

**Re: City Clerk: For Public Comment at Next Council Meeting**

1 message

**Patrice Lattimore** <patrice.lattimore@lacity.org>  
To: Isabel Onate <isabel.onate@lacity.org>  
Cc: Alan Alietti <alan.alietti@lacity.org>, Melinda Novoa <melinda.novoa@lacity.org>

Tue, Sep 29, 2020 at 7:28 AM

Hi Isabel,

Please upload the email below to CFMS to the CF for general public comment.

Thanks  
Patrice

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From: **'Christopher Bout' via CAO Comment Handlers** <cao.comment.handlers@lacity.org>  
Date: Mon, Sep 28, 2020, 5:47 PM  
Subject: City Clerk: For Public Comment at Next Council Meeting  
To: cao.webmaster@lacity.org <cao.webmaster@lacity.org>

Dear Holly Wolcott,

I wish to submit this for public comment for the upcoming city council meeting (Tuesday night, correct?). If not, please read it publicly at the next one. Can you confirm please?

\*\*\* FOR PUBLIC COMMENT \*\*\*

Good evening Mayor, City Councilmembers, City Manager Richard Llewellyn, Jr. and staff, I wish to submit this public comment tonight not as a resident, but as a guest to the City of Los Angeles. I work for energy contractor Schneider Electric and long-time partner to the League of California League of Cities. It is likely we have crossed paths at any of the past League events.

I have a grave concern. This concern is for the integrity of our electrical distribution network and how its failure may affect Los Angeles. California's grid is in dire need of upgrades and struggles to maintain the current demand for power resulting in an increased risk of fires from sheer overload and what we see happening all over the state this time of the year, rolling blackouts. Critical facilities like city hall campuses, fire departments, police departments libraries, corporate yards and other facilities which serve the public good... these facilities NEED to remain fully operational in the event of a power outage. The current state of commonly used backup diesel generation is severely limited on capacity, plus, the overuse of such equipment results in significant AQMD fines.

There IS a solution. This solution deploys on-site power generating equipment, on-site energy storage and the required power management hardware to completely disconnect the facility from the grid and remain fully operational in the event of an extended grid outage of multiple days. Best of all, this solution does NOT require capital expenditure so precious capital dollars are preserved. We fund such projects through private equity and we already have a private equity partner ready to come sit down with us to have a discussion.

This new development in resiliency is game-changing. The market has not ever seen this type of disruption. The citizens of Los Angeles need this type of FULLL energy security and FULL energy autonomy, because the utility grid is poised for failure – the only question is when.

That said, I seek a meeting with Richard Llewellyn, Jr. at the earliest convenience. My contact information follows this letter. Thank you very much for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher Bout

**\*\*\* END OF PUBLIC COMMENT \*\*\***

Regards,

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**Fwd: City Clerk: For Public Comment at Next Council Meeting**

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To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>

Tue, Sep 29, 2020 at 7:58 AM

Emailer's email is [christopher.bout@se.com](mailto:christopher.bout@se.com)

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From: '**Christopher Bout**' via Clerk - CityClerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>  
Date: Mon, Sep 28, 2020 at 6:06 PM  
Subject: City Clerk: For Public Comment at Next Council Meeting  
To: [CityClerk@lacity.org](mailto:CityClerk@lacity.org) <[CityClerk@lacity.org](mailto:CityClerk@lacity.org)>

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