

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
HELD MARCH 7, 2023**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Long Beach was held on Tuesday March 7, 2023.

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

Corporation Counsel Charles Geiger and Acting City Manager Ronald Walsh were also present.

On behalf of the City Council and the City of Long Beach, Acting City Manager, Ron Walsh presented Anna Fatigati, a member of the Long Beach Auxiliary Police Department, with a citation in recognition of the thousands of hours she dedicated to keeping the city safe over the past 15 years and promoting her to “Captain”. He also noted that she was the first female Captain to be appointed to the department.

Mr. Walsh began his City Manager’s report by informing the public on the Parkland Alienation item that was coming before the Council for discussion and a vote. He noted that it was an administrative procedure that gives the City of Long Beach the permission to make the determination as to what happens on its own land.

The Acting City Manager then began to answer the questions that were posed at the last City Council Meeting regarding:

- Average annual cost to the homeowner for the Haberman settlement
- Overtime
- Mount Sinai property and its appearance (landscaping)
- Critical Infrastructure Project and public presentations
- Water Billing (payments online)

Editors Note: Item #16 was called out of order before the public hearing.

The public hearing was held

PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach
Re: Motor Vehicles and Traffic

Mr. Joseph Lupo, Assistant Corporation Counsel gave a description of the amendment that included a stop-arm bus camera system for school buses. He stated that similar to the redlight camera system, this would allow the city to impose fines and penalties to all those who were found passing a “stopped” school bus.

The calendar items were read by the City Clerk

#1 – Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Motor Vehicles and Traffic

A hearing had been held on this item already.

#2 – Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Master Agreement with BusPatrol America LLC

Mr. Lupo once again gave a full explanation on this resolution which related to the stop-arm bus camera system and how the fines and penalties would be attained.

Councilmember Lester asked about the master agreement.

Mr. Lupo replied to Mr. Lester's question.

Julia Lopez-Motherway (979 Oceanfront) – asked if all the school buses would have the cameras installed.

Mr. Lupo replied that all the buses that the School District owned and operated would have the stop-arm cameras installed.

Mr. Walsh then clarified that these cameras were “external” cameras used to take pictures of vehicles who are passing the “stopped” school buses and were not located inside the buses.

#3 – Resolution, Ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Long Beach Civil Service Employees Association Part-Timer Unit and the City of Long Beach and Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Execute Same

Council President Bendo stated that this agreement would allow part time employees to accrue a certain amount of benefit time (sick time/vacation time) and allow them to be able to buy into the City's dental plan at 100% of the cost.

Councilmember McInnis added that this agreement was reflective of other CSEA contracts on Long Island.

Councilmember Lester also noted that the agreement included two (2) holidays with the benefit time.

Sean O'Neill (CSEA) – thanked the City Council, City Manager and Rich Berrios for supporting the unionization of the part-timers in this contract and asked the Council to vote yes.

James Hodge (95 E Fulton St) – Spoke in favor of the item

Council President Bendo added that this administration had been converting part timers to full timers since they took over.

Councilmember McInnis also clarified that the benefits included both dental and vision at the member's sole cost and expense.

Crystal Lake (206 E Market St) – Spoke in favor of this item.

John Mooney (CSEA) – recognized former Corporation Counsel, Rich Berrios and wished him luck. He then commended the City Council for this new agreement and introduced the President of the Part-Time union members, Mr. Jacobi Thomas.

Jacobi Thomas (CSEA) – expressed his thanks to the City Council members for the new agreement.

#4 – Resolution Authorizing the Approval of a List of Eligible Volunteer Firefighters for 2022 Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) Service Credit.

Fire Commissioner, Joe Miller congratulated Rich Berrios and wished him luck. He described and explained the Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) Service Credit.

Councilmember McInnis asked City Comptroller, Ms. Inna Reznik to confirm that this annual contribution was not funded by past administrations.

Ms. Reznik did confirm and noted that last year, which was the city's fiscal year 2022, the city funded for 2 years of contributions.

Ms. McInnis then asked about the two (2) percent money received from the state every year and asked if it was a funding source that the city could tap into.

Commissioner Miller replied that this would be something the city attorneys would need to look in to, and was not something the Volunteer Fire Department had access to.

Councilmember McInnis also asked about the state insurance board giving money back to the city and if it goes into the city's general fund.

Commissioner Miller replied that the Volunteer Fire Department had never received any of that money, but the exempt organization had. He added that the money goes to the members of the exempt organization.

Fire Chief, Scott Kemins added that there was a section in the City's Charter that covers the 2% money, and believed the city was a pass through for the money. He also noted that the money came from Foreign Insurance companies that wrote fire insurance policies within communities in New York.

Ms. McInnis then asked if the Corporation Counsel department could evaluate and report back on what procedures other fire departments used.

Acting Corporation Counsel, Charles Geiger noted that all fire departments may be different depending on their districts and that since Long Beach was a City, it might be a bit different then everywhere else.

Councilmember McInnis also suggested that it would be a good time to review this policy to see what the best practices are and consider using them in future discussions with the union.

Mr. Geiger replied that the union had nothing to do with this and it was for the volunteers.

Mr. Kemins also noted that the money was for the good and welfare of the volunteers and funded through out-of-state insurance companies.

Ms. McInnis requested an analysis on what other municipalities did, whether they are fire districts or non-fire districts within the tri-state area.

Councilmember Lester agreed with Ms. McInnis's request and stated that part of the money belonged to the paid fire department because it was measured by active members. He added that although they were a small percentage, he believes they are entitled to part of the money.

Council President Bendo suggested that the Corporation Counsel investigate this policy.

The Acting City Manager added that he had already spoke to the Corporation Counsel and asked them to find out how the money was designed and if the city had been adhering to the law. He then asked Mr. Lester to share the information he had with the Corporation Counsel.

James Hodge (95 E Fulton St) – spoke in favor of getting any funding that would benefit the city's volunteers.

#5 – Resolution Authorizing Settlement of an Action Brought by Julia Lopez-Motherway Against the City of Long Beach, et al

Council Pres. Bendo made a motion to strike the language “and damages demands beginning at \$1 million” in the second WHEREAS clause. It was seconded by Mr. Lester and was carried unanimously.

Mr. Geiger noted that this was a matter that had been in litigation for several years and the city could not comment on it until after the City Council voted.

Mr. Lester added that this item was public record and although the city was not going to comment on it, he wanted people to know that they could go online for further information.

James Hodge (95 E Fulton St) – questioned the disclosure of this item.

Councilmember Lester responded to Mr. Hodge's question and noted that even though litigation could not be discussed, he did not want people to think the city was hiding anything from them and stated that there was certain information that could be found on the website.

Julia Lopez-Motherway (979 Oceanfront) – expressed her disapproval of Mr. Lester's comment.

#6 – Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Editors Note: This item was called at the same time as item #19 since they were both related

#7 – Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Council President Bendo explained that this transfer of funds would allow the City Council to engage with a consultant with expertise in launching a City Manager's search.

#8 – Resolution Authorizing the Retention of Consulting Services

Council President Bendo noted that this item was for the actual hiring of the Consultant for a City Manager's search.

#9 – Resolution. Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Amend the Contract for Asphalt Overlay Work at Various Locations Throughout the City

Council Member McInnis made a motion to change the word “lance” to “lane” in the addresses listed in the resolution. It was seconded by Mr. Lester and was carried unanimously.

Mr. Joe Febrizio, Commissioner of Public Works explained that this item was giving the City Manager the authority to exceed the contract roadwork ahead by \$625,000.00 to commence the annual asphalt overlay program in the next two to four weeks. He noted that the money was available in the capital budget.

Councilmember Lester questioned the additional funding for this project.

Mr. Febrizio responded to Mr. Lester’s question.

#10 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Rehabilitation of the High-Pressure Sand Gravel Filters at the Water Purification Plant

Commissioner Febrizio explained how the Contractor was chosen and what the project entailed. He also added that the city did receive a legislative appropriation for this project and the remaining cost was available in the capital budget.

Mr. Lester asked about the cost of the project and the city’s responsibility.

Mr. Febrizio replied to Mr. Lester’s questions.

Council President Bendo noted that the city was being reimbursed for this project.

Commissioner Febrizio noted that the city would be reimbursed for \$1,000,000.00.

Council President Bendo explained that this project was for replacing filters that remove sediments from the drinking water.

Commissioner Febrizio added that these filters were well overdue for replacement.

#11 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Contract for Engineering Services, Inclusive of Alternate Analysis, Recommendation, and Implementation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Water Meters from the Lowest Responsible Bidder

Commissioner Febrizio spoke about the proposals made for this project and answered several Council members questions including cost, design, construction administration and project management. He added that the existing water meters were installed roughly 20 to 25 years ago and are basically beyond their useful life.

#12 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Various T-Shirts and Athletic Apparel with Imprints from the Lowest Responsible Bidders

The Acting City Manager stated that this resolution would allow the city to create a blanket order which estimated the number of T-shirts that the City would purchase throughout the year for various events and camps. He then referred to Commissioner Brand to speak on the pricing of the last bid.

Commissioner Joe Brand noted that the last time this item came up for Council approval, there weren't many bids and the agenda item had failed. He then continued to explain how they proceeded to redo the entire bid. Mr. Brand added that by going through this process, the city saved quite a bit of money.

Council Member Lester asked how many T-shirts were being ordered.

Mr. Brand replied that it would depend on what the shirts were being ordered for and then described the ordering process.

Eileen Hession – questioned the voting on something when there was no definitive price.

The Acting City Manager noted that the price was shown for the cost per item in the backup documentation that the City Council received so that they could have a better understanding on what the city agreed upon for each item.

Council President Bendo also added that the backup documentation could also be found online.

#13 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Miscellaneous General Hardware Items on an “As Needed” Basis

Council Member McInnis made a motion to change the number of bids received listed in the WHEREAS clause from two to three. It was seconded by Ms. Treston and was carried unanimously.

Mr. Walsh explained the purpose for this item.

#14 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Various Vehicles for Various City Departments

The Acting City Manager noted that this item was for 10 different vehicles for various departments. He proceeded to explain the purpose and need for these vehicles and gave the background on the resolution.

Council Member Lester asked about the company “Commander Fleet Corp” that the city was getting the vehicles from. He noted that “Commander Fleet Corp” was not an awarded vendor and wanted to know why the city was using them rather than the other groups the city was buying from.

Mr. Walsh replied that this was off a State Bid, therefore the city would be able to use them as the provider of the vehicles. He added that they outfit the vehicles for the city's specific needs.

Council Member Lester asked about the mini bid system.

The Acting City Manager explained that the mini bid system was used when a vehicle was not available, and Commander Fleet found these vehicles for the city and brought them to the city's attention.

A discussion continued regarding the bidding system and the state contract.

Council Member Lester questioned the maintenance cost of the city's vehicles and questioned why the city needed so many vehicles?

Council Member McInnis thanked Mr. Walsh, Ms. Reznik and Mr. Robinson for taking on this project. She added that she believed that Acting City Manager Walsh was getting a handle on the inventory, determining the needs of the departments moving forward as well as the proper maintenance necessary for the vehicles. Ms. McInnis also added, that moving forward in the next budget process, she would be requesting details by vehicle, for equipment rentals and equipment lease lines in the beginning of the budget process to ensure a better understanding on what vehicles are needed, where they are needed, and that they are funded properly.

James Hodge (95 E Fulton St) – thanked Mr. Lester for asking questions and was in favor of this item.

Eileen Hession – asked about the length of the lease of the vehicles and questioned the options that come with the vehicles, i.e, moon roofs. She questioned the cost of the vehicles and asked how many cars the city owned, and if there was a list that showed how many vehicles are in each department.

Mr. Walsh replied that none of the city vehicles have moon roofs. He then noted that there was a list that is available that shows the number of vehicles by department. Mr. Walsh also noted that he recently conducted a report and gave it to each council member that showed every single car, by department, with the mileage, and the condition of the vehicle. He continued to speak about how he would like to restructure the way the city allocates money for the purchasing of vehicles.

Linda Giles – asked about the purchase of two of the vehicles and what they would be used for.

Acting City Manager, Walsh replied that one was being used for Street Maintenance and one was for Water Administration. He also added that both these vehicles were dump trucks that would be used for a variety of different requirements, such as debris collection, and they were replacing vehicles that outlived their useful life.

Jim Kirkin – asked if all the city vehicles were leased.

Mr. Walsh replied that they were not, and the new vehicles would be the last vehicles the city leased, since it's no longer less expensive to lease a vehicle rather than put them into the capital project and bond for it.

A discussion continued regarding mileage accumulation and the insurance policy for the vehicles.

#15 – Resolution. Authorizing a Salary Increase And Corresponding Personnel Action.

Council President Bendo explained the reason and purpose for the salary increase. He noted that the city's Director of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) had resigned, and Mr. Walsh would be taking on those responsibilities for \$17,000.00.

James Hodge (95 E Fulton St) – asked about the prior OEM Director's salary.

Ms. McInnis replied that she believed it was \$65,000.00.

Mr. Hodge thanked the City for saving \$48,000.00.

Norah Egan (340 E Chester St) – asked if this was a temporary position as Director of OEM. She expressed her concern that the Acting City Manager/Police Commissioner was taking on too much.

Acting City Manager, Walsh noted that in many instances, in many Public Safety places, the OEM was part of the Police Department, and it was unusual for it not to be since both roles were synergistic.

#16 – Requesting the State of New York for the Authority to Discontinue the Use as Parkland of a Portion of Ocean Beach Park and Alienate the Lands Described, and to Convey Property Interests in Such Lands to EW Offshore Transport Corporation

Editors Note: Item #16 was called out of order before the public hearing.

Assistant Corporation Counsel, Joseph Lupo reiterated what the Acting City Manager said in his City Manager's report.

Council Pres. Bendo made a motion to add the sheet containing EXHIBIT A to the end of the item. It was seconded by Ms. Treston and was carried unanimously.

Editor's Note: Due to a printing error the sheet containing EXHIBIT A was originally left out of the item in the agenda.

Crystal Lake (206 E Market St) – asked about the entrance and exit of the wire connections for this project. She also agreed that the City should have control over the decision making. Ms. Lake noted that there could be environmental concerns that should be considered, and public meetings should be held.

Mr. Lupo gave an explanation on the route in where the electrical conduits would be placed.

Mr. Walsh expressed the importance of this request and that the community should get what is a fair and just price for allowing this project to take place. He also noted that there would be discussions with Equinor and the city's Consultants regarding the city's needs and concerns.

Council President Bendo then announced that there were two public sessions scheduled via Webex where the public could make comments.

David Shokrian (350 E Penn St) – asked about the location of where the wires would be placed and expressed his concern about having a study performed before beginning the work.

Mr. Walsh explained that the actual chamber would start approximately three (3) feet below the surface. The Acting City Manager also stated that the first step would be for the city to maintain control of the project and then conduct public sessions to address all resident concerns.

Council Member Lester noted that he knew of a lot of studies that had been done on electrical magnetic fields and wires. He also added that these wires would be encased in concrete and there wouldn't be a study on the actual wire until it was installed.

Council President Bendo stated that all the paperwork that the company had to submit, including the environmental studies, could be found on the Empire Wind website.

Mr. John McNally, Director of Public Relations also added that those particular studies included what the cables could emit in terms of magnetic fields.

Council President Bendo then read an excerpt from the Guide from the Public Service Commission on the Article 7 process which is the routing of the transmission lines. He then reminded the audience that this agenda item was about giving the city control in the process.

Council Member McInnis suggested that an email address be created under the city's website for folks to email questions and have them circulated to the entire City Council so that the Council could educate themselves on the entire process.

Mr. Walsh noted that he would ask the Information Technology department to create an email address for that purpose.

Tim Kramer (361 E Broadway) –expressed his concerns about the amount of voltage and the lack of experience by Equinor regarding running cables through a dense community like Long Beach. He then read a prepared statement that included his concerns regarding the manufacturing outside of the United States for the materials necessary to complete the work.

Council President Bendo stated that at this time, this type of industry did not exist in the United States and existed entirely in Europe. He added that he believed Equinor was trying to establish an offshore wind industry here in the United States.

James Hodge (95 E Fulton St) – expressed his concern regarding the lack of information being shared with the public. He suggested asking the company to come and present to the public.

Council Member McInnis reminded Mr. Hodge that this item was specifically to vote to have the control and opportunity to determine the city's future.

Susan Lienau (Community Engagement Manager with Equinor) – stated that since September, Equinor had three public meetings and several other community engagements.

Mr. Walsh asked Ms. Lienau what type of outreach and communications Equinor had designed for future public hearings.

Ms. Lienau replied that Equinor had a robust public engagement program in place and that they did plan on holding various community meetings. Ms. Lienau noted that folks could sign up at their website to receive the Equinor newsletter and suggested the city share that information.

The Acting City Manager noted that a link would be added to the city's website.

Kevin Martinsen (311 E Penn St) – expressed his concern about the lack of information shared with the residents and the lack of trust in Equinor. He continued to express his opposition of the project and questioned the \$65,000.00 that was being requested.

Council President Bendo explained the purpose for the request of \$65,000.00. He clarified that the money would come from the company and put into an intervener fund to enable the city to hire its own technical and legal experts on this issue.

Christina Kramer (361 E Broadway) – questioned the receipt of the intervener funds. She continued to express her disappointment about the lack of information shared with the residents and her opposition to the Equinor project.

Mr. Walsh responded with an apology for not following through with a request to have a memorandum written by the corporation counsel and put up on the website for public information.

Bill Philips (61 Oregon St) – asked for clarity on how much authority the council would have to stop the project, or was this project happening anyway.

Council President Bendo replied that if the city tried to stop it, the State could override the decision. He also added that there were several other offshore wind projects being planned around Long Island. Mr. Bendo also noted that where the wires run had not been decided at this time, and he encouraged everyone to submit written comments to the Public Service Commission.

Mr. Philips concluded with the suggestion that the council and residents join together to try and figure everything out.

Mike Jacobson – expressed his concern and opposition of the project and urged the council to reject the program.

Kevin Sime (10 Monroe Blvd) – suggested other areas to run the wires.

Richard Shurin (Island Park, NY) – wanted the audience to know that there would be settlement conferences taking place with all parties involved where the issues would be discussed and decisions would be made on the route selection. He added that the council needs to convince the state that the route that has been selected is not the appropriate route, and that it will be a tough battle because he did not believe that the council would have the right to dictate where the route is selected. Mr. Shurin concluded by letting the council know that the Island Park Civic Association had held public meetings that had been well attended, and there was one coming up on March 30, 2023 and invited everyone to attend.

Ron Paganini (62 Harmon St) – spoke in opposition to the project.

Eric Lind (21 Arizona Ave) – spoke in opposition to the project and asked the council what plans they had to stop the progression of the project.

Council President Bendo noted that once the city had access to the intervener funds, legal and technical experts in this field would be hired to assist the council in the decision making process.

Casey Petrashek (NY League of Conservation Voters) – spoke about Offshore wind and the positive outcomes it could provide.

Adrienne Esposito (Citizens Campaign for the Environment) – clarified that the purpose of the agenda item was to be the voice of the Long Beach residents and urged the council to vote yes.

Amber Goodridge (35 E Walnut St) – asked for clarity on the resolution.

Council President Bendo responded to Ms. Goodridge's questions and explained the difference between voting yes or no on the resolution (Parkland alienation).

Assistant Corporation Counsel, Joseph Lupo added to the explanation.

Tracy Flynn (517 W Walnut St) – asked when the council would know whether or not they have been granted control over the process.

Council President Bendo replied that the State could overrule the city at any time. He added that what the council was telling the State is that it wants to have as much control as possible over the process and be part of the upcoming settlement conferences, etc.

A discussion continued regarding the timeline and procedures involved and it was concluded that an answer could be available by May or June.

Noel Donohue (Shore Rd) – asked the Council what their intentions were moving forward and if they had any intentions of opposing this project. She continued to express her opposition for the wind farm project.

Council Member Lester replied that there was so much more information that had not been disclosed yet.

Rob McWilliams – expressed his opposition to the project. He gave several examples of why this project should not take place.

Terry Radder – expressed her opposition to the project.

Glorianna ? – asked about the offshore substation.

Council President Bendo suggested she speak with the representatives of Equinor.

Jim Kirklin – mentioned a corridor off the end of Riverside Blvd. and if that was the reason they were picking that spot to land.

Mr. Walsh replied that the city did not determine the path but it wants a say in whether or not they get to go across our Parkland.

#17 – Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Special Events

A Public Hearing will be held at City Hall, 1 West Chester Street, Long Beach, New York, on March 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

#18 – Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings of February 21, 2023

Council Member Lester made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Ms. Treston and was approved unanimously.

ADDED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

#19 - Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Equipment to Hardwire Beach Ticket Booths for Ocean Beach Park

Mr. Walsh explained that this item had to do with the wiring and necessary equipment to bring power to the ocean beach park so that the city could accept credit cards for the purchase of daily beach passes.

Council Member Posterli asked that as the city moved towards the cashless operation, something be built into the system as an alternative for those people who might not have access to this option.

The Acting City Manager replied that there would be a location set up for those who want to pay cash for a beach pass.

Ms. McInnis asked Mr. Walsh to clarify that the city would be applying for reimbursement for these funds from the New York State Financial Restructuring Board.

Mr. Walsh noted that the monies for this project was included in the city's request to the state for funding and it will be a reimbursable expense.

The voting portion of the meeting was then begun.

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

(ORD. #3071/23)

Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Motor Vehicles and Traffic

Council Member McInnis introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Posterli, and it was duly adopted by four affirmative votes. Council Member Lester abstained.

(RES. #38/23)

Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Master Agreement with BusPatrol America LLC

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

(RES. #39/23)

Resolution Ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Long Beach Civil Service Employees Association Part-Timer Unit and the City of Long Beach and Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Execute Same

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

(RES. #40/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Approval of a List of Eligible Volunteer Firefighters for 2022 Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) Service Credit

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

(RES. #41/23)

Resolution Authorizing Settlement of an Action Brought by Julia Lopez-Motherway Against the City of Long Beach, et al

Council Member McInnis introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Pres. Bendo, and it was duly adopted by four affirmative votes. Council Member Lester Voted No.

(RES. #42/23)

Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

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

(RES. #43/23)

Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

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

(RES. #44/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Retention of Consulting Services

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

(RES. #45/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Amend the Contract for Asphalt Overlay Work at Various Locations Throughout the City

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

(RES. #46/22)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Rehabilitation of the High Pressure Sand Gravel Filters at the Water Purification Plant

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

(RES. #47/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Contract for Engineering Services, Inclusive of Alternate Analysis, Recommendation, and Implementation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Water Meters from the Lowest Responsible Bidder

Council Member McInnis introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Pres. Bendo, and it was duly adopted by four affirmative votes. Council Member Lester Voted No.

(RES. #48/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Various T-Shirts and Athletic Apparel with Imprints from the Lowest Responsible Bidders

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

(RES. #49/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Miscellaneous General Hardware Items on an "As Needed" Basis

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

(RES. #50/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Various Vehicles for Various City Departments

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

(RES. #51/23)

Resolution Authorizing a Salary Increase And Corresponding Personnel Action.

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

(RES. #52/23)

Resolution Requesting the State of New York for the Authority to Discontinue the Use as Parkland of a Portion of Ocean Beach Park and Alienate the Lands Described, and to Convey Property Interests in Such Lands to EW Offshore Transport Corporation

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

(RES. #53/22)

Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Special Events

Council Member Treston introduced and moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Ms. McInnis, and it was duly adopted by four affirmative votes. Council Member Lester Voted No.

(RES. #54/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Purchase Various T-Shirts and Athletic Apparel with Imprints from the Lowest Responsible Bidders

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

Dated: January 3, 2023

David W. Fraser
City Clerk

Good and Welfare

Ron Paganini – 62 Harmon St
Crystal Lake – 206 E Market St

Spoke about fiscal issues

Spoke about the North Shore Infrastructure Project, the Governor's new housing plan, and the Equinor wind farm project

James Hodge – 95 E Fulton St

Congratulated Capt. Anna Fatagati for the LBAPD and spoke about OEM

Norah Egan – 340 E Chester St

Spoke about the ethics board, traffic at the intersection of Long Beach Blvd and Park Ave and the new LIRR schedules

Eileen Hession

Spoke on various items