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SEAL BEACH CITY COUNCIL PLACES LOCAL FUNDING MEASURE ON BALLOT TO ADDRESS PUBLIC SAFETY AND MAINTAIN CITY SERVICES

SEAL BEACH, CA - After receiving feedback from hundreds of residents, the Seal Beach City Council unanimously voted at Monday night's meeting to place a City services funding measure on the November 5, 2024 ballot for voter consideration.

Residents have demonstrated an interest in a local funding measure to address City services. Several months of community discussion and an independently commissioned community survey by FM3 Research revealed up to 71% of residents support creating additional local funds to provide City services.

"Residents have expressed a strong interest in maintaining our quality of life in Seal Beach," stated City Manager Jill Ingram. "Funds are needed to support basic City services like maintaining fire protection, paramedic services, and police response; helping prevent property crimes and retail thefts; and keeping public areas and beaches clean and safe."

"Most of the calls to Orange County Fire Authority are related to medical emergencies," continued Ingram. "The City needs a reliable source of local funds for firefighters, paramedics, and lifesaving equipment. "

Also cited as a priority was the need to keep beaches and shopping areas clean and safe so that Seal Beach continues to attract consumers to support local businesses. Councilmembers expressed the importance of giving Seal Beach residents a chance to weigh in on the issue.

If the measure is adopted by residents, all funds raised by this measure are to be spent in Seal Beach for local services and cannot be taken by Sacramento, providing a source of reliable local funding that benefits Seal Beach residents.

For more information and to view the full resolution, visit: www.sealbeachca.gov/Whats-on-Your-Mind-Seal-Beach

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