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To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

From: Alison King, Acting Director of Health and Human Services 

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Update on Long Beach AIDS Memorial Feasibility**

On October 10, 2023, the City Council requested the City Manager to work with relevant departments on the feasibility of developing a plan and vision for a Long Beach AIDS Memorial dedicated to those who have lost their lives to HIV/AIDS. Subsequently, this task was assigned to the Departments of Health and Human Services (Health Department) and Public Works.

At this time, Health Department staff are in the early stages meeting with Public Works and Parks, Recreation, and Marine staff to discuss the overall scope of the project and investigate potential funding sources.

Once an initial scope is established, the Health Department plan to engage the community for input on the design process. A committee will be formed to discuss the type and potential location for the memorial.

It is anticipated that this process will take several months to accomplish and staff will need to come back to the City Council when costs are finalized for funding allocation before moving into the Request for Proposals phase to seek artists who can provide conceptual designs based on community input.

The Health Department will continue to provide updates to the City Council as substantive progress is made.

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