

FRIENDS OF BELMONT SHORE

June 25, 2020 meeting, online meeting via ZOOM, 6:00 pm

Welcome - President Dick Gaylord

Thank you to: Judy Willis for the idea to meet via zoom, Todd Durham for expertise on conducting a zoom meeting, Lenore and Mike Crosby and Nick West for working on our technical issues.

Introduction of the Board

Treasurer's Report — Mike Crosby

- **As of May statement**, remaining balance: \$3,142 after most large expenses for 2020 have been paid
- **2020 Membership dues are due.** Pay on website or mail to P. O. Box
- **August 6 concert** has been cancelled

“An Update on What is Going on in Belmont Shore and the City” Suzie Price, Third District Councilwoman

Covid Related Updates: As of 6/25, 129 deaths and 59% hospitalization rate, increasing at alarming rate. Surge now called a “community spread” vs. contained area like convalescent homes. Suzie hopeful the governor will not roll back the openings. All large scale events cancelled.

Link to COVID DASHBOARD: <https://app.powerbigov.us/viewr=eyJrIjoibMDNmNWM3ZjgtNjA2OS00YTEyLTZhMjU1ZWM3Yjk5IiwidCI6IjMxM2YxMWMzLTQyNjgtNGY2YS04ZDNiLWM3ZTY1MDE4M2U3OCJ9>

Businesses Reopening: Safety to customers crucial. Wear masks and maintain 6' distance. The city is allowing “parklets” within Second Street parking spaces to add outdoor dining for all restaurants, on temporary permit until October 31st. Call Environmental Health at (562)570-4132 to report businesses you feel are not in compliance.

Civil Unrest: Protests started May 31, which led to civil unrest. 174 businesses suffered vandalism or theft. To hear what was said at 6/23 Public Safety Meeting, <https://longbeach.legistar.com/DepartmentDetail.aspx?ID=2535&GUID=2742284B-F5B4-424C-ADEC-7934822F7097>

Office Concerns: Open dialogue in reforming police tactics and racism within the PD

The following links were given to help members stay connected with city policy-making:

Listening Sessions for the Community: <http://longbeach.gov/press-releases/city-to-offer-additional-community-listening-sessions-as-part-of-framework-for-reconciliation-in-long-beach/>

How to e-comment to the city council, a PDF:

<http://www.longbeach.gov/globalassets/city-clerk/media-library/documents/resources/ecomments-flyer---05052015>

How to participate in a city council meeting: Call 562-570-6101 and direct city clerk to call you back OR email cityclerk@longbeach.gov OR link: <http://longbeach.gov/press-releases/city-clerk-announces-telephonic-public-comment-for-long-beach-city-council-meetings/>

Q & A: Various questions from the members were answered.

Comments from the members

For information on the pool reopening: https://apm.activecommunities.com/lbparks/Activity_Search.

Next meeting via ZOOM: August 6, “How Can We Better Support Second Street?”

Minutes submitted by BJ Newell

