

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
HELD JANUARY 18, 2022**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Long Beach was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Present were Council Pres. McInnis and Council Members Bendo, Lester, Posterli and Treston.

Corporation Counsel Richard Berrios and City Manager Donna Gayden were also present.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, public attendance was suspended for this meeting. The following notice was posted prior to the meeting:

In light of current health concerns and in accordance with New York State Law Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2022 we are making the following changes for this Council Meeting:

- **Public attendance for this meeting will be suspended.** A live Stream of the meeting will be available on our YouTube channel. Please visit longbeachny.gov/councilmeetings for the link to our YouTube channel.
- Anyone wishing to directly participate in the meeting was provided with a link to the Zoom meeting

City Manager, Donna M. Gayden began her report by introducing Police Commissioner, Ronald J. Walsh to give his update.

Commissioner Walsh began his update by commending Auxiliary Police Officer, Margarita Tamarit for her assistance in a DWI incident. He continued to note how valuable the Auxiliary Police Department is to the City.

Council President McInnis also thanked Auxiliary PO Tamarit on behalf of the City Council and the residents of the community.

Council Vice President Treston acknowledged Auxiliary PO Tamarit for her service.

Ms. Gayden then introduced Mr. John McNally, Director of Public Relations to give his update.

Mr. McNally gave his update on COVID noting that at the present time, 70.9% of the population of Long Beach was fully vaccinated. He added that the available report of positive cases in Long Beach ending the week January 11, 2022 was a total of 944. Mr. McNally also added that it seemed that the numbers were back down from the most recent surge. He announced that thanks to the Mount Sinai/South Nassau Hospital and Town of Hempstead, the Vaxmobile would once again be available on Friday, 1/21/2022 from 10am to 3pm in front of City Hall for vaccinations and boosters. Mr. McNally the announced that the Federal Government was offering free “at-home” COVID test kits per household and shared the information needed to obtain them. He concluded by informing the audience that there would be a City Council Work Session held on Thursday, 1/20/2022 to discuss parking meters for the central business district.

Council Member Lester asked if the free COVID Tests were rapid or PCR tests.

Mr. McNally replied that they were just rapid tests.

Ms. Gayden asked Ms. Roni Kleinman, Executive Director of the Jewish Community Center to give an update on the status of the after-school program at Lido School.

Ms. Kleinman thanked the City Manager for the opportunity to speak. She announced that they received approval from the Office of Children and Family Services and the license to run the after-school program at Lido School and looked forward to a successful year.

Mr. Joe Febrizio, Commissioner of Public Works explained the recent water main break that took place on January 11th at the intersection of Long Beach Blvd. and Shore Road which was an error by the contractor. He commended the Water Department for their excellent response in containing the situation. Mr. Febrizio then addressed the question regarding the overtime cost due to this occurrence and how the city would be compensated.

Council Member Bendo asked about the actual time of the breakage.

Commissioner Febrizio explained the process.

Council President McInnis asked for clarity that this water main break would be cost neutral to the city and the city would recover any incremental costs that would be incurred.

Mr. Febrizio concurred.

The public hearings were held

PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution Granting Waiver of Off-Street Parking Requirements Re: Premises 46 East Park Avenue (third floor), Long Beach, New York.

Re: Tattoo Studio

Ms. Taryn Osie, owner of the Tattoo Studio apologized for missing the original date of the hearing.

Council President McInnis asked about the hours of operation and number of employees.

Ms. Osie replied that this was a private studio, and the hours of operation would be by appointment only. She added that eventually, she would possibly be looking at 4 employees in total.

Council Vice President Treston asked to clarify the location.

Paul Fetcher – Questioned the zoning of the location.

The calendar items were read by the City Clerk

#1 – Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting of December 21, 2021.

Council Member Treston made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Mr. Bendo and was carried by four affirmative votes. Council Member Lester abstained.

#2 – Resolution Granting Waiver of Off-Street Parking Requirements Re: Premises 46 East Park Avenue (third floor), Long Beach, New York.

Re: Tattoo Studio.

Council Member Posterli made a motion to change the location listed in this item from 64 W Park Ave to 46 E Park Ave. It was seconded by Mr. Bendo and was carried unanimously.

#3 – A “Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase Lifeguard Stands from the Sole Responsible Bidder” was taken off the calendar

#4 – A “Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase a Fire Department Ladder Truck” was taken off the calendar

#5 – Resolution Designating a City Council Member to Serve on the Board of Fire Commissioners

Council Member Treston made a motion to add the name of Roy Lester to the item. It was seconded by Ms. Posterli and was carried unanimously.

#6 – Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Motor Vehicles and Traffic, and Vehicles for Hire

This item was for publication only. A Public Hearing will be held at City Hall, 1 West Chester Street, Long Beach, New York, on February 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The voting portion of the meeting was then begun.

Council Member Bendo introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution (as amended), seconded by Ms. Posterli, and it was duly adopted, all five council members present voting in the affirmative.

(RES. #4/22)

Resolution Granting Waiver of Off-Street Parking Requirements Re: Premises 46 East Park Avenue (third floor), Long Beach, New York.

Re: Tattoo Studio.

Council Pres McInnis introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution (as amended), seconded by Ms. Posterli, and it was duly adopted, all five council members present voting in the affirmative.

(RES. #5/22)

Resolution Designating a City Council Member to Serve on the Board of Fire Commissioners

Council Member Lester introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Bendo, and it was duly adopted, all five council members present voting in the affirmative.

(RES. #6/22)

Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Motor Vehicles and Traffic, and Vehicles for Hire

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Bendo made a motion to close the meeting. It was seconded by Pres. McInnis and was duly closed, all five council members present voting in the affirmative.

Dated: January 18, 2022

David W. Fraser
City Clerk

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| Michelle Moser – 215 Parente Lane S | Spoke about issues at the Lido School after care |
| Robin Donovan | Congratulated the Council and spoke about the lifeguard stands |
| William Doepper | Spoke about graffiti on the boardwalk and the cleanliness of the streets |
| Sam Pinto | Congratulated the Council and thanked the CSEA |
| Lisa Spar – 840 Shore Rd | Asked out the platform currently located offshore (Park of the new wind farm project) |
| Kathleen O’Leary | Spoke about the wind farm project |