

LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 20, 2023

7:00 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Phillips called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

David Glasson, City Administrator, called roll with Mayor Phillips, C. Svendsen, C. Phelps, C. Murry, C. Reddy, and C. Coleman were all in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Perez and Ken Johnson made public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Payment Approval List for Warrant Registers – 91712-91750 for \$192,101.88

C. Coleman made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. C. Svensen seconded the motion; 5 Ayes, motion passed.

BUSINESS

AB 23-57 – Interagency Agreement with ECY for 200 Bolstad Ave W Clean-up

Ariel Smith, Community Development Director, presented the agenda bill. The property at 200 Bolstad West had known ground contaminants when it was donated to the city. The city has continued to monitor and test the site. The Department of Ecology has a clean-up sector called Brownsfield, where they offer grants to help monitor and remedy contaminated sites. This grant agreement is from that department and will help the city to continue to monitor and hopefully, clean the site, as a result.

C. Murry made the motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement between the city and the Washington State Department of Ecology. C. Reddy seconded the motion; 5 Ayes, motion passed.

AB 23-58 – Gray & Osborne Scope of Work – Sewer Rate Study

Ariel Smith, Community Development Director, presented the agenda bill. This scope of work outlines the engineering time needed to complete the sewer rate study. This study will help staff and the council determine possible rate increases, as well as possible funding combinations to achieve items listed in the sewer comprehensive plan.

C. Murry made the motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Gray & Osborne to conduct a sewer rate study. C. Svendsen seconded the motion; 5 Ayes, motion passed.

AB 23-59 – Lodging Tax Fund Review

David Glasson, City Administrator, presented the agenda bill. City staff needs guidance, prior to the formal adoption of the budget on December 4th, regarding the Lodging Tax Fund and especially the LBMA Visitors Center and the Kite Museum.

C. Murry made the motion to award \$20,000 to the Long Beach Merchants Association Visitors Center, of which, \$10,000 of it will go to the Kite Museum. C. Reddy seconded the motion; 3 Ayes; 2 Nays (C. Svendsen and C. Coleman), motion passed.

ORAL REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE AND WRITTEN REPORTS

- None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE (RCW 42.30.110(1)(G))

The Council went into executive session at 7:20 p.m. and came out of executive session at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk