

WEST COVINA NEIGHBORS

A reference sheet on the issue of

Establishing a Local Health Department

City Council Meeting: December 1, 2020 7:00 PM

Mayor Tony Wu introduced his concept to sever the City of West Covina from the Los Angeles County Department of Health and explained how many businesses have come to him for help.

Council authorized exploring project; sending letters protesting actions taken by Los Angeles County and the Governor; and to take non-specified actions to help business.

- **Agenda Item** **12. Request for Consideration from Mayor Wu to Discuss Alternatives to the Los Angeles County Health Department**

Staff Report

See city website for entire agenda.

- **Motions** **The approved meeting minutes state the following passed 5-0**

1. Talk to Pasadena Health Department
2. Set up regional health department
3. Join with Beverly Hills to oppose the L.A. County Health Order
4. Help business stay open.
5. Send a letter to Governor Newsom opposing the deferment of sales tax to cities which make it difficult for cities to pay their own bills to pay essential services like Police and Fire.

Vote: Yes: *Dario Castellanos; Lloyd Johnson; Letty Lopez-Viado; Jessica Shewmaker; Tony Wu*

- **Meeting Video** City Council Presentation and Discussion
Time: *Approximately 32 minutes.*

Specific Discussions/Segments

- **Public Comments**
 - **In Person**
Speakers who mentioned health department during their public comment: [Bill Robinson](#); [Steve Bennett](#); [Elsie Messman](#); [Matthew Smith](#); [Brian Tabatabai](#); [Sara Love](#), [J.D.](#)
 - Phone-In *None*
 - Email *None*
- **Council Discussion**
- **Motions, Discussion, Consensus**