

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
HELD JUNE 7, 2022**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Long Beach was held on Tuesday, June 7, 2022.

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

Corporation Counsel Richard Berrios and Acting City Manager Inna Reznik were also present.

Council President McInnis opened the meeting commending the community and staff on a successful centennial celebration. She also congratulated newly appointed Chief and Assistant Chiefs of the Fire Department.

Acting City Manager, Inna Reznik spoke about the Moody's city upgrade. She then asked, Fire Commissioner, Joe Miller to give his update.

Commissioner Miller spoke about an incident where members of the fire department responded to a serious accident and managed and successfully aided the patient.

Council Vice President Treston noted their professionalism and expertise.

Ms. Reznik then asked Commissioner of Public Works, Joe Febrizio to give his update.

Commissioner Febrizio announced that the paving of National Blvd. had been completed and noted that the lighting would be installed in July. He also spoke about the success of the drainage project. Mr. Febrizio also mentioned the completion of paving Park Avenue from New York Avenue to Nevada Street. He commended Brooke Anderson of Public Works for her assistance and added that these projects were all paid for by grant money.

Commissioner of Parks and Recreation, Joe Brand spoke about the temporary closing of the Ice Arena. He continued to describe the work being performed.

Council President McInnis asked when the Ice Arena would be re-opening.

Mr. Brand noted that it would be opened before the busy season.

Ms. Reznik then asked Police Commissioner, Ron Walsh to give his update.

Commissioner Walsh noted some incidents that took place in the past few weeks and spoke about boardwalk safety and security.

Council Member Posterli asked about the installation of the boardwalk cameras.

Mr. Walsh gave an update and an estimated timeframe on the installation of the cameras.

Council Member Bendo asked if the people involved in the incidents, were local youth.

Commissioner Walsh noted that it was local people causing the disturbances. He also spoke about how important it was to call 911 when anyone witnesses anything happening.

Council Member Lester asked if there were signs indicating that there were surveillance cameras present.

Mr. Walsh noted that he was not aware of any signs. He also spoke about the pros and cons of such signage.

### **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

Corporation Counsel, Rich Berrios spoke about how angled parking spaces were unsafe and that he and Commissioner Walsh agreed that all vehicles should be head in parking only.

Council Member Lester asked about the penalty and fines involved.

Mr. Berrios touched upon the code regarding this violation.

A discussion continued regarding violations and fines.

Linda Giles – asked if there would be signs for parking.

Commissioner Walsh noted that signs had been ordered.

Johanna Sofield (535 Grand Blvd) – Was speaking on the wrong item. Was advised to sign up for good and welfare.

### **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 Settlement of Certiorari Proceedings.

Tax Assessor, Ray Flammer spoke about the settlements involved.

Council Member Lester asked about how much the properties were worth and what they were worth prior to the settlement.

Mr. Flammer responded that this question would have to be discussed in Executive Session since it was still pending litigation.

Council Vice President Treston asked Mr. Flammer to give a brief background on the certiorari proceedings process.

Mr. Flammer explained the procedure of Certiorari proceedings.

#3 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Retain the Services of CDM Smith.

Commissioner Febrizio explained the purpose for retaining CDM Smith. He noted that they would perform an engineering assessment for one of the locations involved in the certiorari settlement.

Council Member Lester asked questions about the location of Well #15.

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

Director of Operations, Tommy Canner added his input regarding this location.

Council Member Bendo asked if there were remnants of the old water purification plant at this location.

Commissioner Febrizio noted that according to the prints he had from the 1950's, it appeared that there could be. He also suggested getting a professional evaluation of this site and what the cost would be.

#4 – Resolution Establishing Base Proportions in Accordance with Provisions of Article 19 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Mr. Flammer noted that this was the city's annual legislation to cap the base proportions at 1%.

Council Member Lester asked what the numbers were last year.

The Tax Assessor gave the numbers from last year and an explanation of the shift in numbers between homestead and non-homestead properties.

#5 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement for Engineering Services in Conjunction with the Resilient Connectivity for Park Avenue Project-Phase I & II.

Commissioner Febrizio gave a brief background of the project and described the proposal process which included a cost breakdown.

Council President McInnis asked that the planning advisory board be involved in the process.

#6 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement for the Installation of New Air Conditioning/Heat Pump Split Units in the Ice Arena on the Second Floor.

Mr. Febrizio gave a brief background of the project and explained the need for this agreement.

Ms. McInnis asked if the cost of this project was reimbursable.

Commissioner Febrizio replied that it was not, but there was money available in the capital budget and was confirmed with bond counsel that this money could be used for this purpose since its related to the Ice Arena.

Council Member Lester asked about the guarantee on the air conditioning compressor.

Mr. Febrizio noted the terms of the guarantee.

Mr. Canner added that he did not recommend an extended warranty since all the work is performed in-house.

#7 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase Five (5) Tablet Chlorinators with a Feeding System for the Water Purification Plant.

Commissioner Febrizio gave a brief background and explained the need for this purchase. He added that funding was available in the capital budget and spoke about the extended warranty.

Council President McInnis expressed her concern about other major items within the city and their useful life and suggested those items be part of the capital plan.

Mr. Febrizio noted that it was his intention to help make the process more functional and easier to display.

#8 – Resolution Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of Physical Access Controls for the City's Police Department Headquarters through a New York State Office of General Services Contract.

Commissioner Walsh spoke about the importance of this purchase for security reasons.

Council President McInnis asked if this would be a one-time cost with an ongoing maintenance feature.

Mr. Walsh described the contents of the contract and spoke about how maintenance would be managed.

#9 – Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Ten Routers and Antennas for the City's Police Patrol Vehicles through a New York State Office of General Services Contract.

Commissioner Walsh spoke about the need for this purchase and that all the existing equipment had reached its useful life.

Council Member Lester asked how old the existing equipment was.

Mr. Walsh replied anywhere between 5 and 8 years old.

#10 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Towing and Storage of Vehicles from Locations Within the City of Long Beach.

Commissioner Walsh spoke about the city's current towing procedure vs. the new contract.

Council Member Lester asked about the towing fees.

Mr. Walsh explained how the fees were processed.

Mr. Lester also asked about the towing locations.

Commissioner Walsh spoke about the locations specific to Long Beach towed vehicles.

Council President McInnis asked about the revenue portion of the new towing model.

Mr. Walsh explained how the charges were collected.

Council member Bendo made a motion to strike the second RESOLVED clause and to change the remaining RESOLVED clause to read “RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Long Beach, New York, that the City Manager be and he hereby is authorized to enter into a contract with All County Hook-Up Towing, Inc., 66 East Merrick Road, Freeport, New York 11520 for the towing and storage of vehicles from locations within the City of Long Beach, for a payment of \$225.00 per tow, for a term of up to three (3) years, with an option for two (2) extensions of up to three (3) years each, at the sole discretion of the City **and subject to the approval of the City Council**, with all unit prices remaining in effect for the extension of the contract”. It was seconded by Ms. Posterli and was carried unanimously.

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

Ms. Reznik explained that this transfer of funds was for a personnel reassignment from the Building Department to Youth and Family Services.

#12 – Resolution Authorizing and Adopting Post Issuance Compliance Policies and Procedures Related to the City’s Tax-Exempt Obligations, Such Policies and Procedures Intended to Ensure that the Requirements Imposed Upon the City of Long Beach, Pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as Amended, Will be Satisfied.

The City Comptroller explained the purpose and importance for adopting these policies.

#13 – Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Long Beach Re: Ocean Beach Park.

A Public Hearing will be held at City Hall, 1 West Chester Street, Long Beach, New York, on June 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

#14 – Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of an Ordinance Authorizing Financing of the Cost of the Acquisition and Installation of Water Meters for the City, Appropriating \$666,667 for Such Purpose and Authorizing the Issuance of Up to \$666,667 Bonds to Finance Said Appropriation.

A Public Hearing will be held at City Hall, 1 West Chester Street, Long Beach, New York, on June 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

#15 – Resolution Authorizing Publication of a Notice of Public Hearing of an Application to Waive the Off-Street Parking Requirements for Premises: 1050 West Beech Street (street floor), Long Beach, New York.

Re: Beach Themed Apparel, Jewelry and Accessories Store with Arts & Crafts Classes.

A Public Hearing will be held at City Hall, 1 West Chester Street, Long Beach, New York, on June 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

#16 – Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting of May 3, 2022

Council Pres. McInnis made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Mr. Lester and was carried unanimously.

#17 – Resolution Declaring the City Council of the City of Long Beach Lead Agency for Updating its Zoning Map, Amending its Zoning Code, Declaring said Project to Constitute an Unlisted Action, and Authorizing the City’s Consultant to Complete the Required Environmental Review

Corporation Counsel, Rich Berrios explained the purpose for this resolution.

**The voting portion of the meeting was then begun.**

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

(ORD. #3062/22)

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

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

(RES. #78/22)

Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Certiorari Proceedings.

Council Member Treston 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. #79/22)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Retain the Services of CDM Smith.

Council Pres. 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. #80/22)

Resolution Establishing Base Proportions in Accordance with Provisions of Article 19 of the Real Property Tax Law.

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

(RES. #81/22)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement for Engineering Services in Conjunction with the Resilient Connectivity for Park Avenue Project-Phase I & II.

Council Member Bendo 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.

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(RES. #84/22)

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Council Member 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. #85/22)

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Ten Routers and Antennas for the City's Police Patrol Vehicles through a New York State Office of General Services Contract.

Council Pres. 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. #86/22)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Towing and Storage of Vehicles from Locations Within the City of Long Beach.

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

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

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Council Pres. McInnis made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the employment history of an individual. It was seconded by Ms. Treston and was carried unanimously.

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

Dated: June 8, 2022

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David W. Fraser  
City Clerk

**Good and Welfare**

Nate Epstien	Spoke about the MLK Center
Michael Lawry – 25 Minnesota Ave	Spoke about the MLK Center
Andrew Bertodati – 111 Delaware Ave	Spoke about the MLK Center
Eileen Hession – 516 W Beech St	Thanked the Police Department for a swift response to an issue, and spoke about an article on Long Beach in the Long Island Business News, banners for the centennial celebration, bathrooms on the beach, the HALB and Air China buildings and the proposed twilight beach pass
Johanna Sofield – 535 Grand Blvd	Spoke about the toys for Tots drive in memory of Lazar LaPenna, police issues and asked for the impounding of motorcycles on the boardwalk
Mike Axelson – 145 Cleveland Ave	Spoke about booting fees