors of the Conservation Corps of Long Beach (CCLB), I am very supportive of Item 43 to create funding for a Youth Climate Corps Program. The CCLB has partnered with the City of Long Beach for 35 years on public works projects, trail building, parks and greening, neighborhood and business districts' cleanups, energy, water conservation, recycling environmental education, stewardship and construction projects to name a few. A Master Agreement is already in place. The Mayor in his letter announcing this State allocation specifically names the CCLB as part of this youth Climate Corps. We have the diverse young adults crews and a waiting list. We are poised and ready to continue the partnership and to work with the City especially w the Pacific Gateway Workforce Development.	11/9/2021
44. (21-1166) Recommendation to increase appropriations in the Special Advertising and Promotion Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$2,500, offset by Second Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide a contribution to the Long Beach Blues Society for the 2021 Long Beach New Blues Festival; Increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$5,730, offset by Second Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide contributions of: \$2,500 to Kahlo Creative LLC to support Long Beach International Tamales Festival 2021; \$2,200 to the International City Theatre to support their 36th Anniversary Celebration; \$500 to Long Beach Food and Beverage to support Long Beach Black Restaurant Week 2022; \$250 to Partners of Parks for the Harvest Festival and Resource Fair on October 30, 2021; \$280 to Pedal Movement to provide Bicycle Valet Services for Fourth Friday on Fourth Street on November 26th, 2021; Decrease appropriations in the Special Advertising and Promotion Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$2,500 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department; and Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support - I used to volunteer for the (old) LB Blues Festival when I was a high schooler in the 1990s. Fun fact: Before the Pyramid was built, when it was still a huge parking lot, Chuck Berry nearly ran me over with his Caddy on the way into the VIP section in 1995 - "sorry little dude, I'm late" !!!	11/9/2021

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<p>49. (21-1171) Recommendation to request City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Long Beach Municipal Code, Chapter 21.67, regarding Inclusionary Housing, to include recommendations proposed herein;</p> <p>Request City Attorney to prepare an ordinance amending Long Beach Municipal Code, Chapter 21.11, regarding No-Net-Loss, to include recommendations proposed herein; and</p> <p>Request City Attorney to prepare a resolution amending the method of establishing an Inclusionary Housing In-Lieu Fee, to include recommendations proposed herein. (Citywide)</p>	Elsa Tung	elsa.m.tung@gmail.com		<p>Long Beach Forward and housing justice advocates deeply appreciate staff's hard work to bring these Inclusionary Housing and No Net Loss amendment recommendations to City Council. We strongly support all 5 of staff's recommendations to advance housing affordability and affordable housing net gain. We urge Council to approve staff's recommendation to request the City Attorney to prepare ordinances to amend the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance and the No Net Loss Ordinance. Thank you.</p> <p>Elsa Tung Long Beach Forward District 7 Resident</p>	11/9/2021
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<p>50. (21-1172) Recommendation to receive and file a report on container stacking and height limit regulations, and approve the City Manager's emergency action to temporarily waive enforcement of Long Beach Municipal Code, Section 21.33.150, for a period of 90 days beginning October 22, 2021, in alignment with the Governor's Executive Order. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		<p>Support.</p>	11/9/2021

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<p>51. (21-1173) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into a Caltrans Utility Agreement and an Amended and Restated Relocation Agreement with the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, for reimbursement of costs to upgrade natural gas delivery facilities relating to the reconstruction of the Schuyler F. Heim Bridge; and</p> <p>Authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into a Collectible Work Agreement with Southern California Gas Company, for costs to upgrade the natural gas delivery facilities in relation to the reconstruction of the Schuyler F. Heim Bridge, for a total amount not to exceed \$3,500,000. (District 1)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Curious	11/9/2021
<p>53. (21-1177) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute contracts, and any necessary documents including subgrants or subsequent amendments, with Family Promise of the South Bay, of Torrance, CA; The Illumination Foundation, of Orange, CA; Mental Health America of Los Angeles, of Long Beach, CA; and People Assisting the Homeless, of Los Angeles, CA, to provide intensive case management services for individuals and families who are matched with Emergency Housing Vouchers through the Long Beach Coordinated Entry System, for a total annual aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,533,320 for a period of one year, with the option to renew for one additional one-year period, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)</p>	Diana Huston	dianahuston@gmail.com		this does not appear to be sufficient funding considering items 51 and 52 on agenda and given the size of long beach homeless population. this explains why so many of the homeless folks are ignored by outreach.	11/8/2021
<p>54. (21-1178) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any necessary documents and subsequent amendments, including amending the amount of the award, with the County of Los Angeles, to receive and expend \$1,531,465, offset by grant revenues from the California Department of Social Services, to address the need to house people experiencing homelessness and to prevent the spread of COVID-19, through June 30, 2023, with the option to renew for one additional one-year period, at the discretion of the City Manager; and</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department by \$1,531,465, offset by grant revenues. (Citywide)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Support	11/9/2021

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<p>55. (21-1179) Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and all necessary documents, subcontracts, and subsequent amendments, including to the award amount, with the State of California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency's Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC), to receive and expend \$8,516,928 from the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 3 Program, Continuum of Care allocation, for the period of November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2026, with the option to renew for one additional five-year period, at the discretion of the City Manager; and</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department by \$8,516,928, offset by grant revenues. (Citywide)</p>	Diana Huston	dianahuston@gmail.com		this is good but still not enough funding considering the duration.	11/8/2021
<p>57. (21-1181) Recommendation to adopt Plans and Specifications No. R-7190 and award a contract to Select Electric, Inc., of Vista, CA, for ten Signalized Intersections on Los Coyotes Diagonal, in the amount of \$1,197,500, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$119,750, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,317,250, and authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter the contract, including subsequent amendments;</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$807,200, offset by Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds from Caltrans (HSIPL-5108(190)); and</p> <p>Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$807,200, offset by transfer of HSIP funds from the Capital Grant Fund. (Districts 4,5)</p>	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Is there a way to cover all the signals on Los Coyotes Blvd, including those with recent pedestrian accidents?	11/9/2021

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58. (21-1182) Recommendation to receive and file a report on the Clean Pathway Community Partnership between the City of Long Beach and Southern California Edison. (Citywide)	Sona Coffee	sonacoffee@gmail.com		The City's sole partnership with SCE, an Investor Owned Utility, is not benefitting our community or meeting the climate crisis. SCE's Pathway to 2045 doesn't provide any plan to get our community to zero emissions. The City needs to call for a 2030 clean energy commitment, as evidenced by the latest IPCC climate report, or at least require SCE to make progress to 100% clean energy by 2035 as Governor Newsom has directed CARB to explore. After over a year of meetings between the City and SCE, we still don't have any concrete plans on how SCE is going to reduce emissions in Long Beach, and the continued reliance on existing programs does not meet the moment we are in. SCE needs to increase their building electrification efforts, and start offering incentives to make real changes in the community, similar to the programs offered by other public utilities to help homeowners and tenants to reduce emissions. If SCE can't offer these programs, the City needs to restart exploration of a CCA.	11/8/2021
58. (21-1182) Recommendation to receive and file a report on the Clean Pathway Community Partnership between the City of Long Beach and Southern California Edison. (Citywide)	Padric Gleason Gonzales	padric.gleason@gmail.com		This Council is not taking climate policy seriously. The draft CAAP plan was released in 2019 and it's STILL not finalized. If climate change is a global emergency, then the 911 call is going unanswered. In addition, SCE is today feeding you a lot of marketing double-talk that doesn't really advance decarbonization at all. And at the same time, they spike their own Green Rate Program by making it difficult for customers to discover and enroll. SCE is a monopoly, so they have an incentive to capture their regulators (including you) and prevent competition. It's clear they've neutered your voice on energy for Long Beach, which is embarrassing to watch. And yet, this Council relied on SCE "expertise" to justify a vote against Community Choice Aggregation, or CCA. There are 23 CCA programs serving more than 11 million customers in California. All we ask is that you honestly engage in a dialogue about whether Long Beach residents should be empowered with the CHOICE to participate in a CCA.	11/4/2021

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63. (21-1191) Recommendation to adopt resolution in support of the establishment of the Law Enforcement Work Inquiry System (LEWIS) Registry, and request City Manager to have the Long Beach Police Department partner with Lewis Registry at the University of Southern California Price Safe Communities Institute, to help in development, pilot and beta testing of a unified national database that documents all officers who were terminated or resigned due to misconduct. (Citywide)	Dave Shukla	dave.shukla@gmail.com		Strong support.	11/9/2021