




Date: October 14, 2019

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Thomas B. Modica, Acting City Manager 

Subject: **Civic Innovation Awards and Smart City Fest at Wonder Women Tech**

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The Technology and Innovation Department and the Office of Civic Innovation and invite you and your staff to the 2019 Civic Innovation Awards Luncheon and Smart City Fest at the Wonder Women Tech Conference on November 7 and 8, 2019, held at the Long Beach Convention Center.

### **2019 Civic Innovation Awards**

The 2019 Civic Innovation Awards Luncheon will take place on November 7, 2019, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It is free for all City officials and employees. The awards are presented to various City departments and employees that have demonstrated an ability to implement creative solutions to some of the City's challenges. The Luncheon will bring together government employees, city officials, university faculty and students, and community members to recognize the outstanding efforts around the use of open data, local government support, and facilitated design processes. Keynote speaker Long Beach Chief of Police Robert Luna will share about innovations in Public Safety. Acting City Manager Tom Modica will present awards in five categories: City Manager's Award, Innovative Partnerships, Community Engagement, Administration, and Social Innovation. [Click here](#) to RSVP for the Luncheon.

### **Smart City Fest**

Smart City Fest, presented by the City of Long Beach and the Long Beach Technology and Innovation Commission, is an interactive event through which community members, smart city thought leaders, and industry professionals will explore the benefits and risks of a "smart" Long Beach. Smart City Fest will take place in Expo Hall B on November 7 and 8, and will include a panel session, roundtable discussions, an interactive booth experience, and a smart city technology zone. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Wonder Women Tech National Conference**

The Wonder Women Tech National Conference explores the intersection between tech, entertainment, the arts, and interactive technology. In addition to a General Session featuring speakers, keynotes, panelists, and interactive discussions and breakouts, the flagship conference provides programming and activities for the deaf, disabled, seniors, youth, and other underrepresented audiences. Wonder Women Tech is building the next generation of leaders, changemakers, innovators, futurists and visionaries to ensure a better Earth and a culture of belonging. City employees can register for the full conference [here](#) and receive a City discount by using the code is LBCITY.

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If you have questions, or require additional information concerning these events, please contact Technology and Innovation Director Lea Eriksen at (562) 570-6234, or Chief Innovation Officer Tracy Colunga, at (562) 570-7440.

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