



Administrative Report

H.5., File # 24-0567

Meeting Date: 4/9/2024

To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From: GREG KAPOVICH, WATERFRONT & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

TITLE

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY ORDINANCE NO. 3268-24, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 2-9.704 OF ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 9, TITLE 2 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE HARBOR COMMISSION, FOR SECOND READING AND ADOPTION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Appointments to the Harbor Commission must be made in accordance with Redondo Beach Municipal Code (RBMC) Section 2-9.704, which requires one member to be selected from a list of five names submitted by the Redondo Beach Harbor and Redondo Beach Pier Lessee's Association (HAPLA). HAPLA is no longer a functioning organization and the City Council asked staff to prepare an amendment to Section 2-9.704 of the RBMC to remove the HAPLA requirement and allow a member of the commission to be selected from a list of names submitted by the King Harbor Association and Redondo Pier Association. In the event the associations failed to submit a list of names, the Council requested that the Mayor be given the ability to recommend an at-large appointment.

The Ordinance modification was drafted accordingly and first introduced at the January 23, 2024 City Council meeting. The Council voted to support the proposed amendment, but directed staff to eliminate specific reference to the King Harbor Association and Redondo Pier Association. Instead, the Council asked that the language be adjusted to allow any harbor association to submit a list of five names. In addition, Council requested that the Mayor be able to appoint the member at-large, at any point during the selection process, rather than in the event the associations fail to submit a list of five names. The Ordinance, as modified, is now ready for second reading and adoption.

BACKGROUND

On August 18, 2020, the City Council directed staff to return with a text amendment to remove any reference to HAPLA in (RBMC) Section 2-9.704 and replace it with reference to the two operating associations within the Waterfront called the King Harbor Association and the Redondo Pier Association. In addition, the Council directed staff to include language in the amendment to allow an at-large appointment, should the King Harbor Association and Redondo Pier Association fail to submit a list of five names on a timely basis. The existing qualifications for the remaining appointments would remain unchanged and would continue to require training and experience as either an attorney, architect, engineer, business owner, real estate broker, accountant, property

manager, contractor, government employee, commercial developer, or boat owner.

On September 1, 2020, the Ordinance, as directed above, was presented to City Council for first reading. The Council approved the Ordinance for introduction.

On September 15, 2020, the Ordinance was returned to City Council for second reading and adoption, but the item was not approved due to concerns that the names of the identified associations, King Harbor Association and Redondo Pier Association, were inaccurate. The item was then continued to a future City Council meeting.

On January 23, 2024, the City Council voted to support the proposed amendment to eliminate reference of HAPLA but also directed staff to eliminate any reference to the King Harbor Association and Redondo Pier Association. Instead, Council directed staff to further adjust the language to allow the submission of a list of five names from any harbor association. In addition, City Council directed staff to allow the Mayor to appoint the member at-large at any point during the selection process, instead of the original proposal which only allowed the Mayor to do so in the event that the associations failed to submit a list of five names.

The proposed amendment has been updated accordingly and is ready for second reading and adoption.

COORDINATION

The proposed amendment to the qualifications for appointment to the Harbor Commission was coordinated by the City Attorney's Office in consultation with the Waterfront and Economic Development Department.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed amendment.

APPROVED BY:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS

- Amended Ordinance No. 3268-24, RBMC 2-9.704