Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, June 16, 2026
Closed Session – Adjourned Regular Meeting 4:30 p.m.
Open Session – Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

4:30 PM - CLOSED SESSION – ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Light in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Behrendt, Mayor Light
Councilmembers Absent:	Obagi
Officials Present:	Mike Witzansky, City Manager Joy Ford, City Attorney Derek Kalish, Assistant City Clerk Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION - None

D. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS - None

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no one on Zoom and no eComments.

F. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

F.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of Case:
Mehta Mechanical Company v. City of Redondo Beach, and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive
Case Number: 25TRCV00677

F.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL

LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2).

One potential case (Letter received from the Law Firm Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP dated September 24, 2018, attached as part of the Agenda packet).

F.3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:
David Conroy v. City of Redondo Beach; County of Los Angeles; City of Los Angeles; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive.
Case Number: 26TRCV01630

Assistant City Clerk Kalish read titles to be discussed for Closed Session.

City Manager Witzansky announced the following would be participating in Closed Session: City Manager Mike Witzansky, City Attorney Joy Ford, Public Works Director Andy Winje, City Engineer Lauren Sablan, Outside Legal Counsels Joshua Dale and Lee Smith, and Senior Human Resources Analyst Nicolette Petz.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to recess to Closed Session at 4:32 p.m.

Motion carried 4-0-1 by voice vote. Councilmember Obagi was absent.

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Light reconvened to Open Session at 6:08 p.m.

H. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Officials Present:	Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk Mike Witzansky, City Manager Joy Ford, City Attorney Derek Kalish, Assistant City Clerk

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Witzansky reported that the City did gave unanimous authorization to defend the matter under F3.

J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to adjourn to the Regular Meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

6:00 PM – OPEN SESSION – REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Mayor Light in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Officials Present:	Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk Mike Witzansky, City Manager Joy Ford, City Attorney Derek Kalish, Assistant City Clerk

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

Mayor Light invited veterans and active-duty military to stand and be recognized for their service.

Vivian, 6th grader at Adams Middle School, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Light asked all to remain standing for a moment of silent invocation.

D. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/AB 1234 TRAVEL

D.1. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION OF JUNE 19, 2026 AS JUNETEENTH IN REDONDO BEACH

Mayor Light invited Councilmember Castle to join him at the podium; announced that the City was recognizing and celebrating Juneteenth that evening; provided the background, the significance of the June 19, 1865 date, and the importance of celebrating Juneteenth; noted that Councilmember Castle's family was directly connected to the legacy of Juneteenth and asked him to share a few words.

Councilmember Castle stated that he was born in Texas and he traced his family history back before the Civil War; reported that his great, great, great grandparents were actually part of the slaves freed in 1865 after the Navy ship landed in Galveston to enforce the Emancipation Proclamation from 1863; spoke of the importance of liberty and freedom as part of American history.

Mayor Light spoke of celebrating the progress that has been made and to recommit ourselves to the ideals of freedom, equality, and opportunity for all; presented a proclamation to Councilmember Castle, on behalf of the City Council and residents, proclaiming June 19, 2026 as Juneteenth day in the City of Redondo Beach.

Mayor Light reported attending the city selection committee of the Council of Governments, where he nominated Councilmember Kaluderovic to be the City's representative; stated that she was elected and needed to go through a ratification process vote; attended an event for the Marine Mammal Center in San Pedro, where they recognized two Redondo Harbor Patrol and a member of the City's Harbor community as ocean heroes; stated that Captain Jake was recognized for building and donating a ramp for small sea lion pups to get up on the sea lion barge in the Harbor; noted that he also often reports when there are injured or sick sea lions in the Harbor; stated that the two Harbor Patrol personnel accepted the award on behalf of all the Harbor Patrol for the role they play in rescues and release of marine mammals in the Harbor; attended the RUHS graduation and also Councilmember Castle's community meeting at Wilderness Park.

Councilmember Waller reported participating in the Riviera Village Association Meeting earlier that day; noted that Athens and Nike both provided updates and that new board members and officers would be announced next month at their meeting; announced a ribbon cutting on June 18th at Discount Tires on Artesia, a Bay Cities Council of Governance Board Meeting for June 25th , a South Bay Pride Paddle and Lunch at the King Harbor Yacht Club on June 28th , and the Riviera Village Festival which runs from June 26th through June 27th starting at 12:00 p.m.

Councilmember Castle stated that he held his Community Meeting at Wilderness Park with Community Services Director Hause as his special guest; reported attending the Juneteenth celebration and Summer Reading kickoff; acknowledged Assistant to the City Manager, Jane Chung, for all the work she did organizing the event and Library Director Dana Vinke and staff for their work at the event; announced the Cruise at the Lagoon on Friday at 3:00 p.m.

Councilmember Kaluderovic thanked all who attended the second Crossing Guard Community Meeting at Lincoln Elementary; attended a rotary event with the Redondo Beach Rotary on Saturday at the shooting range.

Councilmember Obagi thanked Jane Chung and Dana Vinke for the great event they put together for the Summer Reading launch on Saturday and provided a quick recap; recognized City Manager Witzansky, Community Development Director Wiener, Lorena Soules, and Lisa Winter for their participation in helping a Redondo Beach business owner meet their federal deadlines for their contracts; acknowledged Public Works' Mike Klein and Chris King for refurbishing a bench at the Pier.

Councilmember Behrendt stated they had a great event and acknowledged that Mariko Baker was also with them.

Councilmember Obagi back pedaled and wanted to recognize and thank Sonia Ortiz and Lisa Winter from the Library and Lorena Soules and Mariko Baker in the Community Development Department for their meeting.

E. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve the order of the agenda as written.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

F. AGENCY RECESS

F.1. SPECIAL MEETING OF THE REDONDO BEACH HOUSING AUTHORITY

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to recess to the Redondo Beach Housing Authority at 6:26 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING FROM AGENCY RECESS – 6:40 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Officials Present:	Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk Mike Witzansky, City Manager Joy Ford, City Attorney Derek Kalish, Assistant City Clerk

G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

G.1. For Blue Folder Documents Approved at the City Council Meeting

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported Blue Folder items for H.12, J.1, two items for L.1, and L.2.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to receive and file the Blue Folder items.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

H.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 16, 2026

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.2. APPROVE MOTION TO READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.3. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES: A. MAY 19, 2026 ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.4. PAYROLL DEMANDS CHECKS 30624-30649 IN THE AMOUNT OF $24,690.68, PD. 6/5/26 DIRECT DEPOSIT 312468-313124 IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,476,630.36, PD. 6/5/26 EFT/ACH $496,861.99, PD. 6/15/26 (PP2611) ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS CHECKS 125062-125272 IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,809,184.14

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.5. APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER $35,000:

1. APPROVE A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE REDONDO BEACH PALLET SHELTER TO EXTEND THE TERM TO JUNE 30, 2027
CONTACT: JOY FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

H.6. APPROVE A SIXTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MARK43, INC FOR THE CITY'S COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH (CAD) AND POLICE

RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (RMS) TO EXTEND THE TERM FOR A YEAR THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $237,447

CONTACT: STEPHEN SPRENGEL, CHIEF OF POLICE

H.7. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2606-041, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AWARDING A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO GRIFFITH COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,247,590 FOR FULTON PLAYFIELD MULTI-BENEFIT INFILTRATION PROJECT, JOB NO. 60280

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

H.8. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2606-042, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.9. Pulled by Councilmember Obagi

H.10. APPROVE LETTER OF AGREEMENT FOR FUNDING AND OPERATION OF THE REDONDO BEACH EMERGENCY HOMELESS SHELTER (PALLET SHELTER) FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $145,927.74 FOR THE TERM APRIL 1, 2026 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

CONTACT: JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

H.11. APPROVE LEASES AND ADDENDUMS FOR EIGHTEEN (18) SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY UNITS, LOCATED AT 126 WEST D STREET, WILMINGTON, CALIFORNIA 90744, TO SERVE AS BRIDGE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN REDONDO BEACH AND HERMOSA BEACH FOR THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $229,051.20 FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027, BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH AND SWAMI INTERNATIONAL

CONTACT: JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

H.12. APPROVE AN EIGHTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH PLACEWORKS, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE FOR AN ADDITIONAL COST OF $48,010 TO BE FUNDED BY THE GENERAL PLAN MAINTENANCE FUND FOR A NEW TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF $2,507,856 AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026

CONTACT: MARC WIENER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

H.13. Pulled by Councilmember Behrendt

H.14. APPROVE A REVENUE SHARING FACILITY LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CROWN CASTLE FIBER LLC FOR WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE INSTALLED AT THE REDONDO BEACH PIER AND INTERNATIONAL BOARDWALK (PORTIONS OF APN # 7503-002-913 AND 7503-033-905)

CONTACT: MIKE COOK, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to approve Consent Calendar except for H.9 and H.13.

Mayor Light invited public comments.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no one online and six eComments opposed.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Assistant City Clerk read H.7 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2606-041 and H.8 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2606-042.

I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H.9. RECEIVE AND FILE THE MONTHLY UPDATE TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MAY 5, 2026

CONTACT: LUKE SMUDE, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER

Councilmember Obagi referenced item #44 regarding Wilderness Park and spoke about the need to sustainably protect the investment they have put into Wilderness Park; stated they should include in their objective regulations, signage programs, staffing hours adjustments, and potentially charging entry fees; asked the City Manager if that would be acceptable to add.

City Manager Witzansky responded that BRR's have centered around staffing and adjusting hours for Wilderness Park and said he would add the request to the overall goals of the park; noted that he did not have a date that he could bring it back.

Councilmember Kaluderovic commented it was a great point and not exclusive to just Wilderness Park but too many projects the City is investing in and the ongoing maintenance and staffing needs should be considered but not to stretch themselves too thin.

Councilmember Castle suggested an amendment to the wording and add usage fees to entry fees to include various groups who use Wilderness Park.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to revise the objective for Wilderness Park to add items to protect the investments made to the park and to include the amendment suggested by Councilmember Castle.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Joan Irvine, District 1, spoke of her experience participating in Leadership Redondo, Class of 2008, where they had a water tolerant California native garden project that died due to lack of resources to maintain it from the City; appreciated that the Council were thinking of ways to maintain the projects the City invests in.

Ron Maroko, District 3, suggested the Council designate Wilderness Park as a historic landmark and noted it would give them access to grants so they could achieve their goals.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no one online.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

H.13. APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR SPECIAL EVENT SERVICES WITH GAME ON LIVE STUDIO, LLC FOR A KING HARBOR WATER POLO PROGRAM FOR THE TERM JUNE 16, 2026 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2026

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Councilmember Behrendt thanked staff, Council, and the Mayor for bringing the event to the Waterfront and hoped it would come back next year; stated that the Waterfront is one of the most important pieces of real estate in the City; voiced that he had some concerns but did not want to address them that evening but, in light of his concerns, reported he was voting no on the item.

Councilmember Obagi thanked Director Hause for bringing it forward and helping move it along through the Council; commented that the event would bring people to the Waterfront and, even though it is not a high revenue generating event, people may stay at the hotels and eat at the local restaurants.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve the license agreement.

Councilmember Kaluderovic commented that, at the South Bay COG General Assembly event, one of the things they highlighted was youth travel sports as a huge opportunity; stated that the City has a unique opportunity to capture economic activity from the pilot program through hotels and restaurants.

Mayor Light invited the representative from GOLS to come up and speak.

Sean Stringer, CEO for Game On Live Studio, reported that they have been live streaming water polo since October 2020; thanked the Mayor and Council for having them and looked forward to a great partnership.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no one online.

Mayor Light voiced his gratitude to staff, GOLS, and Jordan Thompson for their hard work; stated it would be a great opportunity to activate that area of the Waterfront; provided some background and history on water polo in Redondo Beach.

Motion carried 4-1 by voice vote. Councilmember Behrendt was opposed.

J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

J.1. For eComments and Emails Received from the Public

Mayor Light reported that the following meetings following that night would have a new process for public participation due to a new Brown Act requirement; stated that they will alternate between in-person and online participation.

Scott Crowell, District 1, reported that on May 28, 2026 he emailed his District 1 Councilmember, and cc'd the City Clerk, Public Works Director, City Traffic Engineer, and the City Manager, regarding the safety issues at Avenue F and Palos Verdes and at the Catalina Post Office; noted that the City Council had two meetings since that date and no mention of the issue was made, nor any acknowledgment; stated he was submitting his correspondence to the City Clerk and requested that the Council direct staff to address the safety issue.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to receive and file.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Ron Maroko, Chair of the Public Amenities Commission, reported that on March 10, 2026 Council directed the PAC to discuss and provide a history of the LGBTQ community in Redondo Beach and help inform the Cultural Arts Commission in the selection of an art piece; reported that in the May PAC meeting the Commission formed an LGBTQ subcommittee and in June had a discussion on a subcommittee proposal; noted that, in April 2022, the Council passed Resolution No. CC-2303-027, which was sent to the Historic Commission directing them to identify all the accomplishments and contributions made by the City's LGBTQ+ residents so they could include it in the City's Pride celebrations; stated that the PAC asked him to come back to the City Council for further guidance as to the vision, objective amount of community involvement they want, the scope of the project, and the scope of the measurable deliverables; presented three options to the Council: 1) Right to the artwork – basic history to give to the artist so they can incorporate it into the art and be put on a plaque next to the installation, 2) an initial stipend to be raised for the research, writing, and coordination of the story, which would require a Memo of Understanding and authority to raise funds, noted that they contemplated Professor Leinen would be chosen (recommended by the subcommittee); the speaker's time ran out and Mayor Light asked him to submit the options in writing.

Ron Maroko stated he would email them over.

Georgette Gantner, District 2, stated she had material to distribute.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to receive and file.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Georgette Gantner complimented the City on the response that resulted from RB resident John Perchulyn's complaints regarding the violations from trucks coming down Prospect; referenced an article in the Easy Reader, dated June 11th, reporting the number of highway patrol officers and RBPD that were placed at the location and also on the number of citations issued (which is what she submitted); reported that John Perchulyn caught on video even more violations and suggested that the City put cameras at the site and send citations to the trucking companies who are in violation; asked to submit two other items, one for the Mayor and one for Councilmember Castle.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to receive and file.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Georgette Gantner commented that it was part two of something she had brought before the Council two weeks ago regarding Wyland's mural in Dallas; provided some background information regarding Mr. Wyland's efforts in creating 100 murals across the world, which took him 27 years; reported that Wyland has filed a $25 million lawsuit under the Visual Artists Rights Act of 1990 against the City of Dallas since they painted over the mural to publicize the FIFA event; noted that he does care about his work and mentioned it because of talk regarding the mural at the AES site in Redondo Beach; time ran out for the speaker.

Drew Berry, General Manager of the Portofino Hotel, stated he was there representing the King Harbor Association; reported that the KHA is comprised of 15 businesses, their focus is on addressing economic challenges along the Waterfront, and their mission is to improve and enhance the Waterfront; stated that the KHA opposes the current Seaside

Lagoon plan and they are submitting a formal letter in opposition; said they 100% support the improvements to Seaside Lagoon but strongly oppose the current design and the timing of the proposed plan; stated that the KHA are concerned that it is a once in a generation decision for highly valuable Coastal land and the current proposal feels like a short-term fix rather than a long-term vision, the plan appears driven by regulatory pressure and not an economic growth strategy; added that it risks limiting tourism, economic activity, and could lock in low impact use for decades; stated the concerns around timing include reducing visibility and economic potential during the LA 28 Olympics and could negatively affect established events such as the BeachLife Festival; urged the Council to slow down, reassess, and get the plan right.

Councilmember Obagi asked Mr. Berry if he was aware of the Council's previous discussion regarding Seaside Lagoon.

Drew Berry responded that he was not aware of all the details.

Councilmember Obagi noted that no one from the KHA came to speak at that meeting when they had the discussion.

Drew Berry replied that he could not speak on behalf of the KHA at that time, but they would be more present moving forward.

Mayor Light commented that, personally, he thought it was too late; reported that the discussion regarding Seaside Lagoon has been going on since before he was on the Harbor Commission and there were subcommittees with members from the KHA on them; stated that the process has actually been slow and deliberative plus they do have pressure from the government official who funded it to get it started before he leaves office; noted that they are discussing ways to work around the Olympics; stated they have had several public meetings already.

Allen Sanford, President of the Riviera Village Association, spoke positively about the experience he had in building the parklets during Covid with the City; noted that Councilmember Waller has done a great job of representing the RVA interests; stated that he was there on behalf of the RVA to support the KHA in their opposition to the Seaside Lagoon project; noted that the KHA represent about $100 million in revenue and felt their voice should be heard even if it was late in the game; commented that it is a generational decision and that the KHA is not being negative but trying to be proactive as businesses that care; urged the Council to incorporate their opinion moving forward.

Mark Hansen, King Harbor boater and working member for the King Harbor Amenities Plan, commented that they should consider the KHA input even though it is late in the game; said that when he served on the Amenities Plan he went to every community meeting and found them to be boring and that they did not provide the community with details on what they would be able to do with their families; commented that he was empathetic to the City's businesses being there and said they could potentially bring great ideas; noted that this was only phase one of the project and that there is plenty of time to

still listen to the business community's input.
Mayor Light didn't disagree with Mark Hansen regarding phase two and three but stated phase one will be moved forward.

Joan Irvine, District 1, spoke about online protections for children under 16 and the need to have restricted access to any social media for those ages; reported speaking to someone who is in charge of youth safety for a large school system in San Diego and that they noted it really comes down to the parents involvement; spoke about the benefits of cannabis use for the aging population and that more has been documented recently on the benefits; asked that the Council consider that when the item is brought back.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported receiving one eComment and two people online to speak.

Darryl Boyd (via Zoom), District 3, reported that the City spent $6,400 on a landscape plan for the North Prospect Ave. median; stated that the plan was presented to the 500 to 600 North Prospect Ave. residents on February 8, 2025 at a neighborhood meeting hosted by Public Works and Community Development; commented that the plan included the right choice for their situation but that they received none of the hedges, trees, or plants proposed to them; stated that Mayor Light interfered and directed native plants to be placed there instead which violated the City Charter and ruined a great plan for the taxpaying residents of the area; commented that the native plants are the wrong product for the situation so it provides no noise deflection or privacy; questioned why Mayor Light was allowed to override the residents of the 500 to 600 North Prospect Avenue, Councilmember Kaluderovic, and the Public Works Department; spoke about other tree planting projects that have happened throughout the City and voiced his disappointment about the ineffectiveness of the plants they received; requested the City to replace the 34 dead and weakling plants and add a second row to fill in the gaps; urged them to fix everything so they could be done with this phase; asked Councilmember Kaluderovic to step up for her constituents.

Wayne Craig (via Zoom), District 1, thanked Councilmember Kaluderovic for reminding him of the General Assembly meeting from March; spoke about events being hosted by other cities and recalled that the City had spent $40,000 last year in order to secure some events; asked for any updates on that effort to be agendized or put on their social media posts.

K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Light reported that they had two public hearings that evening; stated he had discussions with all the Councilmembers on both L.1 and L.2 and discussions with different department heads, staff, the City Manager, and with the public; noted that he spoke to the public for input and discussions with staff for clarifications, explanations, and exploration of alternatives on different parts of L.1 and L.2, and with Council it was for their positions on both items.

Councilmember Waller reported speaking to the Mayor, City Manager, staff, and members of the public for L.1 and to the City Manager and the Mayor for L.2.

Councilmember Castle reported speaking to the Mayor, City Manager, staff, the public, and Councilmember Kaluderovic for L.1 and L.2.

Councilmember Kaluderovic reported speaking to the Mayor, Councilmember Castle, City Manager, City Attorney, the public, and staff.

Councilmember Obagi reported speaking to the Mayor, Councilmember Behrendt, members of the public, and staff.

Councilmember Behrendt reported speaking to the Mayor, Councilmember Obagi, staff, and members of the public for both L.1 and L.2.

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS

L.1. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 PROPOSED BUDGET, 2027-2031 FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, AND ASSOCIATED BUDGET RESPONSE REPORTS ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2606-043, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27

a. Reconvene the Public Hearing, take testimony;
b. Close the Public Hearing;
c. Receive and file Budget Response Reports;
d. Adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2606-043, incorporating the adjustments identified in BRR #1 and the final City Council motion; and
e. Direct staff to take actions necessary to implement the fee and rate changes approved as part of the Adopted Budget.

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

Mayor Light introduced the item and reopened the public testimony that was continued from the last meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to reopen the public hearing.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

City Manager Witzansky noted that it is the third and final hearing on the City's operating and capital improvement budgets for the 26-27 fiscal year; thanked Stephanie Meyer, Jacob Kamsvaag and the rest of the Finance Department for all their hard work; thanked the City's Capital team notably Andy Winje, Jesse Reyes, and everyone in

Engineering and Maintenance and Operations for their work putting together their Five-Year CIP; noted that they would see more improvements to that CIP document going forward; thanked all the department heads; reported that they have 50 Budget Response Reports and 32 Decision Packages; recapped that they started with just under $1.4 million, their core revenues and transfers in amount to a little over $125 million, and expenditures and transfers out are just under $128 million; stated that the City's DPs improve the structural budget significantly by just about $2.1 million on an ongoing basis and the City has one-time expenditures totaling just over $400,000, the flexible hiring freeze will save about $2.9 million in funds, and the unfunded accrued liability payment checks in at just under $3.5 million for this year; reported that with all those items together the City has a proposed balanced budget and it has been done without the utilization of reserves; noted a big change for the CIP is the addition of the $93 million Measure FP funds for the Police Station, Police Annex, and two Fire Stations; stated that they will bring to Council a recommendation for a Progressive Design Build firm on July 7th for discussion; stated that they have 89 total recommended projects in this year's budget with a little under $200 million in total spending and anticipate spending a little under $17 million in the 25-26 fiscal year completing 28 projects and designing and/or procuring another 25 projects; noted that they have 50 BRRs because they had one final addition relating to the City's Street Landscaping Lighting Assessment District; noted that they had some revisions, corrections, and retractions from the document that was first presented in May and that all 50 BRRs are available to them (the 50th being a Blue Folder item); provided staff's recommended actions as:

1) Re-open the public hearing
2) Take public comment
3) Adopt the FY 2026-27 Budget and Five-Year CIP including BRRs #01 and #01A
4) Direct staff regarding next steps on revenue items

City Manager Witzansky reported that they are teed up and ready to bring Council the Parking Rate Ordinance for first reading/introduction on July 7th, as well as any additional police fees that are part of the final budget motion that evening; stated everything else fee-related will be part of the next public hearing.

Councilmember Kaluderovic reported that she and Councilmember Castle worked on a budget proposal together; noted that the City has upcoming financial commitments on the horizon, labor negotiations with four employee groups, and other facilities that need upgrades such as the Public Works facilities; stated that she does not want to ask the residents for more money, so the City needs to start pocketing money to meet the needs for other facilities; said they view any remaining funds in the City's account as repaying what they have already taken out; presented the 2026-27 Annual Budget that she and Councilmember Castle prepared and stated it was similar to what has been proposed; said they added that all remaining General Fund balance be added to the General Reserves; noted the similarities between what had been proposed already; stated they proposed to increase the annual parking meter pass to $225 since the City is raising rates of the parking meters and that they also forecasted that fewer people

would be buying them so they put $1,500 instead of $1,700 which was listed in the BRR.
Councilmember Castle spoke on BRR #48 regarding leases where the City is the landlord; noted that many tenants are commercial and pay rent as a percentage of their revenue; stated that in the existing audit agreement the City has funds to fund only one audit per year but they have hundreds of tenants down in the Waterfront; noted that their proposal will allow the City to audit more tenants so they can make sure they are receiving the rent that is actually owed on their revenues and confirm that calculations are correct; mentioned it is based on a cost recovery so the City wouldn't pay out revenue and the firms would only receive a percentage of what the City actually recovers from their audits.

Councilmember Kaluderovic noted that they had some line items referencing Decision Package 3 regarding special event street usage fees and made comments tying BRR 8, BRR40, and DP 3; referenced BRR 50 regarding tree trimming contracts and pointed out that the City Manager did not include $241,000 in this year's proposal; spoke about the City tightening the belt and that the General Fund is subsidizing the City's Street Lighting and Landscape District for about $1.2 million; noted that it was unique because they don't do that for other street items and appreciated that they are scaling that back.

Councilmember Obagi asked Councilmember Kaluderovic to clarify their intent on line 31.

Councilmember Kaluderovic responded that she was just recognizing that City Manager Witzansky denied the Decision Package for additional funding for tree trimming services this year that he normally includes.

More discussion followed.

City Manager Witzansky emphasized that the important note is the budget, as proposed currently, is arguably underfunded as it pertains to tree trimming services.

More discussion followed regarding where the funding for tree trimming services is pulled from.

City Manager Witzansky clarified what they receive from property taxes but reported that the total cost of the City's full grid trimming is much higher than that so they have historically paid for that through Public Works and Park services operations plus supplemented that budget in order to meet contractual desires; reported that this year they are funding it less and will be trimming fewer trees in the 26-27 fiscal year.

Mayor Light asked how the City Manager derived what they are putting into tree trimming.

City Manager Witzansky provided the explanation.

More discussion followed regarding the maintenance for the trees in the City.

Councilmember Kaluderovic commented that she has a request for discussion on it later; spoke of the removal of the remaining one week of free holiday parking because the City is borrowing money from the reserves to have free parking in order to offer it.

Councilmember Waller provided clarification that the number shown was for approximately one month's free parking and one week would be far less.

Chief Sprengel reported that it would be about $25,000 for one week's worth of parking.

Councilmember Waller commented that at the RVA BID meeting a new business member, Gum Tree, stated that she has three locations: Manhattan, Hermosa, and Redondo and that there is a huge advantage for the Manhattan and Hermosa stores over Redondo due to the free parking.

Councilmember Kaluderovic said her position is just that she is not comfortable funding it if they have to borrow money to do so; stated she completely understood his comment and looked forward to the moment they could reinstate free holiday parking.

Councilmember Castle commented that offering free parking was a way to incentivize people to shop in the area during the holiday season and a sign of goodwill, but the current situation is that parking is full even if they don't offer free parking; noted that the Waterfront would love to offer free parking to get more tenants down there but due to the budget it is not possible; stated borrowing from employee retirement accounts, as they did last year, to give free parking is not a reasonable trade.

Councilmember Kaluderovic moved to the CIP for the Riviera decorative string lighting replacement, which is coming out of the Major Facilities Repair Fund, and proposed that the BID fund that improvement.

Councilmember Obagi stated he has noticed bulbs out down at the Riviera and wondered if they just needed to be changed or if the whole string needed to be replaced.

Mike Klein, Public Works, responded that the string lights are at the end of their useful life, they were replaced five or six years ago, and that the cables are also starting to weaken.

City Manager Witzansky noted that the $90,000 includes the cable infrastructure.

Councilmember Kaluderovic commented that there is no question that replacement is due but felt that is what the BID is positioned to do, and preferred they not pull funds from the City's Major Facilities Repair Fund.

Councilmember Waller stated that the RVA BID meeting also discussed the string lights and that the owner of Gum Tree mentioned that the string lights are an advantage that Redondo has over Manhattan and Hermosa; noted that the BID could not afford $90,000 and with their proposal that would mean the lights would go away.

Councilmember Kaluderovic commented that it could be discussed further but they need to focus on priorities; reported that she added the North Redondo Beach Annexation Centennial Celebration (September 2027), understood that it was not possible to fund this year, hoped to collaborate with the NRBBA, and wanted to queue a discussion for next year; mentioned BRR #42 regarding the Farmers Market and the need not to use General Funds; agreed with accepting BRR #44 and asked if there was any potential funding in the CIP for school safety and accessibility she would like that explored; supported the parking study update for Aviation Blvd. but didn't want funds pulled from the General Fund and hoped the City could explore grants to make it happen; did not support using General Funds for power washing on the Esplanade; suggested using the Maintenance Major Facilities Repair Fund for the RBPAC panel but that a bigger discussion of the needs for the entire facility is needed.

Councilmember Castle referenced BRR #19 regarding the landscaping on the corner of South Juanita and Camino Real; noted that the cost for the 200 sq. ft. was $12,000 so they decided to strike that out of the budget for now.

Councilmember Kaluderovic noted that General Funds for BRR #29 and #35 were just not available at this time; supported BRR #41 as long as there is no increased cost by amending Wilderness Park operating hours to staff two park attendants during peak hours.

Councilmember Castle noted that feedback from his Community Meeting at Wilderness Park was the importance of protecting the significant investments that have been made there; noted that one park attendant could not watch the entrance and the lower pond due to the way it is shaped so two attendants are needed.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated that the next section addresses Quimby Funds and they made a note that there is a $3 million investment from that account to Seaside Lagoon as well as the requests for the North Redondo Beach Bike Path; noted that they struck out the additional Quimby Funds for pickleball since $500,000 is already proposed in the CIP budget for the facility and put it towards the fencing at Perry Park; provided some comments regarding the pickleball facility, the wheelchair lift at the Teen Center, the all-terrain wheelchair for Wilderness Park, and Dominguez Park fence removal; reported the City was under budget for the all-abilities play structure at Franklin Park by $180,000, so those funds were put back into the Subdivision Trust Fund; spoke about funding the four benches plus the necessary pad and the cost associated with the LEA; spoke about the replacement equipment for regional parks throughout the year, and replacement of part of the Alta Vista fence being in there with the remaining Quimby Funds of $66,137 going back to the pickleball facility at Aviation Park; reported it would be a net loss of $34,000; asked some questions regarding the John Parsons Art Fund and wanted to put it into the queue for the Cultural Arts

Commission but did not know what amount to assign to it; commented that when Commissions are given a project, the Councilmember that requested it should provide the expectations or the boundaries in their referral; stated that the $600,000 in the General Fund would be the general reserve repayment; noted that they would like to have some agendized discussions, including: 1) development of an annual process to evaluate the City's Crossing Guard Program, 2) CIP shelter expansion, 3) vehicle replacement schedule, 4) possible changes to the special event, business licensing, municipal code, and process, 5) Public Amenities Commission to conduct a public discussion on the vision and scope of the pickleball facility and forward recommendations to the Council for further discussion.

Councilmember Obagi asked the City Manager if the City could license naming rights to a corporation for the Aviation Park Pickleball Facility.

City Manager Witzansky stated yes, if they found a public agency interested, the City can license publicly owned assets.

Councilmember Kaluderovic continued with her agendized discussions: 6) referenced BRR #24, potential facility-use policies to evaluate the City's operating costs.

Councilmember Castle added that the use of Wilderness Park by camps, schools, and private users who charge for their activities in the parks but do not follow rules has been an issue; agreed that evaluating it for who uses it, what the City subsidizes, the price for use is something they need to agree upon.

Some discussion followed regarding the various organizations that use the parks, fee structures, and developing a revenue facility-use policy that incorporates subsidy.

Councilmember Kaluderovic continued with her agendized discussions: 7) about the benefits of a vapor wake team in the PD, 8) policy on renaming facilities.

Mayor Light interrupted to recommend they make an urgent exception to discuss what they name the new park at Herondo before the grand opening at the next Council session.

City Manager Witzansky noted that a subcommittee referral was made to develop a policy.

Councilmember Obagi reported that he circulated a policy and no one has provided feedback on it.

City Manager Witzansky noted that the ball is in staff's court and, if desired, they could test the policy on the Herondo Street exercise; stated that they also owe Council a discussion for the Perry Park Teen Center and the Eaton parkette; stated that the Community Services Department is also working on a policy.

Discussion followed.

Mayor Light asked that the motion include the naming of the Herondo park as well as a discussion on policy.

More discussion followed.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated that they have notes and requests for future budget preparations including: ongoing monitoring at Dominguez Park, Centennial Anniversary for the Annexation of North Redondo, include a replacement schedule for all equipment, continue to expand the information for the CIP to include the multi-year scheduling, include a DP to increase the square footage fee for dining decks in City-owned parking spaces, and to forecast a need for the next RHNA cycle and the budget associated with it.

Councilmember Castle, directly speaking to Councilmember Waller, said he heard the RVA had a discussion about the Dining Deck Program and the fees and asked if they should work together with the RVA.

Councilmember Waller said that the RVA intends to have discussions with the City on the program; opined it would be a good time to talk to the RVA regarding the City changing fees; noted that the RVA currently remits fees for all the square footage of the dining deck whether the restaurant pays or not; stated that there have been discussions on how the City can help with that or enforce the collection of money.

Mayor Light stated he had a few requests: 1) that they add a minimum of $2 per foot per day for private vessels docking at the Harbor Patrol docks, 2) regarding BRR #26, designate Wilderness Park as a local historic landmark at no cost from the General Fund.

Discussion followed regarding the fee for private vessels docking at the Harbor Patrol docks.

City Manager Witzansky stated that staff would come back with a recommendation and some options when they bring it back as part of the fee schedule follow up.

More discussion followed regarding the private vessel that parked at the dock recently while his boat was being repaired.

Councilmember Obagi asked why that particular portion of the fence at Alta Vista was chosen for repair.

Councilmember Castle responded that it is in dire need of repair.

Councilmember Waller reported that he has pictures showing where the crossbars are broken and hanging and where the fence is ripped in multiple places.

Councilmember Obagi asked what was allocated for it. The response was $45,000.

More discussion followed.

Councilmember Obagi asked Councilmember Kaluderovic if she funded the Heritage Court benches and if so, for how much.

Councilmember Kaluderovic responded that she did and $38,000 is the amount.

Councilmember Behrendt stated that they all acknowledge that the residents and public expect that in any budget year the City and Council take care of public safety, regional parks, open space, beautification, and maintaining City infrastructure; stated he wanted to go over a few things from Councilmembers Castle and Kaluderovic's budget proposal; noted that Riviera Village is a flagship commercial district for the City and was opposed to taking away the week of free holiday parking; voiced reasons why he was opposed to having the BID pay for the string lighting and felt the City should pay for the replacement; spoke about the need to keep the power washing for the Esplanade; provided reasons why the RBPAC panel expenditure of $1,300 was needed; spoke about Aviation pickleball being a double priority project for two Councilmembers, it was a complete City Council priority on the Strategic Plan, and that staff is ready to start work on it within the next 12 months, opposed taking the $100,000 from the pickleball facility; spoke about the Council having common ground in supporting parks, open space, and pickleball; supported the repair of the Alta Vista fence, keeping the $50,000 for the mosaic art tile mural for the shore wall, and exploring working with the artist John Van Hamersveld; commented that the list of referrals to staff in Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle's budget motion introduces a whole number of policy discussions that are not on the Strategic Plan and should be for a later time, not that evening, except for the naming of Herondo Park; spoke about the budget motion he and Councilmember Obagi put together as striking the right balance for the City as a whole.

Councilmember Obagi referenced a request made by the Youth Commission that asked the Council to ensure the City balances private use of public property and asked if someone could clarify what they meant by that.

City Manager Witzansky reported he was at that Youth Commission meeting and explained that evening's discussion in further detail; stated that they wanted to understand how the City seeks a fee for private use as opposed to offering public use for free; clarified that it was more of a policy question.

Councilmember Obagi voiced support for everything Councilmember Behrendt said and concern for the disagreement between the Councilmembers; understood the stringent discipline that Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle were trying to instill in the budget process, but opined that their budget motion was not being irresponsible with the City's money; stated that he hoped their budget motion would help Redondo come out stronger than the neighboring cities after the wars end, inflations settles, and tourism is back; spoke about the monument signs and the need to have them refreshed with the new logo and unified at all the entrances to Redondo Beach.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi to approve all the Decision Packages in the Five-Year CIP, adopt BRR 1 as revised on June 16th, 1A and 8 as amended, with the intent to subsidize City fees entirely for the RVA Trick or Treat ($6,277) and RVA holiday stroll ($8,321), and subsidize the SummerFest Street Closure Fee of $4,080; reported the total being $44,678 for subsidies.

Discussion followed regarding the estimated fees for SummerFest.

Community Services Director Hause reported that last year SummerFest fees were $16,500 and the City subsidized $12,500, so the RVA paid just over $3,943.

More discussion followed.

Mayor Light asked how the numbers compare to the Signature Event subsidies the City has already agreed to.

Some discussion followed.

City Manager Witzansky reported that the total number in BRR #8 for subsidies is $45,000 with the breakdown as follows: $2,500 for Trick or Treat, $2,500 for Holiday Stroll, $2,500 for the Boat Parade, $10,000 for the 10K, $10,000 for the SpringFest, $5,000 for the LA Kings 5K, $10,000 for the SummerFest, and $2,500 for the Sea Fair; noted that their budget motion does not impact the City's proposed budget.

Councilmember Obagi commented that their motion is a written motion just in case he omitted something as he went through it; referenced option 3 regarding the NRB Farmers Market and noted that the AACAP calls for street closure to place make, which the Farmers Market has temporarily done through a partnership with the City, and it has generated funds which they are reinvesting into the AACAP.

Councilmember Castle clarified that the intent of their budget motion, regarding the NRB Farmers Market, was to see how much money they have at the end of the trial season to see if they should commit to funding bollards.

Councilmember Obagi stated it is important to signal to the NRB Farmers Market that the City wants to continue to partner with them.

City Manager Witzansky suggested that Councilmember Obagi could include the appropriation in the budget motion but delay confirming efficacy or continuation of the program.

Councilmember Castle stated that one of the differences between Councilmembers Obagi and Behrendt's budget motion and Councilmember Kaluderovic and his budget motion is that they were finding other Non-General Fund sources as opposed to using the General Fund.

Councilmember Obagi asked the City Manager if there were any items in their budget motion that could be funded by the Major Facilities Repair Fund.

City Manager Witzansky responded that the City has a fairly limited amount of money going into that fund on an annualized basis, they don't use it for critical infrastructure needs, and they treat it more as a repair account for items that they don't have another restricted source of funding for such as maintenance.

Councilmember Obagi referenced BRR #18 and stated they would like to maintain the $55,000 because it is an investment that is needed; noted that they put instruction that provides it's only General Fund if transportation restricted funding cannot be obtained after diligent pursuit first; added that it signals their commitment to Hermosa Beach for when they discuss their CIP; mentioned they included the Mayor's requested Master Fee Schedule of $2 per foot per day, two full-time MSOs and RBPD increasing street sweeping citation to $79; reported that he asked Finance Director Meyer for a breakdown of where parking permit sales are coming from and she provided the numbers: 109 from 90278 and 976 from 90277; noted that 63.67% are from Redondo Beach residents and opined they should wait to increase it.

Councilmember Castle pointed out that the bulk of the parking meter fees and parking tickets, outside of street sweeping, are in the 90277; clarified that they proposed raising the parking permit fee to commensurate the increase in parking meter rates.

More discussion followed.

Councilmember Obagi noted that Aviation pickleball at $100,000 is needed; provided various negative scenarios that they encounter at Perry Park between various sports sharing the same space; stated it is their priority project and wanted to keep the full amount in their budget motion; reported that he reduced the allocation to the Perry Park fencing to $33,000, which brings the total to $104,000 and he changed the construction date to 2028; stated he put the remainder into fencing for Alta Vista along Juanita.

City Manager Witzansky stated that the BRR listed the amount closer to $46,000 for the record.

Councilmember Obagi continued going through their budget motion.

City Manager Witzansky clarified that when it comes to Wilderness Park staff will evaluate and then come back with a recommended plan to address the issue for attendants.

Councilmember Obagi referenced the two benches for Heritage Court and said they could fund two benches another time; continued going through their budget motion;

noted $2,500 for Dale Page Park to maintain the crack there for use as a temporary pickleball facility; reported a request from the Public Amenities Commission to extend the fence separation at Alta Vista between the tennis and pickleball courts using $8,000 of Subdivision Trust Funds; stated that the benches at the Waterfront are in terrible shape and will continue to corrode, reported that there are 50 metal benches, and estimated them to cost $750 to $1000 each to recoat them or $2,500 to replace them; stated that they allocated $30,000 from the General Fund for Public Works to maintain and replace Waterfront benches within their discretion and expertise; explained why they kept the recurring power washing of the Esplanade two more times per year; showed examples of the different City signs around the RBPAC and stated that they need to have their brand consistent throughout the City asap; referenced the landscaping at South Juanita and Camino Real (District 1), confirmed that Councilmember Waller wanted it, and asked City Manager Witzansky if the funds could come from Subdivision Trust Funds.

City Manager Witzansky responded that it could, but it is borderline.

Councilmember Obagi commented that they don't have the Quimby Funds right now; noted that the landscaping should use Subdivision Trust Funds if available, otherwise a one-time General Fund expense; noted that they allocated $10,000 for additional tree planting funding, which will pay dividends in two to three years; reiterated the $96,000 for the Citywide monument wayfinding sign refresh; stated that the mosaic art tile mural for the wall between Cal Surf Club and Rivera Cantina comes from the John Parsons Public Art Fund; noted that there is $100,000 unallocated in that fund, the Cultural Arts Commission inquired about an app that would find public art throughout the City but he did not want to invest money into that and preferred to blend that with Access Redondo.

Mayor Light suggested contacting Rick McQuillin about it since he is working on the app for Artesia.

Councilmember Obagi continued with the budget motion; referenced Miscellaneous Design Services for all departments for logo design/branding at $7,500; funded $15,000 for a third-party facilitator to assist the City Council with Annual Performance Review of the City Manager; reported the ending General Fund balance at $205,297.24 would give the City Manager some flexibility on the flexible hiring freeze; so moved with Councilmember Behrendt seconded the motion.

Mayor Light commented that he was hoping for more of a compromise between the two budget motions; noted that Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle's motion tried to save by spending zero and Councilmembers Behrendt and Obagi's only left $200,000 so there is a wide difference in the two.

Councilmember Waller stated that many of his ideas overlapped with both budget motions; presented his ideas: two weeks of free parking for the Riviera Village that year which would add $25,000 on top of the $25,000 there, kept the power washing for the Esplanade, the Alta Vista fence, $19,000 for one more crossing guard at Prospect and

Avenue G (due to a lot of feedback from constituents).

Mayor Light voiced opposition to the additional crossing guard due to the current process.

Councilmember Waller spoke of his opposition to the $90,000 for lights for the North Redondo Beach Bike Path, opined it was very expensive but noted it is not his district and is unfamiliar with the area at night.

City Manager Witzansky stated that the City is still seeking grant funds for the lighting.

Councilmember Waller said he would like to wait on the bollards to see if the Farmers Market becomes a permanent event; spoke in support of the wayfinding signs, the benches, and making the Pier, Harbor, and Esplanade good since the major events would be happening soon; voiced support for the Aviation parking study; stated that beautification of the City is important and that the monuments, the landscaping at Juanita and Camino Real, and the power washing on the Esplanade needs to be kept in the motion; stated he did not disagree with the park benches and the wheelchair lift at the Teen Center.

Councilmember Obagi reported that he made an error in his motion earlier and that what he typed for BRR #44 should have been for BRR #42 regarding the bollards for the NRB Farmers Market; amended his motion.

Councilmember Behrendt seconded the motion; opined that both budget motions are frugal with some differences in the focus on what to include as essential for the City; stated that they tried to take into consideration all parts of the City in their budget motion; commented that it is a good time to make Redondo shine, that they should take care of the time sensitive items, such as the benches at the Waterfront; understood that there are differences in the motions but thought what they have presented is something that the whole Council could be proud of.

Mayor Light disagreed with some of the items Councilmembers Behrendt and Obagi felt were essential to the City; noted that Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle's budget ended with $600K and Councilmembers Obagi and Behrendt's ended at $200K, which is a big delta.

Councilmember Kaluderovic provided her budget motion with red highlights on items that the budget motions disagree on in order to come to some agreement.

Discussion followed regarding the need to take care of items before they become too expensive to take care of later, notably the benches at the Pier and the City's facilities.

Councilmember Obagi stated he has insisted on keeping the facilities on the City's Strategic Plan with the idea that, when they have more certainty with the power plant site, they can do a lease revenue bond in order to fund a major upgrade to City Hall and the Public Works yard; spoke of another option being a bond if the residents see how critical Public Works is to the operation of the City.

Councilmember Kaluderovic generally agreed with Councilmember Obagi's statements; noted that their thought was, are they willing to take out of the City's reserves to spend money.

Discussion followed on the parking meter pass; Councilmember Kaluderovic noted that they would like to increase it to $220 to commensurate with the parking meter increase and stated that it accounted for a reduction in the number of passes by 200; City Manager Witzansky cautioned them on the calculations, because if they drop to 1,500 total passes sold, they will go backwards in revenue but agreed with their logic to increase it.

Discussion followed regarding the removal of one week of holiday free parking; Councilmember Kaluderovic listed out the items for the Riviera: holiday free parking, proposal to replace the street lighting, proposing subsidies for the holiday events and SummerFest, noted that they are all for one area of the City; Councilmember Castle stated that the King Harbor Association used to get the same free parking that the Riviera Village did and wondered if they would ever get that back; Councilmember Waller said he would not object if Councilmember Castle came with a proposal for it; Councilmember Kaluderovic stated her intent was not to pull it all away but to note that they invest in that space consistently and annually.

Discussion followed regarding the light replacement; Councilmember Kaluderovic asked if the BID would split the cost of the lights, suggested some negotiation with them.

Discussion followed regarding delaying the implementation of the bollards for the NRB Farmers Market; Councilmember Kaluderovic stated she would be amenable to the Council evaluating the City's revenue and funds after the pilot program; Councilmember Castle pointed out that the NRB Farmers Market might be able to contribute to the cost of the bollards depending on their profits.

Discussion followed regarding the Aviation parking study; Councilmember Castle asked the City Manager if there is any money in the Safe Routes to School fund; City Manager Witzansky responded that it can't come from Safe Routes to School fund but there could possibly be grant funds or transportation restricted funds to support the effort later; Councilmember Kaluderovic asked if it could be decided on at mid-year; City Manager Witzansky stated they could prioritize the use of grant funds first but pursuing grants funds would take the better part of the fiscal year and it all depends on how quickly the Council wants to have it analyzed.

Discussion followed regarding the power washing of the Esplanade; Councilmember Waller noted that the area attracts a high amount of pedestrian and dog traffic, the urine smell will become a problem and give the wrong message to tourists, suggested power washing monthly during the peak months of May through September or at the discretion of Public Works; City Manager Witzansky reported currently the City power washes the Esplanade four times a year and explained how they decide when those washes occur in depending on weather throughout the year.

Discussion followed regarding Aviation pickleball; Councilmember Kaluderovic noted that their proposal provided $545,000 as opposed to the $600,000 on Councilmembers Obagi and Behrendt's budget motion; mentioned it included the landscaping at South Juanita and Camino Real for Quimby.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated that they did not include art amounts but is not opposed to putting in art amounts and asked Councilmembers to let her know if they wanted to add any amounts in there; stated that many of the discussion items she brought up were focused on better preparing the City for increasing revenue, understanding the City's costs, and to ready themselves going forward and into the next year's budget; noted that she spoke to the City Manager and many of the items are already lined up in the queue; stated that was her substitute motion; asked Councilmember Waller for his input since a lot of the items involved the Riviera Village.

City Manager Witzansky requested they pause so staff could reconcile the revenue assumptions in the two motions to make sure they are consistent with each other.

Discussion followed that the MSOs were consistent and the only difference was the parking meter pass.

Councilmember Waller reviewed the list of items in the motion; stated he understood the logic of the parking meter pass; in regard to the General Fund expenditures, asked to keep the one-week holiday free parking, felt the string lights were a necessity and would ask the BID if they would split the cost.

Discussion followed; Councilmember Kaluderovic asked that they tell the BID going forward that it would not be a cost the City would continue to fund and agreed to table it to a future discussion; City Manager Witzansky noted that they had to distinguish if the $90,000 for the lights were being approved in the CIP or if it is not approved and the direction is to ask the BID to split the project or if it is approved for $45,000; Councilmember Waller advocated for the approval of the $90,000; Councilmember Obagi pointed out that it is the City's street; approval was made for the $90,000.

Councilmember Waller pointed out that other discussions are needed with the BID so that can be one of the topics; continued with the review of the list of items; supported the parking study on Aviation and agreed it could be re-visited mid-year; supported the power washing; voiced indifference to the panel replacement at RBPAC; opposed the rebranding of the vehicles.

Discussion followed regarding the importance of the wayfinding signs to people coming to Redondo Beach and the benches at the Pier.
City Manager Witzansky provided a point of clarification from an early discussion topic

that the removable fixed bollards were $35,000.

Councilmember Obagi stated that he put $40,000 there because staff had indicated that they would need to consult someone on the bollards.

Public Works Director Andy Winje stated that the City wanted to get a traffic expert to analyze the situation to make sure they had the right size and right protections in place to prevent liability.

Councilmember Obagi recalled the statement that was made regarding the bollards and stated that is why he added $5,000 for the extra work.

Discussion went back to the wayfinding signs and benches; Councilmember Castle asked for the costs of the benches; Councilmember Obagi stated it was $2,500 to replace them or $700-$1,000 to paint them; Councilmember Obagi stated that they put $30,000 in their motion to prioritize the really bad ones and then suggested to budget for the rest next year; Councilmember Castle supported the $30,000.

Mayor Light asked about a compromise to take care of the monument signs that look really bad.

Councilmember Obagi stated that his $96,000 allocation is the cheapest replacement to make the transition to a unified look across the City.

Councilmember Kaluderovic noted that she would support it but was questioning it.

Review of the list moved to the Quimby Funds; Councilmember Behrendt left the dais at 9:40 p.m.returned at 9:41pm; discussion continued to compare the two budget motions which included Public Amenities Commission recommendation, pickleball at Aviation, and fencing at Perry Park.

Councilmember Obagi noted that he didn't want to work off of Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle's motion because he wasn't endorsing it but said if they added money to Perry Park fencing, they could move it over to Aviation pickleball since that was their joint priority project.

Councilmember Kaluderovic moved funds from the Perry Park fencing of $145,000 over to pickleball.

Discussion followed that the bottom line did not change because it was from Quimby money and the benches were added to the monument sign line item on Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle's budget motion; review of both motions continued; Councilmember Obagi noted that the Dale Page Park pickleball court maintenance of $2,500 was not included in the other motion.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated that was her substitute motion.

More discussion followed regarding the $2,500 for maintenance for the Dale Page Park pickleball court.

Councilmember Obagi asked about the $5,000 design services funding for all departments and the tree planting funding.

Councilmember Kaluderovic said no to the design services funding.

More discussion followed regarding planting trees, maintenance of the trees, funds borrowed last year, and whether the PERS needs to be replenished.

Councilmember Obagi mentioned that CalPERS ebbs and flows; hoped that the CalPERS obligation payment would be less, if not extinguished.

Councilmember Castle noted that the Chair for the Budget & Finance Commission was in the audience that evening; stated they have discussed that one of the issues with CalPERS is even in good years, the difference in the City's pension liability versus the assets CalPERS has for the City, sometimes even in a good year the City still has an increase in the unfunded liability; reported that the Budget & Finance Commission recommended that the City increase their reserves; explained that part of what they are trying to do with their budget motion is to provide that cushion; spoke of the conditions of the market and expectations that were not met; stated that if the City is performing better throughout the year they can execute on some of the smaller projects mid-year.

City Manager Witzansky requested that both budget motions be shared with Finance Director Meyer so she could view them side by side and reconcile them because the numbers seemed to high; stated that the only differences were the Aviation parking study and the permit fees.

Councilmember Castle seconded the substitute motion made by Councilmember Kaluderovic.

Mayor Light invited public comment; commented that one budget motion is more frugal than the other.

Councilmember Obagi clarified that their budget motion had no recurring expenditures, that they are one-time expenses, and they build in systemic recurring revenue.

Mara Santos, CEO for Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, spoke of the long-standing history the Chamber has had, noted that they are a non-profit organization with little revenue generating resources; reported that one of their main sources of income is the Super Bowl 10K and, with the additional Usage of Street Fees that have been added, $36,720 is added to the cost of running the event; asked the City to increase the fee waiver for this event so they will be able to hold it at least one more time.
Mickey Johnson, President of the NRBBA, requested that the City reinstate the

Storefront Improvement Program at $50,000 and direct it towards North Redondo; reported that she has had discussions with Councilmember Obagi regarding the interest from businesses for the Storefront Improvement and asked him for two weeks to see if there is interest; spoke of the $480,000 commitment the City has devoted to public art on Artesia and suggested that they clean up the storefronts at the same time; noted that the survey conducted on public art favored murals and that would align with the Storefront Improvement Program.

Joan Irvine, District 1, spoke of the difficult financial decisions the City, Mayor, and Councilmembers need to make; questioned why the City continues to reject the opportunity to generate more than $1 million in recurring annual tax revenue from two regulated cannabis dispensaries; noted that the City already spent many years developing regulations and operational requirements for cannabis; questioned if the City would continue to send tax revenue to neighboring cities, or if the City would create a regulated industry that generates revenue while protecting youth and consumers in 2027; provided percentages of what the City is losing in tax revenue and what they could be generating; requested that the Council reevaluate bringing cannabis dispensaries back into the City; stated if the City does not want to clean the Esplanade then don’t allow dogs on the Esplanade.

Wayne Craig, District 1, said a former Councilmember and Mayor of the City once said he would never raise fees ore cut services until all reasonable alternatives were exhausted; thanked Councilmembers Behrendt, Obagi, and Waller for pushing back on parking for the Riviera; spoke of the importance of encouraging the sections of the City that generate business and asked that they don’t lose sight of what is important; voiced opposition to spending $1.3 million on a gun range; noted that the current gun range does not have a roof and suggested they just put a roof on it and they could use the remaining funds for another project; stated that the City needs to be careful about raising fees.

Mark Hansen reported that the Chamber only has two employees and everyone else is a volunteer; asked that the City Council to show the Chamber some respect for what they do and consider providing some wiggle room for their events before they lose them; reported that he provided the Mayor and Council a list of things the boaters wanted to do in the Harbor and opined it was illogical that the City would not be refilling the Waterfront director position; stated that the Mayor said it would be temporary and he wanted to make sure that was noted; referenced the Harbor Commission regarding work on Mole B, said Mole B had fallen off the CIP but they were assured that it would be put back on, and noticed no money was assigned to it; said he didn’t expect it to be fixed this year but hoped to start funding it; referenced a BRR on doing audits on a cost recovery basis and voiced opposition to that BRR; commented that there is a real danger when auditors are out to make a profit off the audit.

Eugene Solomon, City Treasurer, thanked the Council for including BRR 48 and encouraged the Council to include it if they adopt a motion that evening; referenced the vapor wake dog and reported that it was previously funded out of the Asset Forfeiture

Fund for $35,000, noted that the fund has about $80,000 and suggested they use it; referenced a discussion regarding lift assist fees for the Fire Department; asked that the Council consider a study or examination of charging lift assist fees; explained that the care facilities they are called to are not helping their residents who fall, and instead transferring that liability and cost to the City; reported that Chief Butler has studied it and other cities around the country are imposing fees for lift assist calls for fire responses; spoke in opposition for the parking permit increase, noted that it was $110 four years ago and what they are suggesting will make it $220; stated increasing actually pushes people to park in residential neighborhoods, which greatly impacts the quality of life for residents; suggested they reevaluate the cost of the dining decks and the sidewalk dining because retail space in the Riviera Village is advertised at $10 a foot and a restaurant is even higher as opposed to the $2 a foot they are considering; noted that a better yield per square foot could compensate for the parking permit fees and possibly the lighting in the Riviera Village; stated that another compromise for the parking permit fees would be to extend resident parking to longer hours so they may not surrender their permit.

Mayor Light asked the City Manager if they have lift assist fees already.

City Manager Witzansky replied that they are charging an Emergency Medical Service Fee for lift assist for any call out; reported what he does not know is if the facility (Kensington) or the people residing there are paying the EMS fee of $315.

Mayor Light asked City Treasurer Solomon to clarify if he wanted both the EMS fee and the lift assist fee charged.

City Treasurer Solomon explained the differences between the two services: 1) when perishables are provided that is the paramedic fee, and 2) when a call out does not require any of the perishables but the care provider instructs the staff not to pick up the person and instead does a call out; noted that the discussion with Chief Butler was about a year ago and the RBFD would know more about it.

City Manager Witzansky confirmed that the City is charging the EMS fee of $315 for either scenario.

Assistant City Clerk reported on eComment with no position indicated.

Darryl Boyd (via Zoom), District 3, noted that Councilmember Behrendt mentioned public safety again but commented that the residents at North Prospect Ave. don't seem to qualify for it; noted that trees are being added to 190th St. and Catalina Ave, but not for North Prospect Ave., as promised; thanked Public Works Safety and Sustainability Commissioner Nafissi for speaking up for the residents of 500 to 600 North Prospect Ave. on 4/27/26 at their meeting with the City Manager; stated that it is not only a North Prospect Ave. problem but a Beryl Heights, community, Citywide problem and a quality of life problem; noted that it is well documented that he has been seeking resolutions since October 24th, that District 3 Councilmember Kaluderovic has been silent for the last five Council sessions regarding their situation, and that she did not show support in her budget review to resolve any of their issues; spoke of the other priorities Councilmember Kaluderovic has chosen as priorities for her; stated that they are asking for funding for the installation of speed tables on North Prospect Ave. and installation of a sound and safe wall on the outer perimeter of North Prospect median number 1; spoke of the BCHD plans and opined that BCHD should help with the funding since they are a neighborhood offender; noted that they are asking the City to fix and complete the landscaping on the entire North Prospect Ave. median.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no other speakers.

Mayor Light paused to reassess the remainder of the agenda since it was after 10:00 p.m.; asked if L.2 was needed that evening.

City Manager Witzansky stated that L.2 was needed.

Discussion followed regarding the Master Fee Schedule and that the proposed budget is built on the fees being implemented effective July 1st.

The Council all agreed not to cut anything from the agenda and continue forward.

City Manager Witzansky offered to go through the general points to try to reconcile the two budget motions; stated the differences as: funding for the Aviation Parking study of $55,000 from the General Fund and $1,350 for the RBPAC panel.

Councilmember Obagi pointed out that their budget motion had $20,000 to the General Fund for loss of number of permits sold.

Discussion followed.

City Manager Witzansky continued with the distinctions between the two: logo design services of $7,500, tree planting of $10,000 from the General Fund (in CM Obagi's but not in CM Behrendt's motion), Dale Page Park maintenance of $2,500, both motions are attempting to fund the North Redondo Beach Bike Path restriping plan but one motion has it out of Quimby Funds or other grants (CM Kaluderovic/Castle) and the other one has it out of the General Fund (CM Obagi/Behrendt); reported that they could pursue grants but cannot use Quimby Funds for that project; noted that the NRB Farmers Market bollards is funded for $40,000 in one and not included in the other, the landscaping at South Juanita and Camino Real is funded out of the General Fund (CM Obagi/Behrendt) in one motion and from Quimby in the other motion (CM Kaluderovic/Castle; noted the Citywide monument and Waterfront benches was $126,000 in Councilmembers Kaluderovic and Castle's motion and there are distinctions for the RBPAC monument sign of $24,000 and the $15,000 to hire the third party facilitator for the Annual Performance Review; stated those are all the items he found.

Councilmember Kaluderovic reported that with the changes they just talked about their motion was at $399,847 for the General Fund; stated that, in their motion, the North Redondo Beach striping would be grant funded or not funded, and that means an additional $202,000 goes to pickleball, since in their motion any remaining Quimby Funds go to pickleball.

Councilmember Obagi reported that the NRB Bike Path gets a lot of use at night and it is very dark in the last block going to Dale Page, noted that the owner of Cookie Zombie expressed the need for lighting for improvement and safety for the area.

Councilmember Behrendt stated that it is a safety issue because children use the bike bath and lots of pedestrians use it; stressed the importance of having the restriping and repainting done and the need to be funded through the General Fund.

Councilmember Obagi referenced BRR 42 and noted that no one from the public spoke about the NRB Farmers Market, so if Council wants to delay it until its implemented, or have a 4/5ths vote on it, or bring it back next year, he was fine with removing it.

Councilmember Waller supported delaying it or having a 4/5ths vote later.

Councilmember Obagi held firm on the Aviation parking study, noted that they are seeking restricted transportation funding for it, but as a fallback they need to fund it at $55,000; stated that they took the Perry Park fencing down to $20,000; noted that fencing at Juanita was changed to Subdivision Trust Funds; continued to compare the two motions looking for differences; spoke of the $10,000 for trees is consistent with Tree City USA and beautifying Redondo Beach.

Councilmember Waller voiced support for the tree planting.

Councilmember Obagi reported that their motion ends up with a General Fund balance of $227,297.24.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated theirs is $399,847 and their motion funds pickleball this year for $702,000.

City Manager Witzansky stated that the General Fund numbers were getting more congruous, but the challenges are there are still different spends on a few items.

Councilmember Waller asked Councilmember Obagi about his subsidies regarding the Superbowl 10K race.

Councilmember Obagi explained his stance regarding subsidies; noted that he does not want to give people subsidies so they can make a profit off the City's back.

Discussion followed regarding the fees going from $33,000 to $70,000 for the 10K, the costs for the RBPD and barricades to close the streets, that some costs are to the City and not all towards Street Closure Fees, and the possibility of reducing the amount of street closure they need for the race.

Mayor Light asked how they could document the need for a pro forma when requesting a fee waiver, as Councilmember Obagi suggested.

City Manager Witzansky responded that it could be done at the time of submittal.

Councilmember Waller noted that just for that signature event it is an extra $37,000.

More discussion followed regarding the other signature events the City offers, the history of the Superbowl 10K in Redondo Beach.

Councilmember Obagi said he and his Brown Act partner, Councilmember Behrendt, would be willing to provide a little more money towards the Superbowl 10K, if the Chamber would trim their total mileage down to one half of 6.22 miles to meet them halfway.

Councilmember Waller suggested they at least give the Chamber another $15,000 at least.

Councilmember Behrendt stated that it was a reasonable request, and they would add it to their budget motion if he agreed to join their budget motion; noted that they would present it as their substitute motion to the substitute motion if so.

City Manager Witzansky confirmed that for BRR #8 they were changing the amount from $10,000 to $25,000 based on that discussion and asked that they note it would be an additional subsidy not replacement subsidy; noted that the City has not executed the license yet but, based on planning estimates, the lion share of the City's revenue will be afforded through the Nike run.

More discussion followed regarding the revenues from the other items listed for events having Street Closure Fees.

Councilmember Behrendt stated that, as discussion and explained, Councilmember Obagi provided a substitute to the substitute motion, and he seconded that motion.

Councilmember Waller asked for clarification on items that disagreed with Councilmember Kaluderovic's substitute motion.

Councilmember Obagi stated that their current motion had additional items for the NRB Bike Path, Aviation parking study for $55,000, $10,000 for the trees, and $24,000 for the RBPAC marquee signs.

City Manager Witzansky and Finance Director Meyer noted that the difference was about $172,000 between the two motions.
Some discussion followed.

Mayor Light called the vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES:	Waller, Obagi, Behrendt
NOES:	Castle, Kaluderovic
ABSTAIN:	None

Motion carried 3-2 by roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to close the public hearing.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish read adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2606-043.

L.2. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED USER FEE AMENDMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENTS

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2606-044, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT USER FEES

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2606-045, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT USER FEES

PROCEDURES:
a. Open Public Hearing and take testimony;
b. Close the Public Hearing; and,
c. Adopt by title only Resolution Nos. CC-2606-044 and CC-2606-045

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to open the public hearing.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

City Manager Witzansky stated the item is a carry on and is an essential action for the City to execute the budget motion that was just approved and the fees that are proposed in the hearing materials, which included the Blue Folder; stated that the annual parking meter fee, the adjustment to the City's parking meter rates, citation fees, towing fees, and the $2 a foot minimum slip fees would all come back as part of a subsequent action in July; reported that everything that was included in the proposed budget book was there for execution that evening and was consistent with Council's direction and consistent with the Decision Packages.

Mayor Light asked if any of the changes made that evening impacted either of the items.

City Manager Witzansky responded no, it was clean as published.

Councilmember Waller referenced page 21 of the Master Fee Schedule for appeals; stated he did not want to raise it from $500 to $600 and preferred to keep it as is.

Discussion followed and noted that it would not make a big difference for the budget.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no one online.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to close the public hearing.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Behrendt, to approve the fees as proposed, with the exception of the amendment regarding appeal hearings, and adopt the various resolutions.

Mayor Light called the vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES:	Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote.

Assistant City Clerk read adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2606-044 and adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2606-045

M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None

N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION - None

O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS - None

P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

P.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADOPTION OF THE REVISED CITY COUNCIL RULES OF CONDUCT AND DECORUM ALONG WITH ADDITIONAL UPDATES TO COUNCIL PROCEDURES AND DOCUMENTATION, INCLUDING STARTING CLOSED SESSION DELIBERATIONS AT 4:00 P.M. RATHER THAN 4:30 P.M., UPDATING THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TEMPLATE, AND ESTABLISHING A SCRIPT TO BE UTILIZED WHEN DISRUPTIONS TO CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS OCCUR

CONTACT: LUKE SMUDE, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Witzansky spoke of the item being a team effort by the Mayor, Councilmembers Obagi and Behrendt, the City Attorney's office, City Clerk's office, and Assistant to the City Manager Luke Smude; deferred to the Mayor and Councilmember Behrendt since they spearheaded the effort; stated that staff is comfortable with the documents as proposed, it has been reviewed legally, they are comfortable with the legal ramifications, and they are compliant with the recent change to the Brown Act that goes into effect on July 1st; strongly suggested they adopt the new rules that evening and if anything needs to be revisited it can be done at a later date but it was important that they approve it that evening so the City is compliant with the new requirements with the Senate bill on the Brown Act.

Assistant to the City Manager Smude stated that he had the summary of the Senate Bill 707, as it pertained to the Brown Act compliance, if the Mayor and Council wanted to see it.

Mayor Light summarized the new requirements as: 1) during any public meetings, such as City Council, Commission meetings, etc., they must switch back and forth between people in person and people online, and 2) if the service drops on the remote users, the meeting must stop, a recess taken to try to restore the remote users for up to one hour, and, if all attempts to restore it fails, the body can decide to continue the meeting the evening or continue it to a future session; spoke positively about the team effort involved with the version presented that evening and urged that it be passed that evening; informed that public that they did include information on how it all came about in the original briefing.

Councilmember Waller reported that he found some typos and asked if those could just be considered.

Discussion followed.

City Attorney Ford stated if the motion included discretion to accept Councilmember Waller's edits, the City could incorporate the changes.

Motion by Councilmember Behrendt, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to adopt the revised City Council Rules of Conduct and Decorum along with additional updates to Council procedures and documentation, including starting Closed Session deliberations at 4:00 p.m. rather than 4:30 p.m., updating the City Council agenda template, and establishing a script to be utilized when disruptions to City Council meetings occur, with the proviso that any non-substantive typos may be corrected by staff.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Assistant City Clerk Kalish reported no one online and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Mayor Light noted that it was a historic moment since the City has never had a complete set of rules of conduct.

Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to agendize a discussion regarding the development of an annual process to evaluate crossing guards, the City Crossing Guard Program including existing locations, new requests, and the process to select locations in response to changing demographic and community need.

Councilmember Behrendt noted that the subcommittee agreed to meet next month to discuss the crossing guards and asked that she withdraw her referral.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated that they seem to be at a crossroads and she would prefer the whole body to participate in the discussion.

Discussion followed.

Motion carried 4-1 by voice vote. Councilmember Behrendt was opposed.

Councilmember Behrendt voiced his opposition to the motion; opined that the subcommittee was formed and the process should be followed.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic to discuss possible changes to the Special Event Business Licensing, municipal code, and process; noted it was DP 27 and second by Councilmember Castle.

City Manager Witzansky clarified that it is the Business License waiver process and it needed substantive review; stated that the Finance Department wanted to be involved in it and that providing waivers has become an issue; said he would find time to fit it into the agenda.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Councilmember Kaluderovic spoke about the need to further discuss pickleball; wondered if there was any direction to send the discussion to the Public Amenities Commission.

City Manager Witzansky stated absent a referral, what would naturally happen for staff is a designer would come back with concepts and cost estimates associated with the various amenity possibilities, then staff would discuss operational controls, and would come back to the Council as the next step; stated if the Council wanted the Public Amenities Commission to review it before they see it, a referral would be needed or they could review it first and then refer it to the Commission.

Councilmember Kaluderovic asked the other Councilmembers how they wanted to proceed.

More discussion followed.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to discuss potential facility use policies, including fee waiver, subsidies for recreation programs, youth activities, community organizations, and public uses.

City Manager Witzansky requested that Council give staff some time and put it in the queue since it is part of how the City is recovering fees.

Councilmember Kaluderovic requested that it happen before mid-year.

City Manager Witzansky stated they could achieve that goal; noted that the initial discussion would be an outline structure of how it would work.

More discussion followed.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Motion by Councilmember Behrendt, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to schedule discussion on naming the park along Herondo on July 7th.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

R. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

R.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of Case:
Mehta Mechanical Company v. City of Redondo Beach, and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive Case Number: 25TRCV00677

R.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2).

One potential case (Letter received from the Law Firm Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP dated September 24, 2018, attached as part of the Agenda packet).

R.3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:
David Conroy v. City of Redondo Beach; County of Los Angeles; City of Los Angeles; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive.
Case Number: 26TRCV01630

S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – None

T. ADJOURNMENT – 11:02 P.M.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

The next meeting of the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach will be an Adjourned Regular meeting to be held at 4:00 p.m. (Closed Session) and a Regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. (Open Session) on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, in the Redondo Beach City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

All written comments submitted via eComment are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Respectfully submitted:

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk