

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
HELD JULY 5, 2022**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Long Beach was held on Tuesday, July 5, 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.

Council President McInnis updated the audience on some of the events that the City Council attended since the last meeting.

City Manager, Donna M. Gayden asked Mr. John McNally, Director of Public relations to begin his presentation.

Mr. McNally began his presentation and introduced some of the new ways to navigate some of the events and projects going on in the city during the summer months.

Ms. Gayden then asked Commissioner Joe Brand from Parks and Recreation to give his update.

Mr. Brand gave his beach park update and included hope for good weather conditions for a positive projection of revenue for fiscal year 2023.

Council Member Lester asked about the results of revenue for the July 4th holiday weekend.

The City Manager then asked Police Commissioner Ron Walsh to give his update.

Commissioner Walsh spoke about the policing that took place over the July 4th holiday weekend. He also spoke about the summonses issued over the weekend. Commissioner Walsh noted that there will be more police presence at the upcoming fireworks display.

Council Vice President Treston asked about the available transportation for the fireworks display.

Ms. Gayden explained that since there would be no concert, people would not need transportation to the event, and they could go to their beaches to see the fireworks display.

The calendar items were read by the City Clerk

#1 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase a Sanitation Truck for the City Under a Sourcewell Contract

Director of Operations, Tommy Canner commended Commissioner Walsh on the noticeable change in the decline of motor vehicles on the boardwalk. He then spoke about the leasing of a sanitation truck for the beach park and boardwalk garbage.

Council Member Bendo spoke but (was not speaking into the microphone).

Mr. Canner responded to Mr. Bendo's question stating that he had an updated quote for the truck that would be good until the end of the month.

Mr. Bendo asked if the truck was readily available or would there be a waiting period.

Mr. Canner noted since there is a specialty piece of equipment that is part of the truck, there would be a waiting period. He added that it could take a standard 6 to 9 months but it would be ready for next season.

Council Member Lester asked about the weight of the truck.

Mr. Canner noted that it weighed 14,000 lbs. and it would not physically be put on the boardwalk. He explained that the truck would drive to the end of the street and the garbage would be emptied there.

Mr. Lester asked about the bid process for this lease relating to "Source Well".

Corporation Counsel, Rich Berrios explained how the procurement process works with "Source Well".

Beth Parise – asked for clarification on whether this was a purchase or a lease.

Mr. Canner explained the process of leasing vs. purchasing and noted that this item was a lease.

The City Manager added that at the end of the lease, the city would still own the truck.

#2 – A "Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement for the Performing of Fire Safety Services" was tabled.

Director of Operations, Tommy Canner explained the reason and purpose of entering into this agreement.

Council Member Bendo made a motion to add the wording "and subject to the City Council's approval" after the wording "with two subsequent one year renewals upon mutual and written agreement between the parties" in the RESOLVED clause. It was seconded by Pres. McInnis and was carried unanimously.

Council Member Bendo also asked why the tenants weren't doing their own vent hood cleaning.

Mr. Canner noted that this has been done traditionally in the city owned buildings. He added that he would support the decision to have the tenants pay for this service.

Council Member Posterli asked if Mr. Canner could get a cost estimate for this cleaning service.

Council Member Lester noted that the city did not have anyone trained to perform this type of service.

Ms. Gayden agreed and added that she had spoken with Commissioner Miller about this and was told that the people who perform these services have specific certifications, and presently, there

is nobody on staff who have these certifications. She also noted that she would speak with Corporation Counsel on the possibility of adding the cost for this service in future agreements.

Council Member Bendo questioned how this service performed by Fire Command is verified.

Mr. Canner explained the process and procedure on how these services are completed and reported.

Mr. Bendo addressed the Corporation Counsel noting that there could be a possible conflict of interest whereas there was a person who he believed to be in a Fire Department leadership position who was currently employed by Fire Command.

Mr. Berrios suggested going into Executive Session to discuss this item since it involved a personnel matter.

Council Member Lester questioned the language in the current “concession” contracts with the understanding that this service should be the tenant’s responsibility.

Mr. Canner clarified that this service was performed for only two locations and not for the boardwalk concessions.

Council Member Bendo made a motion to table this item (as amended). It was seconded by Ms. Treston and was carried unanimously.

#3 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept a Donation of Two Pull-Up Bars to be Placed on the City’s Boardwalk.

Commissioner Brand spoke about the equipment being donated.

#4 – Resolution Ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Civil Service Employees Association Lifeguard Officers Unit and the City of Long Beach and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Same

Mr. Berrios described the reason for this item.

Council Pres. McInnis made a motion to go into executive session with the City Manager and Corporation Counsel to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to article 14 of the Civil Service law. It was seconded by Ms. Treston and was carried unanimously.

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

#5 – Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of a Local Law Amending Subpart A of Related Acts Relating to the Charter of the City of Long Beach Re: Authorization to Conduct Public Meetings Using Videoconference Technology

This item was for publication only and a hearing will be held on July 19, 2022 at 7pm.

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

This item was for publication only and a hearing will be held on July 19, 2022 at 7pm.

#7 – Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings of May 17, 2022 and May 24, 2022

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

#8 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept a Sponsorship Fee to Sponsor the City's July 4th Fireworks Display.

Corporation Counsel, Rich Berrios explained that this item required the City Manager to accept the sponsorship fee from 2 sub-entities of Engel Berman, the developer of the Superblock, for the July 8th Fireworks Display.

The voting portion of the meeting was then begun.

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.

(RES. #103/22)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase a Sanitation Truck for the City Under a Sourcewell Contract

Council Member Treston 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. #104/22)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept a Donation of Two Pull-Up Bars to be Placed on the City's Boardwalk.

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

(RES. #105/22)

Resolution Ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Civil Service Employees Association Lifeguard Officers Unit and the City of Long Beach and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Same

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. #106/22)

Resolution Authorizing Publication for Hearing of a Local Law Amending Subpart A of Related Acts Relating to the Charter of the City of Long Beach Re: Authorization to Conduct Public Meetings Using Videoconference Technology

Council Member Lester 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. #107/22)

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

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. #108/22)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept a Sponsorship Fee to Sponsor the City's July 4th Fireworks Display.

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

Dated: July 6, 2022

David W. Fraser
City Clerk

Good and Welfare

James Hodge – 95 E Fulton St

Asked for a moment of silence in memory of several incidents, and spoke about issues in the North Park area

Kathleen O’Leary

Spoke about accessibility and thanked the Police Dept for enforcement on the boardwalk

Eileen Hession – 516 W Beech St

Spoke about the conditions at the former HALB building, bulkheading, pull up bars, and a robbery that occurred at the beach park office

Crystal Lake – 206 E Market St

Spoke about flood protection measures

Judi Vining – 410 E Broadway

Spoke about taxation issues with recreational marijuana

Linda Giles – 50 Neptune Blvd

Spoke about bicycles on the boardwalk