

**CITY OF REDONDO BEACH  
PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION AGENDA  
Wednesday, May 14, 2025**

**415 DIAMOND STREET, REDONDO BEACH**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION - 6:30PM**

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the relevant agenda item. Dana.Vinke@Redondo.org

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION - 6:30PM**

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

### **B. ROLL CALL**

### **C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

### **D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA**

### **E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS**

*Blue folder items are additional back up material to administrative reports and/or public comments received after the printing and distribution of the agenda packet for receive and file.*

#### **E.1. [For Blue Folder Documents](#)**

### **F. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Business items, except those formally noticed for public hearing, or those pulled for discussion are assigned to the Consent Calendar. The Commission Members may request that any Consent Calendar item(s) be removed, discussed, and acted upon separately. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be taken up under the "Excluded Consent Calendar" section below. Those items remaining on the Consent Calendar will be approved in one motion. The Chair will call on anyone wishing to address the Commission on any Consent Calendar item on the agenda, which has not been pulled by the Commission for discussion. Each speaker will be permitted to speak only once and comments will be limited to a total of three minutes.*

#### **F.1. [RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES AND GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING RECREATION AND PARKS-RELATED ITEMS](#)**

#### **F.2. [APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MEETING OF MAY 14, 2025](#)**

#### **F.3. [APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2025](#)**

#### **F.4. [RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT](#)**

### **G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

### **H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

*This section is intended to provide members of the public with the opportunity to comment on any subject that does not appear on this agenda for action. This section is limited to 30 minutes. Each speaker will be afforded three minutes to address the Commission. Each speaker will be permitted to speak only once. Written requests, if any, will be considered first under this section.*

#### **H.1. [For eComments and Emails Received from the Public](#)**

### **I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION**

*This section is intended to allow all officials the opportunity to reveal any disclosure or ex parte communication about the following public hearings.*

### **J. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS**

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

**L.1. [DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE 2025 LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAM](#)**

**L.2. [DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF A PARK RANGER PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEE](#)**

**CONTACT:** ELIZABETH HAUSE

**L.3. [COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE](#)**

**M. ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**N. COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA TOPICS**

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

*The next meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission will be a regular meeting to be held at 6:30p.m. on June 11, 2025, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers, at 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach.*

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# Administrative Report

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E.1., File # PA25-0699

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**TITLE**

For Blue Folder Documents



# Administrative Report

F.1., File # PA25-0684

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

To: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

From: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

## TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES AND GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING RECREATION AND PARKS-RELATED ITEMS

## BACKGROUND

The following items are provided as updates and general information regarding recreation and park-related items under the purview of the Public Amenities Commission:

### Summer Classes, Camps, & Activities

The summer brochure is now available, including all classes, activities, and events. Resident registration will begin on Tuesday, May 20, and non-resident registration will begin on Tuesday, May 27. Registration for summer camps is also available, however, spaces are filling quickly! All summer activities can be viewed on the City's website:

[https://www.redondo.org/departments/community\\_services/classes\\_and\\_activities/index.php](https://www.redondo.org/departments/community_services/classes_and_activities/index.php)

### Alta Vista Pickleball Courts

On April 15, 2025, the City Council approved an agreement with Yorke Engineering to complete a formal sound study to evaluate noise impacts associated with potential pickleball courts on the tennis courts at Alta Vista Park. Staff has been in constant contact with the consultant to schedule this testing, which we are targeting to take place in late May/early June. Staff will work directly with stakeholders and the pickleball community, as permitted for the successful completion of the study.

### Events & Activities

- **Seaside Lagoon** - opens to the public on May 24 and is available daily from 10:00am - 5:45pm.
- **Memorial Day Ceremony** (May 26) - Annual ceremony to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the armed forces. Ceremony begins at 1:00pm at the Veterans Memorial located at Veterans Park.
- **Story Time in the Park** (June 8) - free story time event in Wilderness Park from 1:00 - 1:45pm. All ages welcome!

## ATTACHMENTS

None.





# Administrative Report

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F.2., File # PA25-0700

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**TITLE**

APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES  
COMMISSION MEETING OF MAY 14, 2025

STATE OF CALIFORNIA       )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES   )     SS  
CITY OF REDONDO BEACH    )

**AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

In compliance with the Brown Act, the following materials have been posted at the locations indicated below.

Legislative Body	Public Amenities Commission
Posting Type	Regular Meeting Agenda
Posting Locations	415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, CA 90277 ✓ Adjacent to Council Chambers
Meeting Date & Time	May 14, 2025           6:30 p.m.

As Library Director of the City of Redondo Beach, I declare, under penalty of perjury, the document noted above was posted at the date displayed below.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dana Vinke". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

*Dana Vinke, Library Director*

Date: May 8, 2025





# Administrative Report

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F.3., File # PA25-0701

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**TITLE**

APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2025



Minutes  
Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission  
Wednesday, April 9, 2025  
Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION – 6:30 PM**

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Yousufzai in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

### **B. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Desiree M. Galassi, Mara Lang, Ron Maroko,  
Jeffrey E. Rowe,  
Chair Masood K. Yousufzai

Commissioners Absent: Edward (E.J.) Caldwell, Christopher McCauley

Officials Present: Dana Vinke, Library Director  
Becca McNeely, Library Program Coordinator

### **C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Chair Yousufzai led in the Salute to the Flag.

### **D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai and approved by voice vote, the order of the agenda, as amended, moving Item No. L.1 to immediately after Item No. F.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

### **E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS**

#### **E.1 For Blue Folder Documents**

Library Director Vinke reported receiving two Blue Folder Items regarding Items No. J.2 and L.3.

Motion by Commissioner Lang, seconded by Commissioner Maroko, and approved by voice vote, to receive and file Blue Folder Documents.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

**F. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**F.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 9, 2025**

**F.2. RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES AND GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING RECREATION AND PARKS-RELATED ITEMS**

**F.3. APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2025 AND MARCH 19, 2025**

**F.4. RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Chair Yousufzai and approved by voice vote, the Consent Calendar, as presented.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

**G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – None**

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. L.1.

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

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

There were no public comments on this item.

**I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION**

Commissioner Maroko reported speaking with Commissioner Galassi and a member of the public.

**J. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**J.1. A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 102, 104, 106 N. BROADWAY, AND 401, 403, 405 EMERALD STREET (APN 7505-007-023) AS A LOCAL HISTORIC LANDMARK, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE  
APPLICANT: Ehab Marcos**

**ADDRESS: 102, 104, 106 NORTH BROADWAY, AND 401, 403, 405 EMERALD STREET**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Open public hearing and administer oath;**
- 2. Take testimony from staff, applicant, and interested parties;**
- 3. Close public hearing and deliberate; and**
- 4. Adopt a resolution by title only approving the request subject to the findings and conditions contained therein:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 102, 104, 106 NORTH BROADWAY, AND 401, 403, 405 EMERALD STREET (APN 7505-007-023) PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE**

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, and approved by voice vote, to open the public hearing.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

Planning Manager Scully introduced the item and deferred to staff for a report.

Senior Planner Svitek narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the proposed project.

Commissioner Maroko commented positively regarding staff's research and wondered why not proceed with implementing a historic district or overlay.

Senior Planner Svitek reported designating it as a Historic Landmark offers the same level of benefit and projection, individually.

Commissioner Galassi spoke about plans for the light fixtures and the door with the half-moon window, having the Minor Alternations Subcommittee review the matter and having staff work with the property owner to assist with any necessary changes.

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, and approved by voice vote, to close the public hearing.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Maroko, and

approved by voice vote, to adopt a resolution by title only approving the request subject to the findings and conditions contained therein, A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 102, 104, 106 NORTH BROADWAY, AND 401, 403, 405 EMERALD STREET (APN 7505-007-023) PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE, subject to review by the Minor Alterations Subcommittee of the lighting fixtures, windows and door.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

**J.2. A PUBLIC HEARING CONSIDERING AN EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION FOR AN ADDITION TO THE DESIGNATED HISTORIC PROPERTY LOCATED AT 510 GARNET STREET**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Open public hearing and administer oath;**
- 2. Take testimony from staff, applicant, and interested parties;**
- 3. Close public hearing and deliberate; and**
- 4. Adopt a resolution by title only approving the request subject to the findings and conditions contained therein.**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH APPROVING AN EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR AN ADDITION TO THE DESIGNATED HISTORIC PROPERTY LOCATED AT 510 GARNET STREET PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE**

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, and approved by voice vote, to open the public hearing.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

Senior Planner Svitek narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the proposed project.

Commissioner Maroko referenced a brochure, from 1993 entitled, "Tax incentive law for historic properties"; mentioned it simplifies the process and talked about the Mills Act and annual renewal processes; stated that staff has not provided any information regarding the history of the property and mentioned differences in various documents regarding the style of architecture (Queen Anne, Craftsman Colonial, or Bungalow).

Senior Planner Svitek defined it, "California Bungalow with Queen Anne influences" as

it was built in 1910 and responded to questions regarding the Garnet FAR comparison and keeping the existing garage doors.

Chair Yousufzai invited public comments.

Miles Pritzkat, Pritzkat & Johnson Architects, narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the proposed project, incorporating previous direction by the Commission. He responded to questions from the Commission regarding the garage doors; asserted that the proposal is not to change the carriage door at all and addressed changes in foundation materials including earthquake retrofitting and options for construction including phasing the work: doing selective areas until the work is completed. He continued responding to questions from the Commission regarding the view from El Camino Real.

Senior Planner Pritzkat talked about the need to preserve character-defining features; stated staff believes those are primarily along the Garnet frontage and the applicant is meeting that criteria and addressed removal of one existing tree.

Kim Davidson, applicant, spoke in support of removing the tree as it is causing plumbing issues on her property.

Discussion whether windows are included in the differentiation from the original structure, the fine line between “looking consistent” but also “differentiating”, having the windows indicate that portion of the house is newer, concerns from a resident regarding the windows on that elevation changing the character of the neighborhood, whether there is a cap on square footage that can be added, under the Mills Act, concerns about the size of the addition and issues under the PAC’s jurisdiction.

Chair Yousufzai confirmed that the PAC’s purview does not involve the size of the project and there is no cap in the Mills Act, on the addition of square footage.

Commissioner Galassi referenced the west elevation and talked about visibility of the original house and the need to maintain it.

Miles Pritzkat mentioned a detail feature that is being added to the front elevation to indicate where the original house ends, and the new part begins and involving siding changes.

Commissioner Galassi mentioned opportunities to create a historic district; noted the neighborhood is unique and talked about elements on the proposed property that may not be compatible with the neighborhood. She thanked the applicant for addressing the Commission’s concerns.

Gary Townsend, owner, 512 Garnet Street, expressed concerns with the size and massing of the proposed addition; reported that the septic system was built years ago, runs through his backyard and that the new proposal is to build directly over those old

septic lines and wondered if there are contingency plans to mitigate any negative impacts. Additionally, he mentioned the lack of setbacks that are necessary for fire access.

Tessa Bodey asked about the location of the chimney and weather vane; asserted that the west elevation should be taken into consideration as the house is situated on a corner and it is visible from the street; mentioned the carriage house and the existing ADU; spoke in support of establishing a historic district and updating the City's Historical Inventory and suggested enacting an interim preservation ordinance prohibiting the demolition and new construction on the block until the City has a chance to study and make considerations for the future of the 500 block of Garnet.

Discussion followed regarding the existing ADU under State law provisions for ADUs.

Laura Martinez, 511 Garnet, expressed concerns regarding the look and feel of the neighborhood; spoke about her family's roots in the South Bay; reported speaking with the applicant and signing in support of the renovations; mentioned concerns with the addition over the garage and felt the additions are not in keeping with the character of the neighborhood, and asked that her name be withdrawn from the approval of the project by neighbors, submitted by the applicant.

Kimberly Albright, 512 Garnet, talked about old homes being renovated without losing their charm; questioned the foundation materials, how much the addition will change views and why the tree to be removed is shown in the renderings; talked about the removal of the tree impacting trees around it; mentioned the second story behind the ADU and asked about the proposed guardrail and plans for a future door connecting the house and the ADU. Additionally, she asked about the existing lemon tree; expressed concerns that the proposed additions will make the house less quaint and charming and stated she supports something but was unsure whether this is the right proposal.

In reply to Commissioner Lang's inquiry, Senior Planner Scully reported that all of the engineering work will be based on geotechnical work and completed studies that would identify soil components, etc., and how the foundation would not have an impact on adjacent properties.

Commissioner Maroko talked about needing an EIR on the proposed construction and opined that there are unintended consequences coming out of the construction.

Chair Yousufzai pointed out that it would be part of the foundation plans.

Senior Planner Scully added that it is an engineering issue rather than an environmental issue.

Commissioner Maroko disagreed and added there seems to be major impacts on the neighborhood involving the foundation, trees and septic lines.

Senior Planner Scully reported that with respect to the sewer, the survey would identify that, would need to be dealt with and no construction would be able to occur over any infrastructure from another property.

Miles Pritzkat clarified the terminology in terms of sewer connections, not septic lines; mentioned that the issue of an easement would need to be explored and if there is no easement, there is no reason for sewer lines to go across the property and no one should have a septic tank in Redondo Beach.

Kimberly Albright and Gary Townsend talked about sewage problems because of an existing tree.

Tiffany Markarian spoke about her experience living in Redondo Beach and with the applicant; thanked staff and the Commission for its consideration and work; expressed support for the project and urged the Commission to approve the plan.

Discussion followed regarding review of the project by the Planning Commission in terms of zoning regulations and meeting minimum setback requirements.

Kim Davidson, applicant, reported that no new structures are proposed on the west side of the house addressed meeting minimum setbacks and the existing ADU; stated that the plan is for her father to live in the ADU; addressed the door shown on the plans as a way the two structures could connect; explained there is no addition over the garage but that it is on the existing structure; discussed the reinforcement of the foundation in order to support the renovation and other necessary improvements and asked the Commission's approval to ensure the home is around in another 125 years.

Brett Anderson spoke in support of the applicant and the project; discussed property values increasing and the applicant's intent to restore the historical integrity of the house; noted the value of the land is much higher than the structures and hoped the Commission will approve the project.

There were no other public comments.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, and approved by voice vote, to close the public hearing.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

Commissioner Rowe spoke in favor of the improvements; mentioned it is not a homogeneous neighborhood; addressed precedence and garage structures and voiced his approval.

Commissioner Galassi reported she had no knowledge of the ADU and expressed concerns about sewer lines running under the subject property and asked about the windows on the west elevation, ground floor.



Planning Manager Scully reported it was included in the plans the first time this project was considered and agreed a condition could be added to address the sewer lines prior to the issuance of a building permit. He confirmed the windows on the west elevation, ground floor will not go away.

Commissioner Maroko opposed the project; felt the project is a complete remodel; questioned whether the old and new are being properly differentiated and opined it is premature for the Commission to sign off on it.

Commissioner Lang felt the historical elements of the house will not be visible because of the new additions, talked about the house being right next to the side yard of the adjacent house.

Planning Manager Scully reported that it meets setbacks, but the that property line is against the adjacent house next door.

Chair Yousufzai commended the applicant for incorporating the Commission's recommendations; talked about the need to be objective, especially when it comes to denying projects and believed this project meets the threshold to qualify for the Mills Act.

Commissioner Maroko spoke about qualifying for property tax reduction.

Commissioner Lang spoke about review by the Planning Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, and approved by voice vote, to adopt a resolution by title only approving the request subject to the findings and conditions contained therein: A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH APPROVING AN EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR AN ADDITION TO THE DESIGNATED HISTORIC PROPERTY LOCATED AT 510 GARNET STREET PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE, pending inspection of the sewer lines from adjacent properties prior to the issuance of a building permit.

The motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Maroko was opposed, and Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. L.2.

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

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

**L.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 25-26 BUDGET INPUT TO THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Witzansky introduced the item and sought input from the Commission regarding the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget in preparation for presenting the item to City Council. He addressed expenditure pressures, the waterfront area, labor agreement adjustments, revenues and upcoming projects expected to generate TOT, property tax revenue, national uncertainty and the need to use caution going forward.

Discussion followed regarding the process for obtaining input and communicating the Commission's comments to Council.

Commissioner Lang commented on the Snack Shack bathrooms at Alta Vista Park and suggesting allotting money for a feasibility study regarding installing sports courts under the SCE power lines.

In reply, City Manager Witzansky spoke about challenges getting SCE to approve active play under their power lines.

Commissioner Lang mentioned building a community garden in North Redondo.

Commissioner Maroko suggested a path along Freeman Avenue that goes into the shopping center and has no egress or access to it as a good location for a garden.

Commissioner Lang added the Alta Vista playground surface to the list as well as funding for more trees.

Commissioner Galassi suggested an area along Aviation alongside the track, would be a good place for a community garden; referenced Council's approval to convert one of the tennis courts at Alta Vista Park into pickleball courts and asked for an update.

City Manager Witzansky reported a vendor has been chosen, the item will be brought to City Council soon and the vendor will conduct a study that would allow the City to proceed with the project and spoke about a potential timeline.

Commissioner Galassi indicated she would like to attend the sound study.

Discussion followed regarding completion of the City's financial documents, whether the City is performing single audit, departments with dependency on grants, addressing unaccrued liabilities, reserves, the need for a new Historical Landmark Survey, moving the museum under the library, clearly addressing the Commission's role in terms of interacting with staff, the need for the Commission to receive status updates on projects that have been discussed (i.e., Ito open space, Path of History markers) and the need for the Commission to understand what to expect from staff.

City Manager Witzansky reported that Commissions have an advisory role to City Council and staff's work is driven by City Council priorities, the City budget and the Strategic Plan. He added that Council will adopt some of the Commissions' ideas and

include as a priority, capital projects or priority strategic planning efforts. Separate from that, there will be administrative and operating work items driven by management that will run in parallel with those priorities and City Manager Witzansky mentioned the total number of CIP projects; projected that staff will construct between 20 and 25 projects per year and design between 15 and 25 for construction in the following year; talked about this Commission having much staff support; noted that Commission ideas have to work themselves up through a queue and Commission suggestions must be filtered through the priorities of the City Council and the broader Strategic Plan.

Discussion followed regarding restoring trees on the Rockefeller Lane greenway, SCE rules and regulations regarding plantings on their corridors, refreshing the database of all City trees and expanding the number of trees planted.

Chair Yousufzai returned to Item No. H.

## **L.2. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN**

Library Director Vinke addressed two items related to the PAC that are included in the City's Strategic Plan.

Commissioner Maroko spoke about keeping the Historical Resources Survey fresh in the minds of City Council.

## **L.3. COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE**

Commissioner Maroko spoke about progress being made with the Path of History markers.

Cultural Arts Manager Meyer announced the City's upcoming birthday celebration.

Discussion followed regarding whether the Historical Society will be distributing a flyer.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta addressed the Franklin Park Subcommittee.

Commissioner Galassi indicated she understood she was on the subcommittee.

It was noted that Commissioners Lang, Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were on the subcommittee.

Chair Yousufzai withdrew from the subcommittee and Commissioner Galassi replaced him.

Discussion followed regarding working on the Commission by-laws after City Council has voted on the new rules of order for meetings and Commissions.

Commissioner Lang pointed out that her name should be added to the Facilities Users Subcommittee roster and Commissioner Galassi's name should be removed.

Commissioner Rowe mentioned features and activities in connection with the City's upcoming birthday celebration and invited everyone to attend.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, and carried by voice vote, to receive and file all written and oral reports.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

#### **M. ITEMS FROM STAFF**

Library Director Vinke urged members of the Commission to sign up for the Library newsletter.

#### **N. COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA TOPICS**

Library Director Vinke reported that various Library Staff will attend future PAC meetings to present regarding the Library and its programs.

Commissioner Lang asked Public Works to maintain the restrooms at Alta Vista Park.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Maroko, and approved by voice vote, to place on a future agenda, a discussion regarding the possibility of installing a community garden on a strip of land at Aviation Park in North Redondo.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

#### **O. ADJOURNMENT – 9:31 p.m.**

There being no further business to come before the Public Amenities Commission, motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Chair Yousufzai, to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. to a regular meeting to held at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, in the Redondo Beach City Hall Council Chambers 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

The motion carried 5-0. Commissioners Caldwell and McCauley were absent.

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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Dana Vinke  
Library Director



# Administrative Report

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F.4., File # PA25-0702

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**TITLE**

RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## **Library Director's Report – May 2025**

The Library Director continued to schedule regular meetings with Library Managers to review and address Library related matters and provide communication between departments.

The Library Director attended the City's Strategic Plan meeting on April 29, 2025 in the Library meeting room.

The Library is working on designs for new Library cards which will incorporate the City's new logo.

### **Facilities**

Library staff continued to address regular maintenance and minor facility issues as they arose.

### **Programs**

Library staff continued to plan and coordinate public programs for adult and youth for 2025.

Youth and Adult Services are working to plan and implement the Summer Reading Program for 2025.

National Library Week Opportunity Drawing, the Library received 275 tickets (177/Main & 98/NB)

The Library is hosting a local history trivia event at the Library on Saturday, May 10 at 2:00pm.

### **Outreach**

The Library performed outreach at the Kensington Redondo Beach, senior living facility on Saturday, April 26.

The Library planned on performing outreach at the Redondo Beach Birthday Celebration on Saturday, April 26. Unfortunately, the event was cancelled due to inclement weather.

### **Staffing**

The Library selected a new Youth Services Librarian. Lisa Juarez has been promoted to the position of Youth Services Librarian, effective Saturday, May 17, 2025.

Jay Patel, full-time Library Clerk, resigned as of April 12.

The Library is actively working with the Human Resources Department to recruit and fill the following positions:

Library Manager – Recruitment ongoing

Library Administrative Coordinator – Second round interviews are scheduled soon

### **Open+**

Library staff is working to pilot the system and hopes to soft launch the service soon.

**PROGRAMS/PARTICIPANTS**

2024-25	JULY		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER			
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH		
ADULT PROGRAMS	7		4		9		6		2	8	0	2	0	38
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	139		87		154		82		15	123	0	15	0	615
TEEN PROGRAMS	4	1	2	1	10	2	4	1	2	2	1	2	1	31
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	79	5	27	3	113	28	28	0	13	0	13	5		314
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	19	10	18	11	16	12	20	10	15	11	34	13		189
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	657	250	466	342	253	226	802	214	126	156	368	118		3978
OFFSITE			2								1	0		3
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS			1200								500	0		1700
TOTAL PROGRAMS	30	11	26	12	35	14	32	13	25	12	39	14		263
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	875	255	1780	345	520	254	927	229	262	156	896	123		6,622

	JANUARY		FEBRUARY		MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		TOTAL
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	
ADULT PROGRAMS	6	1	9	3	8	2	10	3					80
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	65	6	111	48	268	19	359	126					1,617
TEEN PROGRAMS	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1					42
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	30	5	20	6	11	0	24	18					428
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	14	9	14	8	14	9	13	8					278
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	349	248	422	212	314	243	318	229					6,313
OFFSITE					2		2						7
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS					150		250						2,100
TOTAL PROGRAMS	21	11	25	12	26	12	27	12					409
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	444	259	553	266	743	262	951	373					10,473

**PROGRAMS/PARTICIPANTS**

2023-24	JULY		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER		
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	
ADULT PROGRAMS	4	1	5	1	6	0	4	1	3	0	5	0	30
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	30	8	89	12	104	0	27	8	29	0	61	0	368
TEEN PROGRAMS	1	1	1	1	3	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	14
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	16	2	15	3	48	0	41	0	31	0	9	0	165
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	21	8	17	10	14	10	16	12	13	10	11	9	151
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	844	266	672	363	383	168	469	217	412	167	399	172	4,532
OFFSITE	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,200	0	2,275
TOTAL PROGRAMS	27	10	23	12	23	10	23	13	19	10	13	0	183
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	965	276	776	378	535	168	537	225	472	167	2,608	0	7,107

	JANUARY		FEBRUARY		MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		TOTAL
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	
ADULT PROGRAMS	4	0	5	0	5	1	7	0	4	0	4	0	60
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	70	0	98	0	95	52	106	0	42	0	27	0	858
TEEN PROGRAMS	2	0	2	0	3	0	6	1	4	0	2	1	35
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	15	0	26	0	48	0	59	0	139	0	58	4	514
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	11	9	13	11	22	11	19	13	25	15	18	9	327
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	263	199	332	246	539	57	331	253	506	245	1,951	273	9,727
OFFSITE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,275
TOTAL PROGRAMS	17	9	20	11	30	12	32	14	33	15	24	10	410
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	348	199	456	246	682	109	496	253	687	245	2,036	277	13,141



Digital Circulation 2023-2024 and 2024-2025

2024-25	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Overdrive/Libby	1,686	2,589	2,355	2,491	2,422	2,537	2,778	2,511	2,672				22,041
Ebooks	623	960	898	891	824	927	969	804	859				7,755
Eaudiobooks	455	729	726	762	726	747	891	778	764				6,578
Magazines	606	899	730	836	870	861	917	926	1,045				7,690
Other/Video	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	3	4				18
Hoopla	2,996	2,898	2,658	2,614	2,656	2,533	2,832	2,694	2,977				24,858
Ebooks	964	1,135	1,088	1,083	1,044	1,009	1,172	1,055	1,186				9,736
Eaudiobooks	1,484	1,286	1,017	997	1,029	986	1,090	1,042	1,136				10,067
Bingepass	18	18	18	22	27	25	31	39	46				244
Comics	213	171	176	211	234	190	234	217	280				1,926
Movies	167	136	189	160	160	168	152	177	152				1,461
Music	63	72	79	54	92	80	70	68	89				667
Television	87	80	91	87	70	75	83	96	88				757
Kanopy	756	701	775	774	851	841	1046	671	783				7,198
Total													54,097
2023-24	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
CloudLibrary	1,354	1,407	1,060	1,412	1,363	1,360	1,736	1,540	1,563	1,591	1,748	1,628	17,762
Ebooks	621	618	421	569	566	538	749	635	635	664	763	672	7,451
Eaudiobooks	733	789	639	843	797	822	987	905	928	927	985	956	10,311
Hoopla	2,538	2,759	2,595	2,587	2,681	2,511	2,785	2,597	2,775	2,876	2,811	2,928	32,443
Ebooks	820	865	846	869	816	782	897	860	872	934	869	946	10,376
Eaudiobooks	1,287	1,377	1,295	1,285	1,334	1,246	1,438	1,323	1,445	1,453	1,497	1,416	16,396
Bingepass	12	12	19	19	20	26	18	17	16	26	25	23	233
Comics	132	155	133	113	178	137	141	159	179	169	145	205	1,846
Movies	124	125	123	140	165	136	124	109	124	112	131	153	1,566
Music	43	80	63	70	75	71	72	43	67	77	62	81	804
Television	120	145	116	91	93	113	95	86	72	105	82	104	1,222
Kanopy	418	451	600	533	595	671	619	738	557	686	661	636	7,165
Overdrive/Libby	467	453	635	1,140	1117	1112	1172	1156	1248	1058	1212	1250	12,020
Ebooks	161	168	164	197	198	238	213	206	236	285	292	379	2,737
Eaudiobooks	91	58	98	111	74	97	125	109	141	155	223	284	1,566
Magazines	210	225	370	827	839	774	831	837	870	615	696	586	7,680
Other/Video	5	2	3	5	6	3	3	4	1	3	1	1	37
Total													69,390

# May Library Events

## CHILDREN'S CRAFT & LEGO PROGRAMS\*\*

### **Craft @ MAIN LIBRARY**

#### **Meeting Room - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

Tuesday, 5/6 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

### **Lego Club @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY**

#### **Meeting Room**

Thursday, 5/8 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

### **Lego Club @ MAIN LIBRARY**

#### **Meeting Room - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

Monday, 5/12 & 5/19 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

### **Craft @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY**

#### **Meeting Room**

Thursday, 5/15 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

\*\*Limit of 40 individuals —\*\* Tickets will be handed out at the Children's Reference desk at 15 minutes before the start of the program.

## STORYTIMES & SPECIAL PROGRAMS @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

### **Choose Your Own Activity**

Thursday, 5/1 at 3:30pm-4:00pm

### **Supercharged Storytime for ages 2-6**

Tuesdays, 5/6; 5/13; 5/20 & 5/27 at 3:30pm-4:10pm

### **Music and Movement with Dance 1**

Wednesday, 5/14 at 3:30pm-4:00pm

### **Bilingual Storytime with NIHAO Chinese School**

Wednesday, 5/21 at 3:30pm-4:00pm

\*\*Limit of 40 individuals —\*\* Tickets will be handed out at the Reference desk at 15 minutes before the start of the program.

## TEEN PROGRAMS - Grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

### **TAC Program @ Main Library**

Wednesday, 5/7 at 4:00pm-5:00pm

### **Teen Program - @ Main Library**

Wednesday, 5/21 at 4:00pm-5:00pm

### **Teen Program - @ North Branch Library**

Thursday, 5/29 at 4:00pm-5:00pm

## DON HATA HISTORIAN, POET, ARTIST & AUTHOR

**Saturday, May 17 at 1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Main Library - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

Don Hata is a retired professor of history at California State University, Dominguez Hills. At the age of three, Hata and his family was imprisoned at a camp in Gila River, Arizona after President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066. Don will talk about the issues that led to the incarceration of Japanese Americans and his own personal experiences.

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## SPECIAL CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS@MAIN LIBRARY\*\*

### **Music Together**

Monday, 5/5 at 11:30am-Noon - Meeting Room - Floor 2

### **Rainbow Storytime**

Tuesday, 5/6 at 11:30am-Noon - Storytime Room

### **Dos Idiomas, Un Libro: Bilingual Spanish Storytime**

Thursdays, 5/8; 5/15; 5/22 & 5/29 at 4:15pm-4:45pm  
Storytime Room

\*\*Limit of 40 individuals \*\* - Tickets Required\*\*

Get tickets at the Children's Desk at 15 minutes prior to program start time.\*\*

## SHELF CARE: BOOK CLUB @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

**Monday, May 19 at 11:15am – 12:15pm**

### **The Library Book by Susan Orlean**

An in-person book club. Read the book and talk about it, or just learn more about the book. *Coffee is generously funded by the Friends of the Redondo Beach Library.*

## CELEBRATE ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

We are recognizing the month with programs - Book Discussion on 5/13; Don Hata on 5/17; and Cherry Blossom Arts & Crafts on 5/19

## STORYTIMES - MAIN LIBRARY \*\*

### **Walkers & Talkers Storytime for 1-5 year-olds**

Wednesdays, 5/7; 5/14; 5/21 & 5/28 at Noon -12:30pm  
A Storytime for 1-5 year olds and their caregivers & siblings- full of early literacy concepts, songs, rhymes, movement, and fun!

### **Baby Lapsit (0 to 18 months)**

Thursdays, 5/8; 5/15; 5/22 & 5/29 at 11:15am-11:45am  
We welcome babies 0-18 months and their caregivers to join us for a fun indoor storytime full of songs, rhymes, and finger plays!

\*\*Limit of 40 individuals —\*\* Tickets will be handed out at the Children's Reference desk at 15 minutes before the start of the program.

## Coder Dojo @ North Branch Library Meeting Room (ages 7-17)

**Saturday, May 17 at 3:00pm - 4:30pm**

Registration is recommended. Register for these events at: <https://library.redondo.org>  
click on events calendar; click on program date; click on register for this event.

\*\*Limit of 20 individuals. Children under 9 must be accompanied by an adult. Bring your own laptop/chromebook from home.



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# May Library Events

## ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION

### *Zoom program*

A Redondo Beach Librarian will lead the discussion.

**Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30pm - 7:30pm**

*The Leavers* by Lisa Ko

Free virtual program, registration is required. \*\*Register at: <https://library.redondo.org> or Click on events calendar; click on program date; click on register for this event.

## INTRODUCTION TO APPS

**LEARN HOW TO USE THEM @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY**

**Saturday, May 24 at 11:30am-12:30pm**

North Branch Library - Meeting Room

Are you curious about "APPS"? A Redondo Beach Librarian will explain popular apps, what they do, and how to use and download them to your devices. There will be time for questions and apps demonstrations.

## CLASSICAL GUITAR MUSIC WITH RYAN AYERS

**Saturday, May 3 at 1:00pm - 2:00pm**

Main Library - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

The whole family will enjoy Ryan's unique blend of guitar skills, musical voice and artistry. First a student, and now faculty at Loyola Marymount University, Ryan honed his technique under a world-renowned classical guitarist. The result is poetry as sound. Enjoy this free musical event.

*The Friends of the Redondo Beach Public Library has generously funded this program.*

## POETRY WORKSHOP WITH LINDA NEAL

**Saturday, May 10 at 10:30am - Noon**

Main Library - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room

In-person poetry workshop for all levels of poets. Come for inspiration and collaboration.

## REDONDO BEACH HISTORY TRIVIA CHALLENGE

**Saturday, May 10 at 2:00pm - 3:30pm**

Main Library - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

Join us for a fun and educational trivia event. Test your knowledge and learn something new. Free, but participation requires registration and is limited to 42 people. Participants will work in groups of six to answer questions. To register email [amy.feller@redondo.org](mailto:amy.feller@redondo.org) or call 310.697.3326 (first come/first serve)

Registration is not required for attendees who are not participating, but would like to watch and learn.

*The Friends of the Redondo Beach Public Library has generously funded this program.*

## THE FIVE SENSES: HOW THEY CHANGE WITH AGE PRESENTED BY THE FOUNDATION FOR SENIOR SERVICES

**Thursday, May 29 11:30am - 12:30pm**

Main Library - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

Normal aging causes gradual losses to the sensory systems. Learn how to recognize the changes and how to protect your senses as you age.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS PROGRAM AT NORTH BRANCH CHERRY BLOSSOMS

**Monday, May 19 4:00pm-6:00pm**

North Branch Library - Meeting Room

Create an original mixed media art piece.

Limited to 25 participants. To register, email [amy.feller@redondo.org](mailto:amy.feller@redondo.org) (first come/first serve)

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## BOOK SALE @ MAIN LIBRARY

**SATURDAY, MAY 17 @ 10AM-2PM**

**FRIENDS OF THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Storytime Room & Book Store - 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Great buys on gently used books!

## STITCH & SEW REDONDO @NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

**Saturday, May 3 - 11:00am - 2:00pm**

\*Materials and sewing machines are not provided. Participants are encouraged to bring items or projects that they are working on to the program to get tips or pointers.

## LIBRARY IS CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 26, 2025

## INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

**Saturday, May 31 - 11:00am-Noon**

Main Library - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room

A Librarian will show you how to use the Library's digital collection of eBooks, eAudio Books, Movies, and Foreign Language learning through *Mango* and how to find your next book on *Novelist*.

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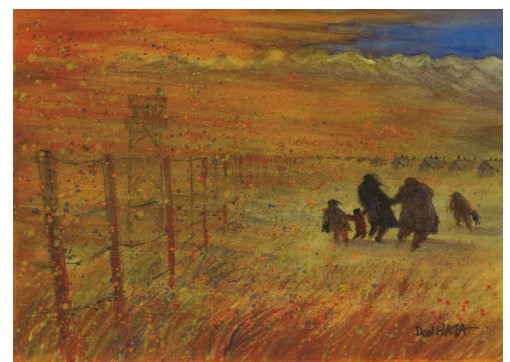
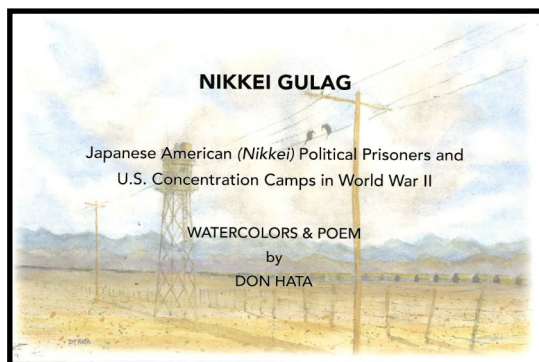
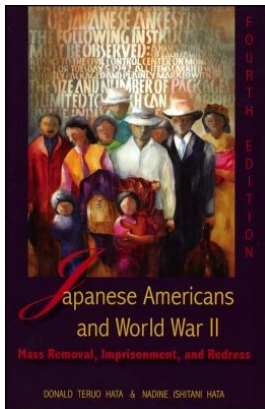
# Don Hata

## Historian, Artist, Poet and Author

In 1942, President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066 resulting in the imprisonment and relocations of Japanese Americans and Japanese Nationals. Don Hata, will talk about the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II. Hata, a native of Los Angeles, was imprisoned along with his family at a camp in Gila River, AZ., when he was three years old.

Don Hata is a retired emeritus professor of history at California State University, Dominguez Hills where he taught classes on U.S. History, Asian History and Asian American History.

May is Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month. It provides an opportunity to learn about the history and contributions of Asian American communities, including the Japanese American concentration camps of WW II. Don will talk about the issues that led to the incarceration of Japanese Americans and his own personal experiences at the camp. His poems, watercolor paintings and memories reflect the harsh realities of the concentration camp.



**Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

**1:30pm-2:30pm**

**Redondo Beach Main Library  
Conference Room - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**



Donald Hata



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*Free and open to the public.  
Copies of his book will be for  
sale.*



# **“Cherry Blossoms” - Art & Craft Project**

**Create an original mixed media art piece using recycled materials and paint.**

**Santiago and Vanesa will provide all the supplies and will guide participants through a step-by-step demonstration.**

**This workshop is intended for ages 8 and up.**

**The workshop is free, but registration is required.**

**Limited to 25 attendees. To register, email  
[amy.feller@redondo.org](mailto:amy.feller@redondo.org)**

**Monday, May 19**

**4:00pm - 6:00pm**

**North Branch Library - Meeting Room**



This program is generously funded by the  
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# Introduction Electronic Resources

Saturday, May 31  
11:00am-Noon  
Main Library  
Meeting Room Floor 2



Curious about eBooks for Summer Reading,  
or our other digital offerings?  
Join us at our newest program!

- Learn how to use the Redondo Beach Library App
- Discover our digital collection of eBooks, eAudio Books, Movies and more
- Learn about other Foreign Language Learning through Mango
- Learn how to find your next book on Novelist.

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# BOOK SALE

Stock up for Summer Reading!

**Saturday, 17 May 2025      10 AM – 2 PM\***

**Redondo Beach Public Library**

**Main Branch**

**1<sup>st</sup> Floor Children's Room and Book Shop**

303 North PCH, Redondo Beach, CA 90277, 310.318.0675

\*30 minute early entry for Friends of the RBPL Members

We accept donations via cash, check, debit/credit cards, pay pal.

*All donations support the Summer Reading Program.*

*Donations to The Friends (a 501-c3 nonprofit). are tax-deductible. Check with your tax preparer.*





# Redondo Beach History Trivia Challenge

Join us for a fun and educational trivia event in celebration of Redondo Beach's 133<sup>rd</sup> birthday! Test your knowledge and learn something new at our Local History Trivia event.

**May 10, 2025**

**2:00pm - 3:30pm**

**Redondo Beach Main Library  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room**



Visit the *Archives of Redondo Beach History* to learn more local history or visit our Facebook page for *Facebook Throwbacks*. Many of the questions & answers for the challenge can be found there.

**The program is free, but participation requires registration and is limited to the first 42 participants. Participants will work in groups of six to answer the questions.**

**To register as a participant, email [amy.feller@redondo.org](mailto:amy.feller@redondo.org) or call **310.697.3326**.**

Registration is not required for attendees who are not participating, but would like to join to watch and learn.

*This program is Sponsored by The Friends of the Redondo Beach Public Library (a non-profit 501(c)3 organization)*



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# Administrative Report

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H.1., File # PA25-0703

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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## **TITLE**

*For eComments and Emails Received from the Public*



# Administrative Report

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L.1., File # PA25-0704

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**To:** PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

**From:** DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

**TITLE**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE 2025 LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAM



# Administrative Report

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L.2., File # PA25-0683

Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**To: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION**

**From: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR**

## **TITLE**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF A PARK RANGER PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEE

## **BACKGROUND**

On November 8, 2023, the former Recreation and Parks (R&P) Commission created a Park Ranger Subcommittee (Subcommittee) to research and analyze whether the R&P Commission should recommend to the City Council the establishment of a Park Ranger program, including information on desired roles, responsibilities, and oversight. R&P Commissioners Deckman, Yousufzai, and Lang were selected for this role. The Subcommittee held multiple meetings with staff from various departments including the Police and Community Services Departments as a way to gather anecdotal information as well as boots-on-the-ground insight on whether a Park Ranger program was necessary, and if so, how would it be most effective against current issues experienced in the parks.

The Subcommittee was in the process of having subsequent conversations with the City's police department personnel as well as discussions with the Public Works team in order to determine its recommendation to share with the R&P Commission. Unfortunately, the R&P Commission was consolidated with multiple commissions in 2024, which created the Public Amenities (PA) Commission. At that time, the work of the subcommittee halted until the PA Commission could consider whether it desired to continue addressing the issue. Currently, the PA Commission's Chairperson Yousufzai and Commissioner Lang, the original members of the Subcommittee under the R&P Commission, are serving on the PA Commission.

Staff requests the PA Commission consider whether it would like to create the Park Ranger Subcommittee to resume the work previously accomplished under the R&P Commission regarding the Park Ranger program.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None



# Administrative Report

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Meeting Date: 5/14/2025

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**TO:** PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

**FROM:** DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

## **TITLE**

COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive an update on each subcommittee's respective projects; and review and affirm each subcommittee's goals and those commissioners serving on each.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Public Amenities Commission has a number of active subcommittees that are individually tasked with specific projects. As part of the commission's ongoing review of the work assigned to its subcommittees, a current subcommittee member may briefly describe the mission of each subcommittee and any projects currently in process. The discussion will provide an opportunity to inform the commission of the current progress of each project; allow commissioners to express their interests, goals, and desires to be involved in subcommittees that have a vacancy; propose new subcommittees for consideration; or modify the number of approved subcommittees. A maximum of three commissioners may serve on a single subcommittee. There are no limitations to the number of subcommittees a commissioner may serve.

### Preservation - Minor Alterations Subcommittee

Commissioners Galassi and Lang

### Facilities Users Subcommittee

Commissioners McCauley, Galassi, and Chair Yousufzai

### Volunteer Acknowledgement Program

Commissioners Rowe and Caldwell

### Bringing History to the Community Subcommittee

Commissioners Lang, McCauley and Maroko

### Franklin Park Playground Subcommittee

Commissioners Lang, Caldwell, and Galassi

### City's Birthday Celebration Ad Hoc Subcommittee

Commissioners Rowe and Chair Yousufzai

Subcommittee items requiring formal action or consideration of the Commission must be formally agendaized prior to any action.

**ATTACHMENTS**

None