CITY OF LONG BEACH

Memorandum

Date: July 2, 2026

To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager

From: Kevin Riper, Director of Financial Management

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Budget Schedule for Fiscal Year 2027 City Council Budget Meetings**

The Mayor is expected to release the Proposed Fiscal Year 2027 (FY 27) Budget on Thursday, July 30, 2026. The City Manager will formally present it to the City Council during a Budget Hearing on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at or after 5:00 p.m., along with a presentation of the Human Resources Department. The City Charter requires that the Mayor transmit the proposed budget to the City Council no later than 60 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year (August 2). The City Council must adopt the budget no later than 15 days prior to the end of the current fiscal year (September 15), at which time the Mayor will have an additional five days to review the Adopted Budget. The Mayor, at that time, may concur or exercise a line-item veto of any expenditure. The City Council has until the end of the fiscal year to concur with the Mayor's changes or override the veto.

A proposed schedule of the upcoming FY 27 Budget hearings and meetings is listed below. These meetings and hearings provide opportunities for review and discussion of the specific recommendations contained in the City Manager's Proposed Budget, the Mayor's Budget Recommendations, and the Budget Oversight Committee's recommendations, if any. The list of topics taken up by the Budget Oversight Committee will be approved during the first committee meeting.

DATE	SUBJECT
July 28, 2026 Committee Meeting 1:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
August 4, 2026 Committee Meeting 12:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
August 4, 2026 Budget Hearing 3:00 p.m.	• Budget Presentations: ○ City Manager Proposed FY 27 Budget ○ Human Resources
August 11, 2026 Committee Meeting 1:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
August 11, 2026 Budget Hearing 5:00 p.m.	• Budget Presentations: ○ Police ○ Fire

August 17, 2026 Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee – Public Comment Only
August 18, 2026 Committee Meeting 1:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
August 18, 2026 Budget Hearing 5:00 p.m.	• Budget Presentations: o Health and Human Services o Community Development
August 25, 2026 Committee Meeting 12:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
August 25, 2026 Budget Hearing 3:00 p.m.	• Budget Presentations: o Parks, Recreation and Marine o Library, Arts and Culture
September 1, 2026 Committee Meeting 1:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
September 1, 2026 Budget Hearing 5:00 p.m.	• Budget Presentations: o Public Works o Proposed Capital Improvement Plan
September 8, 2026 Committee Meeting 1:00 p.m.	• Budget Oversight Committee
September 8, 2025 Budget Hearing 5:00 p.m.	• Budget Adoption

In January and February 2026, the City held five in-person and one virtual community meetings to offer Long Beach residents an opportunity to provide their policy preferences and community input at an earlier phase of the FY 27 Budget development process. In accordance with the motion adopted as part of the FY 26 Budget requiring community budget meeting feedback results be submitted to the Budget Oversight Committee and City Council no later than two weeks prior to the proposed budget adoption date, the community engagement period will need to be grouped within a two-week period to meet this requirement. This direction from the City Council is to ensure there is enough time to review and analyze the data prior to budget adoption so that Council has all the community input prior to making final budget decisions. As a result, five community budget meetings — including one virtual session and one Saturday meeting — will be available for residents in August 2026.

The purpose of these August meetings is to educate the community on what is included in the Proposed FY 27 Budget, report back on how input from the January and February 2026 community budget session was used to inform the Budget and provide information on how the

public can participate in the budget process. See the table below for a listing of dates and times for community budget meetings.

These will be the meetings that are available due to the compressed time schedule this year, and we will not be able to accommodate additional requests. We move locations around and alternate council districts between the January and August community meetings so that we cover as much of the city as possible, but please note that not all council districts can be represented within the time allowed. Please invite your residents to come to any or all of the scheduled community budget meetings in-person or online if they cannot make it in person. During this time, residents will also have the option to submit comments in writing that we will synthesize and provide to the council, so there will be many different ways to engage in the process. For the latest meeting details please visit longbeach.gov/FY27.

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday, August 5	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Virtual (Zoom)
Thursday, August 6	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Charles Lindbergh Middle School – Auditorium 1022 E. Market St. Long Beach, CA 90805
Saturday, August 8	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Silverado Park – Community Center 1545 W. 31st St., Long Beach, CA 90810
Monday, August 10	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Renaissance High School for the Arts – Auditorium 235 E. 8th St., Long Beach, CA 90813
Thursday, August 13	6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Long Beach City College – Liberal Arts Campus, Room T1200 4902 E. Carson St., Long Beach, CA 90808

Interpretation services will be provided at all community budget meetings.

If you have questions, please contact Budget Manager Rebecca Bernstorff at (562) 570-6408.

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Join the City of Long Beach Budget Conversation

Fiscal Year 2027 Proposed Budget

The City of Long Beach is underway with the Fiscal Year 2027 (FY 27) Budget Adoption process.

We want you to join the conversation at one of the upcoming community meetings.

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RSVP: longbeach.gov/FY27
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Food will be provided!

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Please call **562-570-6465** at least 72 hours in advance of each meeting to request reasonable ADA accommodations.