As you know, Mayor Garcia recently convened an Affordable and Workforce Housing Study Group (Study Group), whose goal is to align the interests of housing advocacy groups and the City with respect to housing policy recommendations. The Study Group includes representatives from housing advocacy groups, the affordable housing development community, and City staff. The Study Group will be assisted by an affordable housing expert, Mercedes Marquez, former General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department.

Mayor Garcia and the Study Group are hosting three community meetings to collect input from residents, developers and interested parties on affordable housing in Long Beach. Each meeting will include a presentation of the City’s historical accomplishments in affordable housing, followed by an open discussion with stakeholders regarding challenges and opportunities in affordable housing. Public input gathered at these meetings will be considered by the Study Group and incorporated into a comprehensive housing policy document.

A Housing Resource Fair will be held in conjunction with the Community Forum on September 24, 2016. This Resource Fair will provide information on programs and initiatives provided by the City, including Code Enforcement and SAFE Long Beach. Community housing groups such as Housing Long Beach and the Apartment Association, California Southern Cities, will also be present to provide information and resources to residents. The Resource Fair is free and open to all members of the public. Times and locations for the three events are as follows:

- **Mayor’s Roundtable with Housing Advocates**  
  September 19 -- 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
  Mark Twain Library, 1401 E. Anaheim St.

- **Housing Resource Fair and Community Forum**  
  September 24 -- 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (community forum to start at 11:00 a.m.)  
  Jenny Oropeza Community Center, 401 Golden Ave.

- **Mayor’s Roundtable with Housing Developers**  
  October 14 -- 1:00 p.m to 2:30 p.m.  
  Michelle Obama Library, 5870 Atlantic Ave.
If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Patrick Ure, Housing Development Officer, at (562) 570-6026.

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Affordable & Workforce Housing Forums

Please join Mayor Robert Garcia, Assemblymember Bonnie Lowenthal, and the Mayor's Affordable Housing Study Group at one of a series of community forums to discuss affordable and workforce housing in Long Beach.

The community is also invited to provide input on ideas for improving the City's housing, and learn more about housing programs at the Housing Resource Fair and Community Forum on September 24!

Monday
09/19
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Mayor's Roundtable With Housing Advocates
Mark Twain Library
1401 E. Anaheim St.
Long Beach, CA 90813

Saturday
09/24
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Housing Resource Fair and Community Forum
Jenny Oropeza Community Center
Cesar E. Chavez Park
401 Golden Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90802

Friday
10/14
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Mayor's Roundtable With Housing Developers
Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library
5870 Atlantic Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90805

Translation services will be available in Spanish, Khmer, and Tagalog.
For questions about these events, contact Andrew Chang at (562) 570-6710 or andrew.chang@longbeach.gov.
For additional information, visit www.lbds.info/housing_and_community_improvement.

This information is available in alternative format by request to (562) 570-3807.