

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Long Beach was held on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

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

Corporation Counsel Dennis Cohen and Acting City Manager Ronald Walsh were also present.

Acting City Manager, Ronald J. Walsh, Jr. spoke about the whale that washed up on the beach and that the necropsy was performed. He continued to announce that the bayfront infrastructure project would begin on September 5, 2023 and it would be necessary to close some of the park areas while this work was being done. Mr. Walsh also noted that the Skate Park would remain open until early 2024 and directed the audience to the website for information on alternative parks and locations for dog parks, etc. He then proceeded to speak about the Park Avenue roadwork that is currently taking place. Mr. Walsh did say that the city was doing everything they could to eliminate as much inconvenience as possible.

Council Vice President Treston announced that there were locations in Long Beach accepting donations to assist and help those in Maui.

The calendar items were read by the City Clerk

#1 – A “Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Leasehold Extension Agreement” was taken off the calendar.

#2 – A “Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Renewal Agreement” was taken off the calendar.

#3 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Approve a Purchase Order for the Rental of Various Amusement Rides for the City of Long Beach 25th Annual Fall Festival-Centennial Celebration

Mr. John McNally, Director of Public Relations noted that this resolution would allow the Acting City Manager to enter into an agreement to rent the rides and everything associated with the Fall Festival for this year.

Council Member Posterli asked about any sponsorships for the Fall Festival.

Mr. McNally noted that the city procured approximately \$20,000 at the present time.

#4 – Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Reconstruction of the 200 Block of East Market Street Between Long Beach Boulevard and Monroe Boulevard with the Lowest Responsible Bidder

Commissioner Joe Febrizio of Public Works gave a brief timeline and description of the bids that were received and spoke about the project that would be taking place. He recommended awarding the project to Allen Industries.

Charles Goler– Asked for speed bumps to be added to the project due to cars speeding on the block and complained that drivers were constantly running the stop sign on the corner of Monroe Blvd and E Market.

Crystal Lake – thanked everyone for starting the project and spoke about the traffic that builds up on East Market Street. She continued to speak about the need for stop signs and better traffic lighting.

Steve Gilego – Asked questions about the contractor

#5 – Resolution Authorizing Publication of a Hearing of a Resolution Authorizing the City of Long Beach to Renew a Cable Franchise Agreement with Cablevision Systems Long Island Corporation to Operate a Cable System in the City of Long Beach, New York

A Public Hearing will be held at City Hall, 1 West Chester Street, Long Beach, New York, on September 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

#6 – Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting of August 1, 2023

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

The voting portion of the meeting was then begun.

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

(RES. #158/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Approve a Purchase Order for the Rental of Various Amusement Rides for the City of Long Beach 25th Annual Fall Festival-Centennial Celebration

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

(RES. #159/23)

Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Reconstruction of the 200 Block of East Market Street Between Long Beach Boulevard and Monroe Boulevard with the Lowest Responsible Bidder

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

(RES. #160/23)

Resolution Authorizing Publication of a Hearing of a Resolution Authorizing the City of Long Beach to Renew a Cable Franchise Agreement with Cablevision Systems Long Island Corporation to Operate a Cable System in the City of Long Beach, New York

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

Dated: August 16, 2023

David W. Fraser
City Clerk

Good and Welfare

Crystal Lake – 206 E Market St

Spoke about the North Shore Infrastructure Project and the superbloc project

Patricia Egan – 817 E Walnut St

Spoke about the closure of the skate park

Denise Ford – 36 Ohio Ave

Spoke about the closure of the skate park, allowing tables and tents on the boardwalk for charities, the search for a new City Manager, FOIL procedures, water conservation and the rides for Fall Festival

Brendan Finn – 114 Grand Blvd

Spoke about the proposed ordinance from 8/1 regarding towing

Kathleen Sullivan

Spoke about the Wind Farm project

Karen Riskin

Spoke about the Wind Farm project

Andrew Keen – 30 California St

Spoke about the Board of Ethics

James Hodge – 95 E Fulton St

Spoke about the closure of the skate and dog parks, allowing tables and tents on the boardwalk for the VFW and the North Shore Infrastructure Project