

Date:

July 14, 2016

To:

Fatrick H. West, City Manager TML

From:

Arturo Sanchez, Deputy City Manager

For:

Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject:

Long Beach C-17 Public Meeting

In September 2015, the City of Long Beach was awarded \$3,995,609 by the US Department of Defense, Office of Economic Adjustment (DOD-OEA), to help the City and its residents strengthen its economic position in the wake of the Being C-17 Plant closure. DOD-OEA invests in communities that have experienced an economic impact due to the termination of a military contract or operation.

Pacific Gateway led the effort to request these funds and serves as the project management team. Grant funds were primarily directed toward three areas: direct assistance to impacted workers and firms; support for City-led exploration, planning, and zoning to ensure the site and area are developed in alignment with the City's economic development vision, culminating in a Master Plan document; and economic and labor market analysis to guide investments in the aforementioned areas.

Community Meetings to be Held in July and August

A key part of this project is the engagement of members of the community and stakeholders to provide valuable feedback on possible uses for the former C-17 Plant, as well as on data and market analysis developed by the project team.

The first of a series of public feedback meetings is scheduled for Tuesday, July 19, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Long Beach City College, 4900 Conant St., Building O-2, Long Beach, CA 90808. This two-hour meeting will include an overview of the project, detail regarding the existing Boeing C-17 site, current planning efforts, a detailed analysis of regional economic and demographic indicators, a presentation on regional clusters of economic growth and a facilitated stakeholder input session. This event targets business owners and residents.

Participants are encouraged to RSVP using the following link:

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http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2883819/PublicMeetingRSVP

For more information on the meeting, contact Nick Schultz, Pacific Gateway/Workforce Development Bureau Director, at (562) 570-3702.

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