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Councilmember Bonnie Lowenthal to Unveil the 14th Street Skate Park Improvements & lead the The Long Beach Housing Development Company's Demolition of Blighted Buildings

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Councilmember Bonnie Lowenthal will unveil the proposed improvements and expansion of the 14th Street Skate Park and will lead the demolition of two blighted properties at 116 & 124 W. 14th Street on Saturday, September 27, 2008 at 10:00A.M. Councilmember Lowenthal will be joined by representatives from the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Marine, The Long Beach Housing Development Company, the City of Long Beach Housing Services Bureau, and the City's Police and Fire Departments. The public is invited to attend.

The 14th Street Skate Park improvements, includes an expansion of the park which includes the entire park block from Pacific Avenue to Pine Avenue.

The properties acquired by the Long Beach Housing Development Company are located in Council District 1 within the Central Redevelopment Project Area in a neighborhood consisting of multi-unit rentals, owner occupied single-family homes, and businesses serving the community.

The Long Beach Housing Development Company acquired the vacant buildings in **May 2008**. The properties will be torn down to make way for affordable housing units that will be affordable to very low-, low- and moderate-income families.

Quote from Councilmember Lowenthal

Councilmember Bonnie Lowenthal will unveil the skate park expansion plans and is expected to drive a bulldozer into the buildings.

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