



Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, May 6, 2025
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, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light

Councilmembers Absent: Kaluderovic

Officials Present: Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Melissa Villa, Analyst

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

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

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

Analyst Villa reported no eComments and no one on Zoom.

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:

Belavsky, Svetlana v. City of Redondo Beach; Does 1-10

Case Number: 24TRCV03834

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:

Mesch, Gary v. Slater Waterproofing, Inc., City of Redondo Beach Does 1-50

Case Number: CIVRS2501454

- 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: City of Redondo Beach, et al. v. California State Water Resources Control Board

Case Number: 20STCP03193

- 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:

In re 9300 Wilshire LLC Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.

Case Number: 2:23-bk-10918-ER

- F.5. 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: 9300 Wilshire, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCP02189

- 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:

In re 9300 Wilshire, LLC (9300 Wilshire, LLC et al. v. AES-Redondo Beach, LLC) Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.

Case Number: 2:23-ap-01163-ER

- F.7. 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:

Yes in My Back Yard, a California nonprofit corporation; SONJA TRAUSS, an individual v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, and DOES 1 through 25 inclusive Case Number: 23TRCP00325

- F.8. 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:

New Commune DTLA LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCV10146

- F.9. 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:

New Commune DTLA, LLC and Leonid Pustilnikov v. City of Redondo Beach and City Council of the City of Redondo Beach

Case Number: 22TRCP00203

- F.10. 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: New Commune DTLA, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, et al.

Case Number: 23STCP00426

- F.11. 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: AES Southland Development, LLC and AES Redondo Beach, LLC v. California Coastal Commission

Case Number: BS157789

F.12. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). JAMS Arbitration Case Reference No. 5220006179 [Hon. Candace Cooper [Ret.]] Harry Stuver, et. al v. Redondo Beach Police Department and City of Redondo Beach

Analyst Villa read title to the items to be considered in Closed Session.

City Manager Witzansky announced that 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, Outside Legal Counsels Abby O'Brien and Jon Welner and Police Chief Joe Hoffman and Outside Legal Counsel Joshua Dale.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, and carried by voice vote, to recess to Closed Session at 4:34 p.m.

The motion carried 4-0-1. Councilmember Kaluderovic was absent.

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Light reconvened to Open Session at 6:02 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
City Attorney, Joy Ford
Laura Diaz, Deputy Records Mgmt. Coordinator/Sr. Deputy City Clerk

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Witzansky reported that under Items No. F.1 and F.2 the Council unanimously authorized the City Attorney to defend the City in both matters.

J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, and carried

by voice vote, to adjourn to the regular meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0.

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 6:00 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

Officials Present: Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Joy Ford, City Attorney
Laura Diaz, Deputy Records Mgmt. Coordinator/Sr. Deputy City Clerk

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

Mayor Light invited Veterans and Active Military to stand and be recognized for their service.

Sofia, sophomore at Redondo Union HS, led in the salute to the flag.

Mayor Light called for a moment of silence.

D. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/AB 1234 TRAVEL EXPENSE REPORTS

D.1. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE BY CITY CLERK ELEANOR MANZANO TO NEW SENIOR DEPUTY CITY PROSECUTOR STEPHANIE JOHNSON

City Clerk Manzano introduced herself and administered the Oath of Office to Senior Deputy City Prosecutor Stephanie Johnson.

Senior Deputy City Prosecutor Johnson thanked her family and others for their support.

D.2. MAYOR'S COMMENDATION TO THE REDONDO UNION HIGH SCHOOL JV

CHEER TEAM FOR WINNING TWO NATIONAL TITLES AT THE USA SPIRIT NATIONALS CHEERLEADING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mayor Light invited Lisa Hedspeth and Rory Gesler, the Redondo Union High School cheer coaches to the podium; announced their recent accomplishments at the USA Spirit national finals, in Anaheim; presented certificates to each member of the cheer team.

Coach Lisa Hedspeth thanked the Mayor and Council for their support; stated they brought back, not only one, but two titles to the City of Redondo Beach.

D.3. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION OF MAY 2025 AS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Light announced a proclamation of May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness Month; invited BCHD board member Jane Deal and Youth Advisory group member Alina Rashid Faroqi to the podium to speak about the subject.

Jane Deal thanked the Council for inviting them; spoke about the priority of mental and physical health.

Mayor Light moved to announcements from the Councilmembers.

Councilmember Waller announced his first Community Meeting will be on May 10th at the Alta Vista Community Center from 10:00 a.m. to 11 a.m.; mentioned the Woman's Club of Redondo Beach will be holding their spaghetti dinner later that day from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at 400 S. Broadway.

Councilmember Castle gave an update on the Beach Life event in District 2 over the past weekend at the Waterfront; felt it was one of the most successful events they have held there; announced that the California Surf Club was opening up that week and would be key to the overall economic development at the Waterfront; mentioned he held his first Community Meeting two weeks ago and had City Manager Witzansky as a speaker; announced his next Community Meeting would be at 5:30 p.m. on May 29th at the library and he would be sending out questionnaires in his newsletter.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated she had her Community Meeting via Zoom on the 22nd; noted she will probably have her next meeting on the last week of May; announced the last day to apply for the Youth Commission is May 30th and the age range is 13 to 19 years old; stated stellar performance may lead to a letter of recommendation from a Councilmember or the Mayor.

Councilmember Obagi reported he had lunch with Athens' representative, Sharon Fox, and they spoke about some changes that will be happening with their agreement with the City; stated if anyone has any feedback in regards to Athens to please let them know so they can have that before they amend their agreement with Athens.

Councilmember Behrendt agreed with Councilmember Castle in regards to the Beach Life Festival; thanked Allen Sanford and company for the event; gave a special shout out to city staff, especially Public Safety, Police, Fire, Public Works and the City Manager for the efforts in the event; announced his District 5 Community Meeting would be held on May 28th at the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center; stated it is open to the entire City and his special guest will be City Attorney Joy Ford.

Mayor Light mentioned he attended a Rotary Club luncheon at the Harbor, where they recognized the City's First Responders and handed out awards; announced he went to the Beach Life Gala where they collect donations and give it to various charities throughout the City; noted they also recognized the firefighters who helped with the Palisades fire; reported that Rick Springfield performed as a way to give back to all the firefighters and First Responders that helped battle the fires; mentioned attending the Women's Club regional gathering event at the King Harbor Yacht Club and witnessing 80 kids competing in a sailing competition as well as the Lanakila practicing in the Harbor; stated Councilmember Kaluderovic and him judged student participants giving civic seal presentations and felt inspired; stated he would be attending a Mayors' convening on Thursday called by the County Supervisor and will report back any information.

E. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

City Manager Witzansky asked to move the second Public Hearing item from the Public Hearing section of the agenda to the Discussion Section of the agenda, which meant moving L.2 to N.2 and explained his reasons.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Kaluderovic, to approve the order of the agenda as modified by the City Manager.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

F. AGENCY RECESS – 6:31 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to recess to a regular meeting of the Community Financing Authority.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

F.1. REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY FINANCING AUTHORITY

RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING FROM AGENCY MEETING – 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light

Officials Present: Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Joy Ford, City Attorney
Laura Diaz, Deputy Records Mgmt. Coordinator/Sr.
Deputy City Clerk

G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

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

City Clerk Manzano reported Blue Folder Items for Item No. J.1, and P.1.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, and approved by voice vote, to receive and file Blue Folder Items.

Motion carried 5-0.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

H.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 6, 2025

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. APRIL 15, 2025 SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.4. APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER \$35,000:

1. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH PI ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC FOR NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CITY'S FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS DISPLAY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,500 FOR THE TERM MAY 7, 2025 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025

2. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO PROVIDE FOR PLACEMENT OF THE CITY'S ANNUAL

STREET LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESEMENT DISTRICT CHARGES, SEWER USER FEES, AND REFUSE FEES ON THE 2025-26 FISCAL YEAR SECURED TAX ROLL FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$0.25 PER ASSESSMENT, PER PARCEL, AND \$13.00 FOR EACH CORRECTION (FOR AN ESTIMATED FY 2025-26 CITY EXPENDITURE OF \$15,000)

3. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH ADVANCED PROBLEM SOLVING, LLC FOR TRAINING AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,210.83 FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2025 TO JUNE 30, 2029

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.5. PAYROLL DEMANDS CHECKS 30198-30212 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,704.37, PD. 4/25/25 DIRECT DEPOSIT 294010-294633 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,365,546.17, PD. 4/25/25 EFT/ACH \$9,331.57, PD. 4/11/25 (PP2508) EFT/ACH \$462,524.89, PD. 4/21/25 (PP2507) EFT/ACH \$9,310.73, PD. 4/25/25 (PP2509) EFT/ACH \$467,459.44, PD. 5/5/25 (PP2508) ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS CHECKS 119161-119395 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,793,796.75 EFT CALPERS MEDICAL INSURANCE \$496,916.13 DIRECT DEPOSIT 100009352-100009440 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$102,704.92, PD.5/1/25 REPLACEMENT DEMANDS 119159-119160

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.6. EXCUSED ABSENCES FROM VARIOUS COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.7. APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO FUNDING AGREEMENT #920000000MM550813 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (LACMTA) FOR THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND NETWORK SYSTEM PROJECT(S), TO EXTEND THE TERM TO JUNE 30, 2026 AND ADD ADDITIONAL FUNDING

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

H.8. APPROVE AN ON-CALL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HIRSCH AND ASSOCIATES, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 AND THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

H.9. Item pulled by Councilmember Kaluderovic and Councilmember Behrendt.

H.10. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY, RESOLUTION NO. CC-2505-027, A RESOLUTION OF

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA
APPROVING THE SUSPENSION OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING HOURS IN
THE VINCENT AND VINCENT 2 PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS FOR
LIMITED HOURS ON JUNE 11 AND JUNE 12, 2025**

CONTACT: JOE HOFFMAN, CHIEF OF POLICE

- H.11. APPROVE A LEASE WITH POLIFE USA LLC, DBA BAE WATCH, FOR THE PREMISES AT 201 FISHERMAN'S WHARF FOR THE TERM MAY 6, 2025 TO APRIL 5, 2030 ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY, RESOLUTION NO. CC-2505-028, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, LEASING CERTAIN PROPERTY TO POLIFE USA LLC**

CONTACT: GREG KAPOVICH, WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

- H.12. APPROVE THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MELAD AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR BUILDING PLAN CHECK REVIEW AND PERMIT TECHNICIAN SERVICES TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT BY \$217,613 FOR A NEW CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED TOTAL OF \$528,613**

CONTACT: MARC WIENER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

- H.13. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH**

CONTACT: JANE CHUNG, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER

- H.14. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY ORDINANCE NO. 3293-25, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 34 TO TITLE 4 REGARDING UNLAWFUL CAMPING, FOR SECOND READING AND ADOPTION**

CONTACT: JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

- H.15. APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH CROWELL & MORING LLP**

CONTACT: JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

- 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

Councilmember Kaluderovic and Councilmember Behrendt both pulled H.9 from the Consent Calendar.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to approve the Consent Calendar items, besides H.9.

Dr. Andy Lesser wanted to speak on H.14; mentioned he is the Neighborhood Watch block captain for District 1; stated he is proud of the City for rewriting the new anti-camping ordinance with also keeping up the humanitarian approach by offering options for shelter and mental health services; stated he is also glad they included the bus-stop provision because it has been a major problem; noted that at Torrance and PCH people have been using the sidewalk as a bathroom; stated it is a great ordinance and he missed the first reading so he is here for the second reading and the adoption.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one on-line and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

City Clerk Manzano read titles to Resolutions No.CC-2505-027, CC-2505-028 and Ordinance No. 3293-25

I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H.9. ADOPT BY 4/5 VOTE AND TITLE ONLY, RESOLUTION NO. CC-2505-025, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING A FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET MODIFICATION TO APPROPRIATE \$338,560 IN SUBDIVISION PARK TRUST FUNDS FROM AVAILABLE FUND BALANCE TO THE SCE ROW WEST OF PCH LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 1, JOB NO. 30850, PROJECT

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2505-026, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AWARDED A CONTRACT TO MARINA LANDSCAPE, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$946,560.50 FOR THE SCE ROW WEST OF PCH LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 1, JOB NO. 30850, PROJECT

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated she wanted to pull this item because it pertains an ongoing project for the SCE ROW area that is west of PCH on Herondo; felt the item should be discussed as opposed to being a Consent Calendar item; mentioned the item is to approve additional funding for the project and mentioned it will use additional Quimby funds; noted the project is already over budget and asked if there is a way to rework the scope of work to make it fit to the budget and/or can it be brought up as a discussion item

during budget when the Council is allocating funds to various projects.

Councilmember Behrendt stated he spoke to the Mayor, Councilmember Obagi and the City Manager about the item; spoke about the landscape improvements project west of PCH being a million dollar plus expenditure; asked if this is something the City should be going forward with and felt it would be a good idea to have a public discussion; posed several questions asking what intended goals of the project are and if they are meeting them, etc.; wanted more background, upsides and downsides regarding the project and referred to the City Manager since he is more educated on the scope of the project; stated he would also like to hear from the other Councilmembers and the Mayor on the item.

City Manager Witzansky expanded on the project and reiterated it has been several years in the making and been the subject of multiple strategic planning efforts; stated the goal to expand the City's open space and utilization of this particular property has been the subject of Council consideration for 18 plus years; stated the goals have remained consistent but the conversations have evolved over time; confirmed that Southern California Edison does own the property in fee; gave some background on the property and stated they settled on the property being used as more of a passive open space property disposition; noted it has alleviated some of the maintenance and operations pressures that come that come with active player, ballfield space; mentioned there is more minimal maintenance needed with this type of use; continued to give more background on the process they have had to follow over the years including licensing, bids, funding, etc.; reported this proposed resolution would add \$300,000 plus of additional Quimby funds to not only provide what is required for the proposed contract but also provide funding for contingency (about \$125,000); stated it is not certain that the City will spend the full \$338,000; stated thousands of staff hours have gone into preparing this project application and design and hundreds of hours trying to convince SCE to extend the City the license; mentioned it has been a long City effort over multiple Councils; stated he recommended it as a perfunctory item because it serves to accomplish three primary goals: it allows the City to grow open space in the community (mentioned the City has not done that for decades and that is the purpose of the Quimby funding source), it makes clear to Edison that the Redondo Beach community would like to see this property in perpetuity used for open space purposes, and it has been clear in Edison's practice, that once a use and a license site has been occupied and developed, they have routinely extended the 5-year license terms almost on a ministerial basis; recommended to Council that they extend utilization of the Quimby account to fund what is necessary to honor and award this contract.

Councilmember Behrendt mentioned it seems possible but unlikely, if this project goes forward, that Edison will come bulldoze it away in five years.

City Manager Witzansky opined it helps increase the City's chances that Edison would not do that; stated another benefit is that the City also beautifies one of their key entry points into the City.

Councilmember Behrendt asked why this was put on as a Consent Calendar item and not for discussion during the budget process.

City Manager Witzansky stated they were anticipating this project coming to fruition this fiscal year and if he delayed every prospective supplemental appropriation associated with projects the City would rarely get things done.

Mayor Light provided additional background regarding the item; said the first time he heard about it was in 2010, when former Mayor Brand pitched it to the Council; noted Council was not receptive to it at that time but that former Mayor Brand wanted a green belt leading to the power plant; noted that it is an ugly sight at this time entering into the City; stated the SCE does not want a community garden located there in case they need to tear up that site; reported that the City is park poor, noting they are a wealthy community that has less than three acres per 1000 residents (which is the state standard for park poor); mentioned this is one area the City can add park land for a relatively cheap price, mentioning they are getting 2.5 acres for about \$1 million; added that there is a mental health benefit having more nature trails for people to take walks; hoped the Council would support this item.

Councilmember Obagi asked to light up slide 2B to show everyone the area being discussed; stated the area is totally underutilized; mentioned all the hard work former Mayor Brand had put into getting the license; gave some more background about the project and funding efforts; stated Council will repeatedly have two questions to answer:

- 1) What will Council do when previously funded projects come back to them needing more funding? Stop them in their tracks or fund them?
- 2) What will Council when a prior Councils have made a policy decision to move forward with a project and direct staff to work towards the project and then it comes to Council for final approval? Stop it or continue the progress that has been made before them?

Councilmember Obagi stated he feels they should continue the progress, expand the very little open space that Redondo has; noted it is exactly the type of park they want and it is low maintenance and offers a good path to get to Beach Life festivals for years to come.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to approve by 4/5 this additional appropriation to finish the funding of this project.

Councilmember Kaluderovic wanted clarification that the Quimby fees are development fees for land acquisition and recreation as a relief for development for residents that have that burden of development; stated she is not against the project but wondered if there is a way to make the project fit with the budget they currently have; mentioned it is a significant investment and there is no guarantee anyone will use it; agreed it is reasonable to think that they will have the license extended several times over; stated her point for bringing this up is that she would hate for the Quimby or subdivision park funds depleted and not have any for other things such as Perry Park Teen Center; mentioned that teens have come to her explaining they have no places for older kids in the community; stated

she supports this project but does not want to add more to it and will abstain from voting tonight.

City Manager Witzansky reported the City will have resources available for improvements to the Teen Center and that the City already did value engineer this project to get it to where it is and explained the obstacles they are finding through the process.

More discussion ensued regarding not owning the property, project delays, and cost escalation; stated they will have additional Quimby funds to program next year; proposed adjustments to programming will happen and they will be able to give back some funds to Quimby to offset this cost through projects that were under budget.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Public Works Director Winje asked if the motion could also include the resolution of award.

Councilmember Obagi amended his motion to adopt by 4/5 vote and title only, Resolution No. CC-2505-025 and Resolution No. CC-2505-026.

Councilmember Castle accepted the amended motion.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one online and no e-Comments.

Councilmember Behrendt stated he felt that what Councilmember Kaluderovic said to be important, but that Mayor Light's comments were persuasive and voted yes.

Motion carried 4-0-1 by voice vote. Councilmember Kaluderovic abstained from the vote.

City Clerk Manzano read by title only Resolution No. CC-2505-025 and adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2505-026.

J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

Jim Mueller stated paradise is described as a garden abundant with flowers and lovely trees, hell is a row of concrete boxes broiling in the sun; commented that preserving paradise is talked about a lot in Redondo Beach; mentioned the City, especially north Redondo, is transitioning into a denser urban environment; stated that the lot at 2022 Matthews Avenue is planned for concrete boxes; reported that by the time he saw the construction permit, the plans had already been approved by the Planning Department; stated he called Planning and managed to convince them to save one of the trees last Fall; showed a picture of the outcome and the tree that was supposed to be saved was hacked up; noted that the code about preserving trees in developments are not taken seriously and Redondo Beach will be a hellscape of concrete boxes in the future; stated Redondo Beach's tree cover is already falling behind other beach cities according to a

forest service study done in 2022; mentioned Encinitas has drafted a specific mature tree preservation ordinance set for approval by this June and appealed to the Planning Commission and the Council to use the Encinitas Ordinance as a model for Redondo.

Jess Money, District 3, spoke of allegations of criminal behavior and listed at the state bar: Obagi, Mike Webb and Joy Ford; at the FPPC: Chadwick Castle, Mike Webb and Joy Ford; at the LA County DA: Jim Light, Zein Obagi, Todd Loewenstein, Mike Webb, Joy Ford, and Mike Witzansky; at the Secretary of State: Jim Light, Zein Obagi, Todd Loewenstein, Mike Webb and Joy Ford; at the DOJ: Jim Light, Zein Obagi, Mike Webb, and Joy Ford; stated it is his understanding from the DOJ that Mr. Obagi has three or four other complaints for violations or breaches of his DPA; spoke of allegations of misuse of police officers and public equipment in campaign materials and the allegation was already sustained by the police department and wondered what was taking Phil Toomey so long; suspected that Phil Toomey is waiting until the DOJ and the DA render their verdicts; hoped some of the allegations will go through.

Scott William Griffin, Redondo Beach, spoke in support of more California native plants for the City to save water supply; mentioned the recent Palisades fires and spoke of the City running out of water during that situation.

Mark Nelson (via Zoom) requested to have the Public Safety Commission added to the assessment of the 500-600 block of North Prospect; mentioned concerns were retriggered when the pumping stations were moved around near the bus stop and Director Simon had sent an email regarding a child predator a while back on security lighting; noted other bus stop issues were triggered; mentioned the same issues Dr. Lesser brought up regarding the bus stops and camping issues and the unhoused; spoke of a long time property owner, Darryl Boyd, working to address the Frontage Road safety and other issues; stated at the recommendation of RBPD they beefed up their security systems after 2:00 a.m.; noted the amount of hit and runs they have footage on and not parking their cars on the street anymore at that intersection; request that Public Safety Commission be added to looking for solutions around that intersection; strongly urged the City Council to engage Public Safety and Public Works to work jointly to increase the safety around the bus stop, the Beach Cities area, and the 500-600 service road.

Joan Irvine (via Zoom) spoke about a great first Saturday Sweep that Keep the Esplanade Beautiful had that past Saturday; stated they were fortunate to have scout troops come out and help clean up the Esplanade; stated that by their volunteerism, the young men and women are starting to prepare to be good community leaders.

Wayne Craig, District 1, spoke of his trip to Sacramento where he spent time talking with legislators; mentioned a bill called AB 647, which is being sponsored by Ed Gonzalez, which will allow immediate up-zoning of single parcel lots to allow eight units to be built on them; stated the group he was with is actively campaigning against it; spoke about other bills that are coming up that will expedite the approval process for permits; referenced an event that took place at Fire Station 2 to thank the firefighters for all their efforts during the Palisades fires and that the community should be proud that our

firefighters and first responders were there to help.

City Clerk Manzano reported that concludes the Zoom and there was one eComment.

K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Light reminded Council L.2 was changed to N.2; polled the Council on any Ex Parte Communications related to L.1.

Councilmember Kaluderovic reported speaking to staff.

Councilmember Obagi spoke to Councilmember Behrendt.

Councilmember Behrendt spoke to the Mayor, Councilmember Obagi, and city staff.

Mayor Light reported speaking to Councilmember Behrendt.

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to open the Public Hearing and take testimony.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

L.1. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) 2025-2030 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

PROCEDURES:

- 1. Open the public hearing and take testimony regarding the adoption of the proposed CDBG 2025-2030 Consolidated Plan;**
- 2. Close the public hearing; and,**
- 3. Adopt the 2025-2030 Consolidated Plan**

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Community Service Director Hause stated her department is providing Council an overview of the CDBG Consolidated Plan for 2025 to 2030; noted they presented this item initially at the April 15th meeting; reported that was the first public hearing and tonight is the second public hearing; introduced the plan's project coordinator and project manager with MNS Engineering, Joyce Lee; explained MNS Engineering help manage the City's CDBG Program.

Joyce Lee presented a PowerPoint of an overview of the five year consolidated plan for CDBG funds, which included:

Consolidated Plan

- Application to HUD to receive funding
- Analysis of critical housing and community needs
- Identifies priority goals

Proposed Goals – 7 total

- Support the Development of Decent Housing
- Create Sustainable Neighborhoods
- Provide Vital Public Services
- Expand Affordable Opportunities
- Planning and Administration
- Create Economic Opportunities
- Prepare through Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning and Response to Disaster

Public Comments

- Comments received – Staff received one comment over the 30 day public review period.
- Overall general support for the 5 year consolidated plan.

Councilmember Kaluderovic spoke about the current political environment and the possibility of some of the programs being limited or cut; wondered how that would be addressed in terms of fair housing.

Joyce Lee stated they have not been told by HUD that it is no longer a requirement so they are just continuing their path as planned.

Mayor Light thanked Joyce Lee and her team for their work on the report; mentioned he has already used some of the statistics in briefings.

Councilmember Obagi thanked her for the comprehensive report; asked what the City could do, in terms of policy, to help fix the problems; mentioned that a significant number of units are affected by one or more problems.

Joyce Lee reported they have a mobility access and emergency repair program but it is limited to a \$7,500 CDBG grant; mentioned they used to have a handyman program; explained what they are allowed to do and where they run into issues regarding repairs and red tape; stated they have to check income eligibility, which requires six months of bank statements, retirements, tax incomes and title/home ownership to verify if they meet the low income and moderate standards set by HUD.

Community Director Hause stated anyone wanting information can visit the City's website and click on the Housing tab or can contact staff.

Mayor Light invited public comments.

City Clerk Manzano reported no eComments and no one on Zoom.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to close the Public Hearing.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to adopt the 2025 to 2030 Consolidated Plan.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Item L.2. has been moved as a discussion item and not a public hearing therefore it was moved after N.1.

L.2. DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER AN INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON SMOKE SHOPS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65858

PROCEDURES:

- 1. Open the public hearing, take testimony and deliberate;**
- 2. Close the public hearing; and**
- 3. Adopt the Urgency Interim Ordinance imposing a moratorium on smoke shops.**

ADOPT BY 4/5THS VOTE AND TITLE ONLY, URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 3294-25, AN INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON DEVELOPMENT OF SMOKE SHOPS IN THE CITY AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF

CONTACT: MARC WIENER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Community Development Director Wiener presented a PowerPoint which included:

Overview

- April 15th City Council Meeting – reviewed a draft ordinance
- Directed staff to prepare Urgency Ordinance
- Takes effect immediately
- Requires 4/5 vote of the City Council
- Must be supported by findings related to public, health, safety and welfare

Findings

- Documented State and local issues with illegal tobacco products
- Federal studies on unique risk that tobacco products pose to youth
- State legislation strengthening tobacco oversight deemed essential to lowering youth tobacco use

Urgency Ordinance

- Moratorium in place while permanent ordinance is being prepared
- The initial moratorium period is 45 days (June 20th)
- Moratorium may be extended for additional 10 months and 15 days

Community Development Director Wiener explained that the permanent ordinance needs to go to the Planning Commission prior to being returned to the City Council; that will happen in June and will probably come back to Council in mid to late summer for adoption consideration; mentioned a Public Hearing will be scheduled for the next meeting if that happens.

Recommendation

- Adopt by 4/5ths vote and title only, Urgency Ordinance No. 3294-25, an interim urgency ordinance of the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach, California, imposing a moratorium on development of smoke shops in the City and declaring the urgency thereof

Councilmember Kaluderovic asked if this is for smoke shops as defined in the City's code.

Community Development Director Wiener stated there is no definition of smoke shop in the City's code but they are proposing one in the draft ordinance, that's where it lays out the percentages; mentioned there is a general definition that is used.

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated the reason she asked is that this is not limiting tobacco retail licenses per se.

Community Development Director Wiener said it is not, it would be solely smoke shops.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve by 4/5 vote, the Interim Urgency Ordinance imposing moratorium on smoke shops pursuant to Government Code Section 65858 and adopt by title only Ordinance No. 3294-25.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Jonaton Cvetko gave background on the cannabis industry that was started in 2018; stated a federal farm bill had passed that opened up a massive loophole for hemp products; spoke of workshops he hosted with the South Bay COG discussing responsible regulations; mentioned Hermosa issued a notice to all of its retailers to cease selling any of the illegal products; mentioned a bill at the state level that he and the Redondo Beach

City Council fought against and thankfully it died that first year; gave more background on the fight against illegal cannabis products being sold in retail shops; stated he is grateful to see that the City has taken this position and completely supports this ordinance.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one else online and no one on Zoom.

Motion carried 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

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

City Clerk Manzano read adopt by 4/5 vote by title only Urgency Ordinance No. 3294-25

M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS

N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION ON THE POTENTIAL FOR UTILIZING BUS STOP FURNITURE AND BUSES TO GENERATE ADVERTISING REVENUE

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

The order of Item N.1 was moved to L.2 and L.2 was moved to N.1.

Community Services Director Hause stated this is a Strategic Plan objective that the Council asked staff to look into and to assess; introduced the City's new Transit team: Tyron Gunn, Transit Manager, and Brian Magumcia, Transit Analyst and had them present the information.

Transit Manager Gunn stated they are there to present to the Council the utilizing of bus stop furniture and busses for advertisement; provided a PowerPoint presentation which included:

Overview

- Current Stops & Fleet - inventory
- FTA Regulations – what can and cannot be done
- Potential Advertising
- Implementation Models – 2 options
- Recommendation

Route 109 and 102 Bus Stops

- Total of 214 stops that the City services
- 20 Busses in the fleet
- All federally funded purchases

Types of Bus Stops

- Beach Cities Transit Stops
- Redondo Beach Transit Center Kiosk

FTA Regulations for BCT-Owned Stops

- FTA Circular 4220.1G – requires compliance with competitive procurement process.
- For Federally Funded Assets – requirements
- All City Assets are Federally Funded

Analyst Magumcia stated that all revenue generated from the advertising program must return into Transit; if the City chooses to use current assets, then FTA guidelines must be followed; reported that there is another option, if the City can invest in bus furniture and/or assets that are non-FTA federal funded, the agreement would be unnecessary.

Mayor Light asked about using funds to pay for the 20% match in the 80/20 split.

City Manager Witzansky stated the 20% match is generally supported with other regional transportation restricted dollars like Prop C; noted if they did not have the local regional offset and the City was having to subsidize it with the General Fund dollars, then yes to answer the Mayor's question.

Councilmember Behrendt asked if the City were to remove and give back all the federally funded furniture, and bus stops and provide the City's own funded bus stops and include advertising on them, would the City be able to keep all the revenue generated.

The Transit team replied yes and they have that in their presentation.

Councilmember Behrendt asked if they are limited to only doing advertising within Redondo Beach city limits.

Transit Manager Gunn said he does not know but noted that Metro also has stops that Metro is responsible for; mentioned they can have shared stops with Metro that the City would have access to and do what they are requesting.

More discussion followed. Transit Manager Gunn continued the presentation:

Shared Agency Stops

- Artesia & Mackay Lane
- Artesia & Rindge
- Artesia & Inglewood

Transit Manager Gunn explained that they will have to build the infrastructure to be able to advertise, went over some costs associated with the different types of bus stops, and some details on installation of the structures or bus stops.

Potential Advertising

- Benches
- Sheltered bus stops
- Costs involved to be able to advertise

Implementation

- Policy development – advertising policies and procedures
- Models – Third party or In-house, pros and cons

The Transit team explained what is needed to build the bus stops into advertising mechanisms: bids, capital, staff expertise, ad sales, marketing analysis and operations, administration, etc.; showed examples of current bus stops to give the Council an idea.

Recommendations

- When staffing allows, conduct Targeted Economic Research:
 - o Projected Cost
 - o Potential Revenue
 - o Develop Advertising Policy
 - o Utilize Third Party Model/Options

Transit Manager Gunn explained the many challenges they would face if they went forward with this project; stated at this time they are still trying to build the Transit team; they want to give the City the best possible attitude towards the ability to advertise, however, felt that it is not feasible to move forward with this project due to the different challenges and the infrastructure; noted it does not mean that this can not happen at a later time.

Councilmember Behrendt stated that although revenue is important, the City prefers the more inconspicuous advertising versus the loud, bright, eye-catching type; noted guidelines would need to be placed to work that balance.

Councilmember Waller agreed that at this time they do not have the resources to make it happen; felt the only way it could work would be with the third party solution; noted the costs to be prohibitive; agreed to receive and file only.

Councilmember Obagi stated the idea when it was presented at the ICA was that companies would come in and invest in all the furniture, etc. and split the revenue with the City; showed slide 2B and noted that even the most well done advertising is still not really suited for Redondo Beach.

Councilmember Castle mentioned that a lot of the routes are not heavy on traffic and traffic is necessary for advertising; asked if they could monitor Torrance and try to understand why their program isn't successful versus Santa Monica, where it is successful; agreed with their conclusion.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Scott William Griffin spoke, as a member of the public and a student at Redondo Union High School, against advertising at the bus stops but was in favor of shelters for them.

Wayne Craig (via Zoom) applauded the idea to bring more revenue into the City but was against the types of advertising bus stops present; agreed that the locations of the bus stops do not present good areas for advertising; offered other ideas for revenue to be generated and mentioned enforcing dog licensing or looking at the City's sales tax and TOT revenue generated from events.

Kyle Johnson (via Zoom), District 1, agreed with the receiving and filing at this time; stated he is actually in favor of advertising for the Beach Cities Transit since that would improve bus infrastructure; mentioned the problems with the current stops and felt that by improving bus infrastructure it would increase user use of the transit system and more money would be put into it to improve ridership.

Nancy Skiba mentioned advertising on the closed bus stops might work but stated it is a distraction for drivers when there are advertisements in their line of vision; felt it is a traffic safety issue and noted she is on the Public Safety Commission.

City Clerk Manzano stated that concluded the Zoom and there were two eComments, one opposed and one neutral.

Councilmember Obagi asked if there was any opportunity to generate revenue by advertising on the City's busses.

Transit Manager Gunn responded that it would have to go through the same process as the bus stops.

More discussion ensued.

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

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

City Manager Witzansky mentioned the Strategic Planning Session they had last Tuesday; stated they will bring it back the more broadly described objectives that were identified and goals at the June 3rd City Council meeting for consideration and discussion; mentioned staff will be meeting with Jane Harrington in the next couple of days to debrief with more specificity and then revise the document for Council; stated the May 20th meeting will be mainly Closed Session items and will agendize the 2025-26 Proposed Budget along with a few other actions.

P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

P.1. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. CC-2505-024, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. CC-2406-053 BY APPOINTING DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY FOR A TERM COMMENCING MAY 6, 2025 AND EXPIRING ON JUNE 30, 2025

Mayor Light mentioned there was a Blue Folder item on this and he asked the City Clerk to extend the timing from May 6, 2025 to June 30, 2025; stated he gave his recommendations based on different conversations and said it is in the Blue Folder as a spreadsheet; explained his color coding system.

Councilmember Obagi thanked the Mayor for his work on it; stated for the South Bay Council of Governments, they have a rule where any number of people can be the alternate and he would like every member of the Council and the Mayor be the alternate on the COG; explained his reasons why he suggested this; felt Councilmember Waller is too nice for the role on the Education Subcommittee; gave some background on dealing with the School District and expanded on various situations; noted that the City has given in to many School District requests but they have not done the same with the City; stated he wants someone more aligned with his views and agrees that the School District should share in some joint expenses with the City.

Councilmember Kaluderovic shared her thoughts regarding the Education Subcommittee; stated Councilmember Obagi has not been privy to contributions the District makes to the City; suggested he may want to be on the subcommittee.

Councilmember Obagi stated he is on the COG, he has three meetings a month, attends the Transportation Subcommittee; Steering Committee and the Board Meeting; noted he is spread thin.

More discussion followed.

Councilmember Waller stated what makes him valuable is that he does have school board experience, he knows the people, and has no problem standing up for the City.

Council decided to go line by line and discuss.

Independent Cities Association City Representative Councilmember Obagi stated he would be happy to serve as the representative for it and Councilmember Castle offered to be the alternate for it.

League of California Cities Councilmember Kaluderovic felt Councilmember Behrendt carries it well for the City and she is fine being alternate.

SBCOG and it was already decided that Councilmember Obagi is the primary and everyone else is the alternate.

SCAG and Councilmember Castle and Councilmember Waller were listed.

West Basin Water Association and it was decided that Councilmember Waller as primary and Councilmember Obagi as the alternate.

Clean Power Alliance. Councilmember Waller stated he is fine being primary for it and Councilmember Castle was nominated as the alternate.

Mary Drummer was mentioned for the next one and the Mayor stated there is no reason to replace her.

South Bay Aerospace Alliance. Councilmember Kaluderovic was listed as primary and Councilmember Castle wanted to also be listed; it was stated that others could join making sure they don't have a quorum.

Education Subcommittee which was already discussed Council Kaluderovic and Council Waller.

Tenth was the Economic Development which was requested by the City Manager; representative for the North Councilmember Behrendt and for the South Councilmember Castle.

The Mayor mentioned the only other one up was the Public Financing Authority that is with one bond with Kincaid's; the Mayor listed himself and it was not disputed.

The Mayor stated the next one on the list is Mayor Pro Tem but it was not up at that time.

Last item was the Audit Committee and Councilmember Obagi remained on it and Councilmember Castle was added as well.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to adopt Resolution No. CC-2505-024, as amended on the screen.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

City Clerk Manzano stated there was no one on Zoom and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

City Clerk Manzano read title to Resolution CC-2505-024 as amended.

P.2. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAYOR LIGHT'S APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COMMISSIONS

Mayor Light mentioned the Budget & Finance Commission should come from District 3 but no one applied; reported he met someone that really wanted to serve the community and has a background as a Professor of Economics so that would be his recommendation; noted for the Planning Commission there are two candidates and stated he interviewed them both; recommended Julie as the more qualified candidate from District 4.

Councilmember Obagi mentioned Julie Young is very involved with the community in various ways; mentioned she would like to succeed Councilmember Obagi and this would be good experience for her.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to approve the Mayor's recommendations for commissions.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one on Zoom and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Councilmember Waller requested a BRR to add an additional staff member to supplement the City's economic development activities.

Councilmember Kaluderovic requested a discussion when the ordinance for smoke shops Comes back to include how to regulate tobacco retail licenses and close loopholes.

Councilmember Obagi asked for a BRR on formal wear for the Firefighters.

Motion by Councilmember Behrendt, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, for Councilmember Kaluderovic's referral.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

R. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION - None

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:

**Belavsky, Svetlana v. City of Redondo Beach; Does 1-10
Case Number: 24TRCV03834**

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:

**Mesch, Gary v. Slater Waterproofing, Inc., City of Redondo Beach Does 1-50
Case Number: CIVRS2501454**

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: City of Redondo Beach, et al. v. California State Water Resources Control Board
Case Number: 20STCP03193**

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: In re 9300 Wilshire LLC Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.
Case Number: 2:23-bk-10918-ER**

R.5. 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: 9300 Wilshire, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive
Case Number: 23STCP02189**

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: In re 9300 Wilshire, LLC (9300 Wilshire, LLC et al. v. AES-Redondo Beach, LLC) Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.
Case Number: 2:23-ap-01163-ER**

- R.7. 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: Yes in My Back Yard, a California nonprofit corporation; SONJA TRAUSS, an individual v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, and DOES 1 through 25 inclusive
Case Number: 23TRCP00325**

- R.8. 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: New Commune DTLA LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive
Case Number: 23STCV10146**

- R.9. 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: New Commune DTLA, LLC and Leonid Pustilnikov v. City of Redondo Beach and City Council of the City of Redondo Beach
Case Number: 22TRCP00203**

- R.10. 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: New Commune DTLA, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, et al.
Case Number: 23STCP00426**

- R.11. 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: AES Southland Development, LLC and AES Redondo Beach, LLC v. California Coastal Commission
Case Number: BS157789**

R.12. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

JAMS Arbitration Case Reference No. 5220006179 [Hon. Candace Cooper [Ret.]] Harry Stuver, et. al v. Redondo Beach Police Department and City of Redondo Beach

S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - None

T. ADJOURNMENT – 8:38 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. to 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, May 13, 2025 in the Redondo Beach City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

The motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

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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City Clerk