

**CITY OF REDONDO BEACH
HARBOR COMMISSION MINUTES
Monday, May 13, 2024**

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HARBOR COMMISSION – 6:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Harbor Commission was held at the City of Redondo Beach City Council Chambers and was called to order by Chair Chrzan at 6:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Abelman, Carlson, Falk, Vice Chair Callahan, Chair Chrzan

Commissioners Absent: Bauer, Kilroy

Officials Present: Greg Kapovich, W.E.D. Director
Dave Charabee, Senior Management Analyst

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Vice Chair Callahan led in the salute to the flag.

D. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Abelman, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to approve the order of the agenda, as presented. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

E.1 For Blue Folder Documents Approved at the Harbor Commission Meeting

W.E.D. Director Kapovich reported there were no Blue Folder Items for tonight's meeting but stated receiving an email from Mark Hansen which was not submitted in time include in the Blue Folder but will be included in backup materials for City Council's meeting tomorrow, regarding Item No. L.1.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

F.1. APPROVAL OF AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING OF MAY 13, 2024

F.2. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES: APRIL 8, 2024

There were no public comments on the Consent Calendar.

Motion by Vice Chair Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - None

H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

H.1 For eComments and Emails Received from the Public

Mike Martin, District 1, spoke about violation of the Coastal Commission agreement on the Portofino boat slips; discussed previous requests for Council to place the matter on the agenda; reported it is yet to be done and noted it is a valuable asset but remains unused.

W.E.D. Director Kapovich provided an update on the matter.

There were no other public comments and Chair Chrzan closed this portion of the meeting.

I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION - None

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS

J.1. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC ART INSTALLATION (GATE WAVE) ON PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN A COASTAL-COMMERCIAL (CC-4) ZONE, IN THE COASTAL ZONE; AND

PROCEDURES:

A. OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING, TAKE TESTIMONY; AND

B. CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO A FUTURE HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING (DATE UNCERTAIN)

Chair Chrzan opened the public hearing.

W.E.D. Director Kapovich provided an update on the project and presented options for the Harbor Commission's consideration.

Discussion followed regarding the types of easements, costs borne by the City and the approved concept and location.

Chair Chrzan invited public comments.

Mark Hansen, King Harbor Boater, suggested that the Commission consider adding the necessary costs to make this artwork easy to relocate and talked about realigning Herondo to line up with Yacht Club Way.

There were no public comments on this item and Chair Chrzan closed the public hearing.

Motion by Vice Chair Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to close the public hearing. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

Motion by Commissioner Abelman, seconded by Vice Chair Callahan, to continue the public hearing to a date uncertain. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

J.2. A PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF A CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) AND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO PROHIBIT OVERNIGHT PARKING IN CITY PARKING LOT 13 AT THE CORNER OF NORTH HARBOR DRIVE AND YACHT CLUB WAY

CONTACT: SEAN SCULLY, PLANNING MANAGER

Chair Chrzan opened the public hearing.

Planning Manager Sean Scully introduced the item and deferred to RBPD Senior Management Analyst Lina Carrillo for a report.

RBPD Senior Management Analyst Carrillo narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the Administrative Report, options for the Harbor Commission's consideration and recommendations.

Discussion followed regarding including the hours in the resolution, discussion of setting a time limit for parking, closing parking during a specified period of time for maintenance, setting restrictions and the need for enforcement, policies in other neighborhoods, people living in their vehicles on Herondo, homeless outreach, street-sweeping and 72-hour turnovers on public streets.

Chair Chrzan invited public comments on this item.

There were no public comments on this item.

Discussion followed regarding people attending early to surf or fish, available parking inside the marine and along Harbor Drive, being consistent with Herondo, other parking options in the area, prohibiting parking from 2:00 a.m. to 5:30 a.m., distinguishing between "all-night parking" and "overnight hours".

Motion by Vice Chair Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to close the public hearing. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

Discussion followed regarding allowing for street sweeping and any needed maintenance.

Motion by Vice Chair Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Falk, to waive further reading of and adopt a resolution prohibiting parking on City Lot 13 between 2:00 a.m. and 5:30

a.m., seven days a week and approving categorical exemption from CEQA. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None

L. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

L.1. POLICE DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT FOR Q1' 2024 - Q2' 2024

W.E.D. Director Kapovich reported the RBPB provided the information, which was included in the agenda packet for this report but were unable to attend tonight's meeting. He suggested continuing this item to the next Harbor Commission and inviting a representative of the RBPB to present the report next month.

Chair Chrzan requested to invite a representative of the RBPB to the Harbor Commission meeting, next month, to present a report.

There were no public comments on this item.

L.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO FILL BY APPOINTMENT THE VARIOUS HARBOR COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEES RECENTLY VACATED BY FORMER HARBOR COMMISSIONER JIM LIGHT UPON HIS APPOINTMENT TO MAYOR

W.E.D. Director Kapovich reported that the appointment of Jim Light as Mayor left vacancies in Harbor Commission subcommittees including the Boat Storage, Seaside Lagoon, Seabass and the Waterfront Education subcommittees.

Discussion followed regarding a subcommittee for the creation of a voter's alert network, and it was noted that subcommittee is no longer needed, as City staff is exploring the matter.

Commissioner Falk offered to be on the Dry Boat Storage and the Seaside Lagoon subcommittees.

Commissioner Abelman offered to be on the Waterfront Education subcommittee.

Commissioner Carlson offered to be on the Seabass subcommittee.

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Vice Chair Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Abelman, to appoint Commissioner Falk to the Dry Boat Storage and Seaside Lagoon subcommittees, Commissioner Abelman to the Waterfront Education subcommittee and Commissioner Carlson to the Seabass subcommittee. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

M. ITEMS FROM STAFF

M.1. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

W.E.D. Director Kapovich provided updates on the boat launch project, the dredging project and the International Boardwalk pavers and announced City Council's decision not to expand the purview of the Harbor Commission. He addressed upcoming meetings and agenda items including consideration of the budget and offered to respond to questions from the Commission.

Discussion followed regarding the boat launch, the dredging project and environmental concerns, informing the public about the efforts of the City and that all regulations are being met, sand that is continuously moving, whether there is a post-dredging survey and conducting a final inspection by Public Works.

There were no public comments on this item.

M. COMMISSION ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF

Chair Chrzan requested a summary report from the dredging consultant to ensure they are being good environmental stewards and that all regulations are being followed and commented on the need for more bike racks on the waterfront and Veterans Park.

Vice Chair Callahan reported she will not be at the next Harbor Commission meeting and requested a copy of the dredging report.

Commissioner Carlson mentioned empty slips and W.E.D. Director Kapovich reported the City does not get involved in renting out slips but noted that he reached out to slip operators to remind them the City is watching in terms of boat registrations and enforcement. Commissioner Carlson stated he is interested in knowing the number of empty slips in the harbor.

Discussion followed regarding the recent diesel spill in the harbor, the Beach Life event, the out-of-service Harbor Patrol vehicle, the live-a-board situation and the pool at Manhattan Beach Polliwog Park.

Councilmember Falk asked about minimum safety requirements for the docks such as ladders and life-vests.

Vice Chair Callahan spoke of floatation devices that were attached to fire extinguisher boxes in the past. She also spoke about owners who let their property run down then claim it is blighted and felt the City should intervene before it is too late.

Commissioner Carlson suggested asking Harbor Patrol and the RBFD whether they inspect fire suppression equipment on the docks.

N. ADJOURNMENT – 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Falk, seconded by Commissioner Carlson, to adjourn the Harbor Commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. Hearing no objections, Chair Chrzan so ordered.

Chair Callahan adjourned the meeting to the next regular meeting of the Redondo Beach Harbor Commission to be held at 6:30 p.m. on June 10, 2024, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers at 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:

Greg Kapovich
W.E.D. Director