



Minutes  
Redondo Beach City Council  
Tuesday, April 14, 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  
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**

Spencer Gibson stated that he grew up in California and reported that his son was murdered by Fentanyl last January 31<sup>st</sup> in the City; reported that his daughter was murdered by the U.S. Navy for being gay 27 years ago; spoke about being on the streets, winning the lottery on July 7, 1977 at Calvary Chapel in Costa Mesa under Chuck Smith and Greg Lowry, and about his past with drugs and alcohol; stated that he along with a physician and partner created a drug called suboxone and apologized that they made it; spoke of the problem not being the drug but the person taking it.

Liaison Bodkin reported no eComments and no Zoom attendees.

### **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:**

**Harold Eng v. SPCAL, LLC; City of Redondo Beach; City of Torrance; and DOES 1 to 25, inclusive**

**Case Number: 26TRCV00857**

- F.2. 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:**

**Neel Karia v. City of Redondo Beach Police Department et al.**

**Case Number: 26TRCV00002**

- 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:**

**Derryl Minner v. City of Redondo Beach**

**Case Number: 26STCP01072**

- F.4. 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:**

**Claudia Siracusa v. City of Redondo Beach, a public entity, et al.**

**Case Number: 26TRCV00905**

- F.5. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.**

**AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:**

**Mike Witzansky, City Manager**

**Katherine Buck, Acting Waterfront & Economic Development Director**

**Luke Smude, Assistant to the City Manager**

**Jon Goetz, Redwood Public Law**

**PROPERTY:**

**Portions of the Redondo Beach Marina Parking Lot and Seaside Lagoon (portions of APN #s: 7503-029-900 and 7503-029-903)**

**NEGOTIATING PARTIES:**

**Allen Sanford, BeachLife Festival**

**UNDER NEGOTIATION:**

**Price and Terms**

**F.6. 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**

Liaison Bodkin read titles to be discussed at Closed Session.

City Manager Witzansky announced the following would be participating in Closed Session: City Manager Mike Witzansky, City Attorney Joy Ford, Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, Human Resources Director Diane Strickfaden, Police Department Captain Jeff Mendence, Public Works Director Andrew Winje, Outside Legal Counsel Joseph Reilly, Acting W.E.D. Director Katherine Buck, Assistant to the City Manager Luke Smude, and Outside Legal Counsel John Goetz.

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to recess to Closed Session at 4:37 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 6:09 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  
Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

Councilmember Obagi reported that he attended all of Closed Session.

**I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

City Manager Witzansky reported that for cases listed under F.1, F.2, F.3, and F.4 the

City Council unanimously authorized the City Attorney to defend the City in each of those matters and they were joined by City Engineer Lauren Sablan under item F.6.

**J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Kaluderovic, to adjourn to the Open Session at 6:10 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 6:10 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  
Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

**C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION**

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

Eve, 7<sup>th</sup> grader at Parras 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 APRIL 19-25, 2026 AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK IN REDONDO BEACH**

Mayor Light invited Library Director Dana Vinke to join him at the podium; provided some background, noted it is an annual observance led by the American Library Association to

recognize the essential role of libraries and library professionals; reported that Redondo Beach has two libraries: Main Library and North Branch Library; noted they had over 200,000 visitors last year, registered over 5,000 new library cards, and circulated over 300,000 materials; recognized the Friends of the Library for their support in expanding programs, resources, and opportunities for the City; highlighted the Express Hours program the Library launched at the North Branch that allows qualified patrons to access the library earlier than the general operating hours; encouraged everyone to visit either library location to explore what they have to offer; proclaimed, on behalf of the residents, City Council, and himself, April 19<sup>th</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup> National Library Week.

Library Director Vinke thanked the Mayor and Council on behalf of the Library for their continued support and recognition; acknowledged the dedication of the Public Amenities Commission and Friends of the Redondo Beach Library.

Mayor Light asked the members of the Library to stand to be recognized.

Mayor Light moved onto AB1234 Travel Expenses; reported attending the Cal Cities Conference, noted he was a panelist, met with the Department of Boating and Waterways' representatives to discuss the City's future boat ramp; stated the City is looking for them to vote for funding for the ramp; reported he met with their Assemblymember, Al Muratsuchi, and Cal Cities regarding the City's bill that is going to be presented in front of the Housing Committee; stated they received the approval from the County to open the Dominguez Park Playground, attended the opening days of the City's two yacht clubs, and participated in the City's Strategic Planning Session.

Councilmember Waller reported that he attended the Clean Power Lines Board of Director's Meeting, stated the Riviera Village Business Improvement District has a mixer, attended the SBCCOG's legislative briefing via Zoom, the NRBBA's Rise and Shine, the Chamber's Network Café, and the King Harbor Yacht Club opening day; announced the Chamber would be having a mixer at Springfest Thursday evening and reported the theme would be Neon Night; announced the Earth Day celebration would be at Wilderness Park on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and there would be vegan food from Lil' Vegerie; congratulated the RBPD's Baker to Vegas Team which finished 3<sup>rd</sup> for the second year in a row.

Councilmember Castle reported all of District 2's spring events are kicking off: Port Royal Yacht Club Opening Day was Saturday, King Harbor Yacht Club Opening Day was Sunday, and the day before he attended a panel hosted by a community collective where they discussed global sports and the impacts they have on local businesses; noted LA Galaxy head coach, Tom Braun, was a panelist; announced that South Bay Parklands Conservancy would be hosting an Earth Day event at Wilderness Park on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the King Harbor Association would be hosting a Chalk Art Challenge by the California Surf Club along the sea walls on Saturday, and the Marina District of the Women's Club is hosting their 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Redondo Beach also on Saturday; announced on Sunday there would be a King Harbor and Pier cleanup as part of the Earth Day celebration.

Councilmember Kaluderovic reported she attended the Executive Committee for Regional Homeless Alignment for LA County advocating on behalf of cities regarding homeless services; stated she hosted a Community Meeting at Perry Allison Playfield to discuss a variety of topics including crossing guards; announced she would be hosting a crossing guard focused meeting for families but the date is TBD; announced she would be opening the teen talent contest at Springfest on Friday night.

Councilmember Obagi thanked Lila Omura and her response team; explained a situation where a former neighbor of his lost his business, was ousted from the home they were renting, and he and his family were living in a hotel; reported that they were on the brink of being homeless and out of money but Lila stepped in to assist; stated that he received an email from this person thanking him, Lila, and her team; announced to everyone that it is far less expensive for the City, and the region, to respond to people before they become homeless than if they wait and become homeless, urged people to reach out to the City's Housing Department if they are struggling; spoke about the Pillars of Safety, Part 2, Joint Meeting he had with Councilmember Behrendt and RBF Chief Butler and announced that Councilmember Behrendt will let everyone know when the next Pillars of Public Safety will take place.

Councilmember Behrendt announced they would be having a Pillars of Public Safety, Part 3, on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the RBPAC; reported that City Attorney Joy Ford would be their special guest and refreshments would be served.

Councilmember Obagi stated that both their State Assemblymember and their State Senator are termed out so people may hear about political events taking place; encouraged everyone to get educated on who's running, where events are taking place, and learn more about the plans and goals of the candidates; stressed it will be an important election for the City.

Mayor Light reported that he had been elected as the SoCal Association of Governments Regional rep.

## **E. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA**

City Manager Witzansky stated that staff would like to pull item H.17 and bring it back for the April 21<sup>st</sup> City Council meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to approve the order of agenda as listed with the exception of H.17, which will be brought back at a future meeting.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

## **F. AGENCY RECESS**

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to recess

to the Regular Meeting of the Community Financing Authority at 6:30 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

**F.1. REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY FINANCING AUTHORITY**

**F.2. PARKING AUTHORITY - REGULAR MEETING - CANCELLED**

**RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING FROM AGENCY MEETING – 6:32 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  
Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

**G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS**

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

Liaison Bodkin reported Blue Folder items for H.10, H.19, J.1, and L.1.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, 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 APRIL 14, 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. MARCH 3, 2026 ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING**  
**B. MARCH 10, 2026 ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING**

**CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK**

- H.4. PAYROLL DEMANDS**  
**CHECKS 30580-30589 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,184.56, PD. 3/27/26**  
**DIRECT DEPOSIT 309279-309926 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,421,288.73, PD. 3/27/26**  
**EFT/ACH \$11,120.18, PD. 3/13/26 (PP2606)**  
**EFT/ACH \$496,185.65, PD. 3/23/26 (PP2605)**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS**  
**CHECKS 124074-124251 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,388,269.89**  
**EFT CALPERS MEDICAL INSURANCE \$570,279.25**  
**EFT LA COUNTY DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH \$43,000.00**  
**EFT CITYGATE ASSOCIATES, LLC \$2,418.75 (INVOICE #32061)**  
**DIRECT DEPOSIT 100010329-100010416 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$109,632.47, PD.4/1/26**  
**REPLACEMENT DEMANDS 124072-124073**

**CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

- H.5. APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER \$35,000:**  
**1. APPROVE A CHECK-IN CENTER PLAN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK FOR USE OF THE REDONDO BEACH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER PARKING LOT (5 SPACES) FOR ELECTION WORKERS TO CHECK IN ELECTION MATERIALS FOR THE JUNE 2, 2026 STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION AT NO COST AND THE TERM MAY 23, 2026 TO JUNE 2, 2026**

**CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK**

**2. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH CHAMP CAMP LLC FOR YOUTH SKATEBOARDING INSTRUCTION CLASSES AND CAMPS AT PAD 10 SKATE PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,900 FOR THE TERM APRIL 15, 2026 TO APRIL 14, 2027 WITH TWO AUTOMATIC ONE-YEAR EXTENSIONS**

**CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR**

**3. APPROVE A CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH HADRONEX, INC. DBA SMARTCOVER SYSTEMS TO BADGER METER, INC. FOR WASTEWATER MONITORING AND REPAIR SERVICES WITH NO CHANGE IN COMPENSATION AND FOR THE EXISTING TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2029**

**CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

**4. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH FOSTER & FOSTER CONSULTING ACTUARIES, INC. FOR POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS ACTUARIAL SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$26,000 FOR THE TERM APRIL 15, 2026 TO DECEMBER 31, 2027**

**CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

**5. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH COMMERCIAL BUILDING MANAGEMENT (CBM) INCORPORATED FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES IN CITY FACILITIES TO REFLECT THE CORRECT REGISTERED NAME OF THE ENTITY, WITH NO CHANGE IN COST OR TERM**

**CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

**H.6. APPROVE FUNDING AGREEMENT #920000000M460115 BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000,000 FOR THE RIVIERA VILLAGE PEDESTRIAN AND MULTI-MODAL ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING, ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, AND PROJECT DESIGN**

**CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

**H.7. APPROVE FUNDING AMENDMENT NO. 3 BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL \$300,000 FOR THE FINAL INTERSECTIONS INCLUDED IN THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL COMMUNICATION AND NETWORK SYSTEM - PHASE 1 PROJECT, BRINGING THE PROJECT FUNDING TOTAL TO \$5,300,000**

**CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

**H.8. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY, RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-018 OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING THE CITY ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND FILE A REPORT PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972 SECTIONS 22500 ET SEQ. OF THE CALIFORNIA STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE DESCRIBING THE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF STREET LIGHTS AND LANDSCAPING IN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027**

**CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

**H.9. APPROVE CITY COMMISSION APPLICATION DEADLINES FOR NEW TERMS AS FOLLOWS:**

**1. THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SET THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2026, AT 5:30 P.M AS THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS (<http://www.redondo.org/commissionapp>) FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COMMISSIONS;**

**2. THAT A NOTICE REGARDING ALL VACANCIES BE PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICAL NEWSPAPER OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, POSTED AT CITY HALL'S BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE NEAR THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE;**

**3. THAT A MEETING BE SCHEDULED ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M. TO INTERVIEW APPLICANTS FOR VACANT POSITIONS;**

**4. THAT COUNCILMEMBERS SUBMIT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE MAYOR BY THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2026;**

**5. THAT THE MAYOR MAKE COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS AT THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M.; AND**

**6. THAT THE CITY CLERK ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW AND RETURNING COMMISSIONERS AT THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026, AND THAT THE CITY CLERK SCHEDULE A COMMISSIONERS' ORIENTATION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026.**

**CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK**

**H.10. AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 2741, WHICH IF APPROVED BY THE STATE, WOULD PROMPT A REEVALUATION OF HOW THE STATE ASSESSES LOCAL ZONING TOOLS AND HOW CITIES REGAIN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE HOUSING PLANNING REQUIREMENTS**

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF OPPOSITION UNLESS AMENDED TO SENATE BILL 866, WHICH IF APPROVED BY THE STATE, WOULD REQUIRE CITIES TO ADD ADDITIONAL HOMELESSNESS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS TO THEIR HOUSING ELEMENTS**

**RECEIVE AND FILE A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MOTION TO REFORM AND INTEGRATE MENTAL HEALTHCARE WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICES SYSTEM**

**CONTACT:** JANE CHUNG, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER

- H.11. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF JUSTFOIA PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE AND IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES FROM MCCI LLC FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM WITH A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST OF \$71,142**

**CONTACT:** ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK  
MIKE COOK, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

- H.12. APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2026 CASE BACKHOE MODEL 580SN 4WD FROM SONSRAY MACHINERY FOR USE BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$180,383**

**CONTACT:** ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.13. ADOPT BY 4/5THS VOTE AND BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-015, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING A 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET MODIFICATION TO APPROPRIATE \$17,108 IN DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES, RECYCLING AND RECOVERY (“CALRECYCLE”) GRANT FUNDS TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANTS FUND**

**CONTACT:** ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.14. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-016, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MANAGER OR THEIR DESIGNEE, TO ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES AND PROVIDE NOTICES TO RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS REGARDING CONTRACTING FOR SERVICES UNDER AB 339**

**CONTACT:** DIANE STRICKFADEN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

- H.15. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH C J CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR SIDEWALK REPAIR SERVICES INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$600,000 FOR A NEW TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$1,180,000**

**CONTACT:** ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.16. RECEIVE AND FILE THE CITY ATTORNEY AUTHORIZATION REPORT FOR SETTLEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$25,000**

**CONTACT:** JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

**H.17. Pulled by City Manager Witzansky and City staff**

**H.18. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH PEGASUS STUDIOS TO ADD \$100,800 IN FUNDING TO CONTINUE AUDIO/VISUAL SERVICES FOR THE LIVE BROADCASTING OF ALL CITY COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AND SPECIAL MEETINGS AND TO EXTEND THE TERM FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR THROUGH APRIL 16, 2027**

**CONTACT: MIKE COOK, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR**

**H.19. APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX WAIVER APPLICATION REQUESTING AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPLIANCE WITH THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX RATES ESTABLISHED IN REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 6-1.22, AS PER SECTION 6-1.08 OF THE CODE, SUBMITTED BY CHRISTOPHER YATES FOR A PERFORMANCE AND ACTIVITY SUPPORTING THE CITY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 26, 2026 AT THE REDONDO BEACH HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

**CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

**H.20. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-017, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT POLICY AND PAY PLAN FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES**

**CONTACT: DIANE STRICKFADEN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

**H.21. APPROVE THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX WAIVER APPLICATION REQUESTING AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPLIANCE WITH THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX RATES ESTABLISHED IN REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 6-1.22, AS PER SECTION 6-1.08 OF THE CODE, SUBMITTED BY THE NORTH REDONDO BEACH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION FOR THE SPRINGFEST REDONDO BEACH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL TO TAKE PLACE APRIL 16-19, 2026 AT THE REDONDO BEACH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR H.22. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH KEYSER MARSTON ASSOCIATES, INC. (KMA) TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST THE CITY IN DOCUMENTING THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT TERMS FOR THE 43-UNIT RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENT PROJECT LOCATED AT 122 AND 126 NORTH PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000 (PAID BY THE DEVELOPER) AND THE TERM APRIL 14, 2026 THROUGH APRIL 13, 2027**

**CONTACT:** MARC WIENER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve H.1 through H.22, with the exception of H.17 which has been continued to a future meeting.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Ron Maroko, District 3, questioned an item on H.4 in the amount of \$14,994 to sit and sleep 20 on the Consent Calendar and wanted to know the full description for that amount.

Liaison Bodkin reported no attendees on Zoom and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Liaison Bodkin read titles to items H.8 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-018, H.13 adopt by 4/5<sup>th</sup> vote and by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-015, H.14 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-016, and H.20 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-017.

**I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

**H.17. APPROVE THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH COVINGTON & BURLING, LLP FOR LEGAL SERVICES**

**CONTACT:** JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

City Manager Witzansky stated they will have this item back on April 21, 2026 with some modifications.

**J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

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

Otis Schlaff, student at Jefferson Elementary, thanked the City Council for listening to him and his classmates and making their route to school safer by approving the pilot program to put a crossing guard at Ford and Aviation; stated it has only been two days and he and his sisters feel much safer getting to school; said he feels proud that they were able to make a difference in their community; presented the City Council with a thank you card they made.

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

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Lucy Schlaff thanked the Mayor and City Council for the crossing guard at Ford and Aviation; commented that it is very busy there and people feel very happy to be able to walk and ride to school.

Group of three girls thanked the Mayor and City Council for the crossing guard at Ford and Aviation.

Carolina Pierce, Margot Schlaff, and Tess Corral thanked the Mayor and City Council for the crossing guard at Ford and Aviation that keeps them safe.

Ray Lawson, Carpenters of the Western States Council, reported they come every year to speak about tax fraud and wage theft; read an article regarding an incident where 180 employees were underpaid on two affordable housing projects that occurred in San Diego; reported that Innovative Wall Systems (dba Altered Drywall) agreed in a civil lawsuit to pay \$790,000 in back wages and fines; stated that is just one example of things that happen in the construction industry; noted that Latinos make up the majority of the framing and drywall industry in California so they are disproportionately affected by wage theft and workplace protection violations; stated they are told that City Managers and City Attorneys check the contractors and developers but that is not always the case and wanted to make the City Council aware of what is happening; hoped that something could be done about the workplace conditions.

German Soria, Carpenters Union in the South Bay, stated April 10<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> the United Brotherhood of Carpenters participate in the tax fraud days of action to bring awareness; reported that just in the South Bay they represent 5,000 carpenters from LAX to Long Beach; noted that many members have reported making less than \$15 per hour and are hired by labor brokers; stated they are just trying to help people get their fair share; commented that the tax dollars they contribute go towards measures such as FP and they strongly support those builds; said they are hoping to see more opportunities for the workers in the community.

Jesus Camargo, Western State Regional Council Carpenter, stated when the contractors pay the workers in cash and not by the book it hurts everyone; highlighted that it affects the First Responders, maintenance of the beaches, and other City measures so people need to be aware of how tax fraud affects all of us.

Corey Crockerham, Western States Carpenters Union, thanked the Council for the crossing guard at Ford and Aviation; reported that the construction industry tax fraud is stealing the future of our community roads, First Responder systems, public transit, schools, and hospitals; stated that billions of dollars meant for infrastructure is lost every year because of dishonest contractors who exploit workers and dodge taxes; said the Western States Carpenters Local 91 is taking a stand against the corrupt businesses from April 6<sup>th</sup> through April 18<sup>th</sup>; asked that when things aren't being met, such as more equipment for First Responders, improving roads, schools, libraries, and hospitals, people think of tax fraud; stated the future belongs to those that build it the right way.

Bill Hallett, Hermosa Beach resident, reported that in the last four months he has had four

heart attacks; stated that Hermosa Beach, Palm Springs, Redondo Beach, and Torrance have all responded; said when he tried to make sure his insurance covered his costs he found that Redondo Beach does not take insurance payments; asked why the City does not take medical insurance and when he called the number given for Redondo Beach a woman named Bernadette said it is a new policy; stated that the person who the RBFDF responds to has to pay for the service and that no other city does it that way; asked that the City Council look into it since they are the only City that does not honor insurance.

Mickey Johnson, NRBBA, stated that the NRBBA is grateful that the City has included Springfest as a City sponsored signature event for the 44<sup>th</sup> year and thanked all the Councilmembers who volunteered to emcee parts of the entertainment; reported that over 200 students from Redondo, Manhattan, Lawndale, and Torrance are helping with new programming and listed some of the ideas provided by the students; named some of the sponsors of the event, entertainment, and food and beverage offerings; thanked the elected officials and City staff for all the help and invited everyone to join them Thursday through Sunday at the RBPAC.

Ron Maroko, District 3, announced the City's birthday party on April 25<sup>th</sup> at Dominguez Park between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.; encouraged the City to get the consent to make Wilderness Park a historic landmark.

David Kruskal, Program Manager at the Disability Community Resource Center (DCRC), reported that he manages the services for Redondo Beach, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood; provided some background information regarding DCRC and the various services they offer; announced that they would be having a big event in October to celebrate DCRC's 50<sup>th</sup> year and would provide the promotional materials to the City; noted they are the second independent living center to open in the country and they do a lot of events and outreach; said they would appreciate any referrals from the City.

Liaison Bodkin reported no attendees on Zoom and no eComments.

Mayor Light thanked the Union representatives for acting professionally.

## **K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Light reported speaking with the City Manager and having surface level discussions with several Councilmembers.

Councilmember Waller reported having a discussion with the Mayor.

Councilmember Castle reported speaking with the City Manager.

Councilmember Kaluderovic reported speaking to the Mayor.

Councilmember Obagi reported none.

Councilmember Behrendt reported speaking with the Mayor and staff.

## **L. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **L.1. PUBLIC HEARING TO SOLICIT INPUT ON THE PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

#### **PROCEDURE:**

- a. Open the Public Hearing and take testimony;**
- b. Solicit input on the public service grant recommendations and the draft FY 2026-27 Annual Action Plan; and**
- c. Continue the Public Hearing to May 12, 2026**

**CONTACT:** ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

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

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Community Services Director Hause noted that Deputy Community Services Director Kelly Orta was joining her that evening; stated that Deputy Director Orta manages the Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG); reported that, as a recipient of those CDBG funds, the City is required to develop an Annual Action Plan which is what they are presenting that evening; explained that their plan reflects what they have already identified in the City's Consolidated Plan which was recently adopted but also provides details on CDBG activities and funding allocations.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta reported that that evening's public hearing was one of two public hearings for the item; stated they are required to annually come before the City Council to provide their action plan so the Council has an opportunity to approve the allocations being proposed for the City's CDBG funding for the upcoming FY (2026-27); reported that the original estimate that the City received from HUD was \$266,048 but they received their final allocation letter last week and they are actually receiving close to \$290,000; noted that when they come back for their final public hearing they will have updated numbers but for that evening they are working off of the original estimate of \$266,048; reiterated that the Annual Action Plan includes all their planned activities for the upcoming FY, which are the same goals identified in their 5-Year Consolidated Plan; provided a bar-graph slide showing the history of CDBG funding from 2010 to 2025, noted that they have remained consistent in cost and consistent in the amount they receive in standard funding; reported that HUD requires a certain allocation of funding to be spent on certain services and administrative costs; provided a pie-chart showing staff's proposed allocation breakdown: \$132,932 towards Public Facilities, \$53,209 towards Administration/Fair Housing, \$39,907 towards Public Service Agencies, and \$40,000 towards MA/ER Program.

Councilmember Waller asked if the amounts would stay the same even if they receive extra funding.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta explained that Administration/Fair Housing have a 15% or 20% cap and the MA/ER they keep standard at \$40,000 so the other two pieces may be increased.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta continued with her presentation; provided a slide showing staff's proposed public service agencies funding and the recommended breakdown of funds as follows:

- Project: NEEDS (St. Paul's United Methodist Church) - \$9,179
- 1736 Family Crisis Center - \$9,179
- Disability Community Resource Center - \$7,183
- Venice Family Clinic - \$7,183
- Harbor Interfaith Services - \$7,183

Deputy Community Services Director Orta stated typically in December staff sends out a notice for applications to organizations that would be eligible for CDBG funding, those organizations apply for their funding by listing out the services they would provide with the funding, how the services meet the goals outlined in the City's 5-Year Consolidated Plan, and then staff drafts the recommended allocation presented before the City Council; noted that the numbers may change slightly with the increase in allocation; gave an overview of required HUD guidelines and timeline:

- 30-Day Public Review Period (April 3-May 4)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing (April 14)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing (May 12)
- Deadline for AAP Submittal (May 15)

Deputy Community Services Director Orta reported that there are physical copies of the draft plan for the public to view in certain locations throughout the City; hoped to receive approval of the adopted plan with the updated numbers on May 12<sup>th</sup>; concluded the presentation with staff's recommendations: 1) Open the public hearing and take testimony, 2) Solicit input on the public service grant recommendations and draft plan, and 3) continue the public hearing to May 12<sup>th</sup>; reiterated that some of the City's subrecipients were in the audience if they had any questions for them.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated that many of the services listed are part of the City's enhanced response to homelessness and asked if the consultants they are working with collaborate with the City Attorney's office.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta responded that with the CDBG funding staff looks at what is outlined in their agreement with that organization; noted there may be some overlap of services but the City is only providing reimbursement costs for the

specific services outlined in the specific agreement, stated they aren't paying double for services.

City Attorney Ford agreed that they do not overlap with the services the City receives in their response to homelessness.

Councilmember Kaluderovic confirmed that funds don't overlap but the services may complement with the work the City is already doing; asked Mr. Ramon if he wanted to speak about it.

Ramon Rendon, Harbor Interfaith Services, stated that they do complement the services the City pays for when it comes to the pallet shelter; said when it comes to the well being of anyone living on the streets they will support them however they can with CDBG funds; noted that flex funds are extremely important and necessary when it comes to homeless services.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Javier Beltran, Deputy Director at Housing Rights Center, stated that they are one of the contractors for the CDBG funding and wanted to provide some information on what they do as a Fair Housing advocate service provider; reported that they have been providing Redondo Beach with outreach and education services, such as tenant/landlord workshops, housing education, material distribution, and direct referrals, for some time; reported that this year they have 110 intakes currently and 20 discrimination matters, which shows there's still a need for housing and fair housing services; stated they did settle a case successfully last year where they sued a housing provider in Redondo Beach for discriminating against four Section 8 tenants.

Liaison Bodkin reported no Zoom attendees and no eComments.

Mayor Light reported that Council did not have any direction to staff on changes to the plan.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to continue the public hearing to May 12, 2026.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

**M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None**

**N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION**

**N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF FEE WAIVERS FOR THE NORTH REDONDO BEACH CERTIFIED FARMERS MARKET TO BE HELD ON GREEN LANE IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF ARTESIA BOULEVARD**

**CONTACT: JANE CHANG, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER  
ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR**

Jane Chung, Assistant to the City Manager, provided an overview of her presentation regarding the North Redondo Beach Certified Farmers Market organized by OurNRB; reported that OurNRB is the 501(c)(3) community driven project and their main goal is to help the North Redondo Beach area maintain and beautify the AACAP; stated that proceeds will be reinvested in the maintenance and beautification of the area.

Councilmember Behrendt asked for clarification on all the funds being reinvested.

Jane Chung responded that is how staff understands it plus any funding decisions will be guided by community input; reported that the Farmers Market would start off as a pilot program beginning on April 22<sup>nd</sup> through October 28<sup>th</sup> of this year, it will occur every Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and it will be located along Green Lane between Artesia Blvd. and Vanderbilt Lane; noted that the pilot program currently includes 30 to 45 vendors and it is limited to food and nursery products; provided a slide with the site map of the Farmers Market; noted that City staff has worked closely with OurNRB on permit requirements, operational considerations, and site logistics and that staff evaluated the potential impacts to City services; pointed out that the Farmers Market will be located between the Community Services offices and the North Branch Library but those will operate as normal and the City has taken measures to avoid disruptions but they will monitor the situation weekly for operational impacts; provided a slide that listed the various permit and fee waiver types and reported the total would be an estimated cost of \$2,365.

Mayor Light asked if the No Parking signs listed would be permanently installed.

City Manager Witzansky replied yes, similar to the signs they have for the Riviera Village Farmers Market which show restricted hours to accommodate the Market.

Jane Chung continued the presentation; reported that the City's Municipal Code Section 4-17.16 allows certain permit fees to be waived by the City Council; stated that staff supports having all the fees listed waived except business licenses since those help the City to track sales tax activity and report it accurately.

Mayor Light asked if they do that with the other farmers markets in the City.

City Manager Witzansky stated it varies and since the City collects a percentage of gross sales with their own market they generally waive the annual renewal fee but are collecting it for new vendors for the Riviera Village Farmers Market; said from a policy standpoint they would like to bring it back as part of the referral discussion to address spot market activities, short term basis, and supported collecting the full fee from vendors that are selling on a 6 to 12 month basis; clarified that the City does have a couple of different structures with their three different farmers markets in the community.

Discussion followed.

Jane Chung provided staff's recommendations to City Council as follows:

1. Approve waiving \$2,365 in fees for the 6-month pilot program; and
2. Provide direction on waiving the business license fees.

Mayor Light asked if that is the only approval needed for the Farmers Market.

City Manager Witzansky said the rest of the Market activities are subject to administrative oversight and that the market logistics have cleared all of the City's public safety and traffic control hurdles; noted that Director Hause and her department along with the Public Safety Team, Traffic Engineer Ryan Liu, and Public Works' Mike Klein fast tracked the proposed concept and they are comfortable with the proposed plan on a pilot basis; stated the Council's role that evening is public discussion about operations and logistics and input on the final fee requests.

Mayor Light asked if there were any concerns regarding parking for the Library or Community Services being tied up by people going to the Farmers Market.

Community Services Director Hause responded that is part of the signage cost and they are hoping that they can use the extra funds towards adding signage in those lots stating Parking Only for Patrons or Visitors to Community Services or the Library.

Discussion followed on how to monitor and enforce the parking situation; it was noted that signatures were received from all the nearby residents that would be impacted by the Market.

Mayor Light applauded the OurNRB for taking the initiative and finding a solution.

Teresa Mitchell thanked the City staff, Mayor, and the City Council for all their support and guidance; stated that they chose a farmers market because they wanted to designate a community space in North Redondo where people could gather; reported that the location of Green is shown in the AACAP as a possibility for a plaza area so they decided it would be a good test case using the farmers market there and eventually that space can become a closed plaza area; stated their biggest goal is to bring people to Artesia Blvd.; reported that there is research that shows 70% to 80% of farmers market patrons also spend money at adjacent businesses and stimulate other benefits as well; noted that they set up the OurNRB in order to invest proceeds back into the AACAP area and they mirrored the Riviera Village Association's bylaws; reported that the South Redondo and Hermosa Beach farmers markets are comparable in size and number of vendors and they gross about \$1,500 to \$2,000 per week; said what they have seen from other markets is that once they are established about \$40,000 to \$50,000 gets reinvested into the community.

Mayor Light asked if the OurNRB would be coordinating with the City when they are reinvesting in public art or trees.

Teresa Mitchell replied yes, and noted in the bylaws the reinvested money is restricted geographically to the AACAP District; noted that the beautification or social programming will be based on current need and by membership vote, membership is restricted to those living within a half mile of the AACAP area.

Mayor Light voiced concern that the City has kicked off an art strategy for ARTesia and he didn't want it to conflict with what the OurNRB does.

Teresa Mitchell reported that they have spoken to Councilmember Obagi and they would potentially supplement items that the City is not able to fund if they have enough revenue.

City Manager Witzansky stated that any reinvestment in public right-of-way must be accepted and approved by the City through their own policies and the OurNRB would not be able to do anything without the City's consent unless it is done in a business area or on private property.

Teresa Mitchell said there would be input from the community including businesses, the City staff, Public Works, and Council on reinvestment items.

Mayor Light asked staff if something catastrophic was to happen regarding the Farmers Market would they have to wait the six-month duration to address it.

City Manager Witzansky stated no, it is a special event permit so if they had significant concerns for public safety or traffic, they have a mechanism to take action if needed.

Teresa Mitchell reported that they have a walk through scheduled for Thursday with the market manager, Director Hause, and Director Vinke.

Councilmember Obagi thanked Teresa Mitchell for the leadership and initiative in carrying the plan forward; acknowledged it was Jim Mueller's desire first to have a farmers market but she took action; recognized all the people involved as well; thanked City staff and leadership for knowing what the City Council wants to see on Artesia Blvd., noted that the City Council had not formally opined on the farmers market but City Manager Witzansky kept him updated and City staff moved quickly to make it happen.

Discussion followed regarding paper fliers and digital fliers; noted that it is not a City hosted event so it would not go on the City's website.

Councilmember Obagi asked that the OurNRB coordinate with the City on ideas in case the City could also help fund them if they coincide with City plans.

Councilmember Behrendt thanked everyone who helped make the Farmers Market happen; asked Teresa Mitchell if she had any revenue estimates.

Teresa Mitchell responded that they had studied the three local markets; reported that Riveira Village grosses about \$110,000 a year and Hermosa Beach and Veterans Park gross about \$70,000 to \$75,000 per year; noted that their hours are unique since they are after school and after work and conservatively estimated they would gross about \$1,500 per week or \$75,000 per year; to answer Councilmember Behrendt's question on tracking revenue, she stated that the market manager, Leslie Primero, will track the revenue from the Farmers Market and that her fee is \$350 per week; noted that if the proceeds from the Market hits \$1,500 or more she gets a 5% bonus of the proceeds.

Councilmember Behrendt asked if there were any other overhead expenses for the non-profit.

Teresa Mitchell responded that they have the ongoing permit fees for the Health Department and Department of Agriculture which together are \$1,000 per year but the biggest expense are the traffic barriers that are \$850 to \$1,000 per week; stated they are planning to supplement the barrier fees by advertising on the back of the barriers and have been reaching out to local businesses; spoke about sponsorships they have received for startup costs.

Discussion followed regarding the costs and how they will break even or generate revenue; reported that everyone involved in the non-profit are volunteers and are not paid; more discussion followed regarding the traffic flow during the Farmers Market, noted that Green was chosen because it is not a through street on the north side.

Councilmember Behrendt referenced the apartment building where one of the residences won't be able to go in or exit during the Farmers Market and asked if that resident was contacted.

Teresa Mitchell explained the logistics of that apartment building; reported that the residents of that apartment building were excited about the Farmers Market and approved the closing of the street unanimously.

Councilmember Waller said the origins of the item were very similar to the origins of Keep the Esplanade Beautiful where people acted instead of complained; supported the fee waivers proposed by staff; noted that in the bylaws it requires an odd number of Board Members and that has been a problem for RVA in the past and said they might want to revisit that and make modifications; asked how many Board Members they have.

Teresa Mitchell reported that they have six Board Members: Jim Mueller, Desiree Galassi, Wayne Craig, Nahal Sharifi, Daniella Wodnicki, and herself.

Councilmember Kaluderovic congratulated the group; voiced concern with the parking at the Library and Community Services building and asked if they have thought of any solutions in the event it becomes an issue.

Teresa Mitchell reported that they have reached out to local businesses to secure vendor

parking to alleviate taking street parking and they are in final negotiations with some of the businesses to use their parking; noted that the Community Services building closes at 5:30 p.m.; explained that they are trying to create maps to provide options for people to get to the Market and they are working with the Bike Coalition, looking at transit, and checking walking times; stated that after they secure the vendor parking they will work with other businesses to see if they will share parking; reported that they have been doing a lot of outreach.

Discussion followed.

Councilmember Obagi noted there could be symbiosis between the Farmers Market and the North Branch Library.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve the staff recommended fee waivers.

Councilmember Castle congratulated OurNRB as one of the latest non-profits to address an issue that residents have in Redondo Beach.

Teresa Mitchell reported that Supervisor Holly Mitchell's office reached out to Councilmembers Behrendt and Obagi to offer to come to the ribbon cutting and give a commendation for the efforts; mentioned they discussed having a ribbon cutting on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Rick McQuillin, Manhattan Beach, spoke about the location and time of the North Redondo Beach Farmers Market possibly being easier for some residents from neighboring cities or coming from work to access.

Mickey Johnson, NRBBA, stated NRBBA is honored to be a sponsor of the NRB Farmers Market and that they support the City waiving the fees and permits; noted it will activate their team on a weekly basis, create a sense of community, and activate the businesses around it; stated that the NRBBA will promote the program and work with the businesses so they can take advantage of it.

Liaison Bodkin reported no Zoom attendees and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

## **O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**

City Manager Witzansky recognized Gary Laolagi who is a 38-year Public Works Facilities Manager for the City and has been an outstanding employee for nearly four decades; announced Gary Laolagi would be retiring that week and would let the Council know when they would be honoring him; noted that he was awarded Employee of the Year early in

the year; recognized Charles Eder, a principal engineer in the Public Works Department in the Engineering Services Division, for being instrumental in working with the County to reopen Dominguez Park Playground; recognized Jonathan Monroy, Humberto Conrique, and Jorge Garcia from Public Works for building and installing the City's historic windows and window casings at the Veterans Library; recognized Adrian Godinez and Steven Shell for their efforts in responding to wind and rain events that resulted in a lot of weekend and overtime palm frond cleanup.

**P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS - None**

**Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF**

Mayor Light requested a BRR for recommendation on business license fees.

City Manager Witzansky stated he would give the Mayor and Council a BRR on the annual aggregate tallies of the waivers and what will naturally follow is a policy discussion and adjustments to the ordinance.

Mayor Light requested a BRR to look at adopting a similar model to the soccer fields at Aviation for the pickleball facility at Aviation, a partnership with a private entity to do the upkeep instead of City staff.

City Manager Witzansky stated they will explore some options and mentioned staff was also looking into Torrance's Sourcewell approach for construction of the new facility.

Councilmember Obagi requested a BRR of pickleball vs tennis at Alta Vista for April and May to get an idea of the revenue generation and another BRR for the cost to update the Police cars and Fire Department trucks with the Redondo Beach logo.

Councilmember Kaluderovic requested a BRR to replace the fencing that has not been replaced at Dominguez Park near the K-9 training facility, fencing at Perry Allison Playfield, and Alta Vista (which was added by Mayor Light).

Discussion followed regarding which fences needed to be replaced.

**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:**

**Harold Eng v. SPCAL, LLC; City of Redondo Beach; City of Torrance; and DOES 1 to 25, inclusive**

**Case Number: 26TRCV00857**

**R.2. 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: Neel Karia v. City of Redondo Beach Police Department et al.  
Case Number: 26TRCV00002**

- 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:  
Derryl Minner v. City of Redondo Beach  
Case Number: 26STCP01072**

- R.4. 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: Claudia Siracusa v. City of Redondo Beach, a public entity, et al.  
Case Number: 26TRCV00905**

- R.5. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.**

**AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:  
Mike Witzansky, City Manager  
Katherine Buck, Acting Waterfront & Economic Development Director  
Luke Smude, Assistant to the City Manager  
Jon Goetz, Redwood Public Law**

**PROPERTY:  
Portions of the Redondo Beach Marina Parking Lot and Seaside Lagoon  
(portions of APN #s: 7503-029-900 and 7503-029-903)**

**NEGOTIATING PARTIES:  
Allen Sanford, BeachLife Festival**

**UNDER NEGOTIATION:  
Price and Terms**

- R.6. 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**

**S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – None**

**T. ADJOURNMENT – 8:06 P.M.**

**T.1. ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DEBBIE HANNON, FORMER COMMISSIONER  
AND LONG TIME RESIDENT**

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to adjourn the meeting in memory of Debbie Hannon.

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 4:30 p.m. (Closed Session) and a Regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. (Open Session) on Tuesday, April 21, 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:

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Eleanor Manzano, CMC  
City Clerk