

FRIENDS OF BELMONT SHORE

October 3, 2019 meeting, Bay Shore Community Church Fellowship Hall, 6:30 pm

Welcome - President Dick Gaylord

Introduction of the Board, including new board member Maria Molak

Membership Report - Phyllis

Treasurer's Report — Mike Crosby

Beginning of September, cash available:	\$1,283.64
Deposited:	\$3,534.09
Checks/debits:	\$75.00
As of Sept 30, 2019:	\$4,742.73

LB Chief of Police - Robert G. Luna

7.3% reduction of overall crime. Luna concerned about recent voter changes affecting the criminal judicial system causing shorter jail sentences for professional criminals. Would prefer to put some offenders in places other than jail, depending on the crime. Regarding suits on police, today's civil attorneys change the focus away from the criminal's actions and onto the emotions of the family, costing the city millions of dollars. Various questions from the members were answered.

LB Transit - Kenneth A. McDonald CEO and Colleen Bentley, Directors Chair

\$136 M budget provides service for 26 million annual boarding customers for 249 fixed route buses, water taxi service: AquaLink and Aquabus, and Dial-a-Lift paratransit service. 100 square mile service areas across 13 cities, plus connections to LA Metro of other cities. Goal: 100 alternatively fueled buses in 2020. Buses allow access from downtown LB to LGB, LAX, CSULB, UCLA, LA Chargers Football Stadium, and LA Galaxy. Plans to add new bus stops PCH & 2ND Development on Marina Drive. Various questions from the members were answered.

Sunset at Olympix fundraiser event — Coach and Matt

Blood Drive - BJ (16 raised hands)

Introduction of Business Owners in attendance

- Myung Chung - Korean Restaurant, Haewah Dal
- Bart DeLio - Farmer's Insurance

Jack Cunningham, Chief of Staff, Councilwomen Suzie Price's Office

Raffle: two tickets to Sunset at Olympix

Commander Pat O'Dowd answered various questions of the members

Next meeting: November 7 — Panel Discussion on the Future of Second Street Businesses

Comments from the Members

Minutes submitted by BJ Newell