

**CITY OF REDONDO BEACH
PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION AGENDA
Wednesday, April 8, 2026**

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. [APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2026](#)

F.2. [APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2026.](#)

F.3. [RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT](#)

F.4. [RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RELATED TO HISTORICAL & PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES](#)

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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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 FISCAL YEAR 26-27 BUDGET INPUT TO THE CITY MANAGER](#)

L.2. [RECEIVE AND FILE PRESENTATION OUTLINING REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY ADULT PROGRAMMING.](#)

L.3. [DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RESEARCH OF THE HISTORY OF THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY IN REDONDO BEACH](#)

L.4. [COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE](#)

M. ITEMS FROM STAFF

N. COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA TOPICS

O. ADJOURNMENT

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Administrative Report

E.1., File # PA26-0431

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TITLE

For Blue Folder Documents



Administrative Report

F.1., File # PA26-0432

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TITLE

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COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2026

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CITY OF REDONDO BEACH) SS

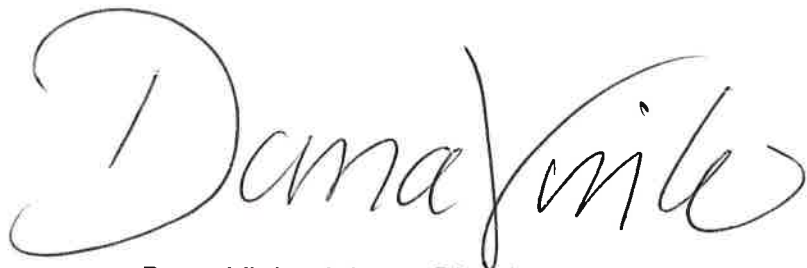
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Dana Vinke, Library Director

Date: April 3, 2026



Administrative Report

F.2., File # PA26-0433

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TITLE

APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2026.



A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission was called to order by Chair Maroko at 6:30 P.M., in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California, and teleconference.

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Yousufzai, Galassi, Rowe, McCauley, Chair Maroko

Commissioners Absent: Caldwell, Lang

Officials Present: Dana Vinke, Library Director
Becca McNeely, Liaison
Lane Butler, Administrative Coordinator/Liaison

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Becca McNeely led the Commissioners on the salute to the flag

D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Yousufzai, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, to approve the order of the agenda.

Library Director Vinke stated that Jack Meyer was going to address the birthday celebration for item L.1 and suggested they move the order of agenda around to give him a chance to arrive at the meeting.

Discussion followed.

Commissioner Yousufzai amended his motion to move item L.1 subsequent to L.5 in the order of the agenda.

Commissioner Galassi seconded the amended motion.

Liaison McNeely reported no public comments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

E.1. BLUE FOLDER

Library Director Vinke reported Blue Folder items regarding L.3 from Commissioner Lang, L.4 from Chair Maroko, L.5 from Commissioner Galassi, and public comment.

Motion by Commissioner Rowe, seconded by Commissioner Galassi, to receive and file the Blue Folder items.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

F.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2026

F.2. Pulled by Chair Maroko

F.3. Pulled by Chair Maroko

F.4. RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RELATED TO HISTORICAL & PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

CONTACT: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR
JACK MEYER, CULTURAL ARTS MANAGER

Chair Maroko pulled items F.1 and F.2. and invited public comments.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Yousufzai, to approve items F.1 and F.4 on the Consent Calendar.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

F.3. RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chair Maroko wanted to give the Library Director an opportunity to highlight some of the items in his report.

Library Director Vinke stated one of the things he was very proud of is his staff coordinated a Library Lovers Month, where people could provide feedback on the library; reported submitting the comment cards in an attachment as a PDF and that they received lots of positive feedback about the staff and facilities; spoke of working with the Homeless Housing Navigator and their staff to provide office space at the library for them; announced that staff is working on their One Book One Coast Program and are excited

about coordinating with dozens of libraries across the coast for the series of programs; stated once they have a flier they will also link it to their programs but also to the programs provided locally in the South Bay and along the coast; mentioned the stream offered with author George Takei on his graphic memoir They Called Us Enemy; reported that staff participated in the RBPB's Safety Fair Open House and next to them at the open house were Friends of the Library handing out free books and promoting their resources; highlighted the Library Ladies of Redondo Beach program to learn about the origins of their library system and the prominent women that contributed to its existence; reported receiving some positive press in the newspaper regarding their International Mother Language Day special story time; noted that the other program that the Library has had a lot of success with is the Dining in the South Bay with Richard Foss, a culinary historian, who aggregated a lot of history on the origins of dining; thanked his colleague Jack Meyer for helping the Library get the word out on all the programs to the museum; opened up the floor to questions.

Commissioner Galassi commented that she was sorry to have missed the multilingualism event at the Library because she is fluent in five languages but said it was great to see the article.

Chair Maroko provided some feedback on the first part of the Dining in the South Bay, stated he attended the first part which had about 45 or more people; announced the second part of the series on March 21st and would feature the period from 1945 to 1985; recommended they should all attend the second part; asked Director Vinke for feedback on the Open Access Program.

Library Director Vinke commented that with caution and perseverance the Library implemented the program and requested that the managers who provide orientation and onboarding for new users of the express hours at North Branch send him emails with updates; reported that it seems to be growing, they could explore other days of service, there are some challenges to overcome, and they will continue to explore options for the program; stated feedback has been only positive and described the reasons people have enjoyed having the Open Access Program available.

Commissioner Galassi asked what the difference was between Patron logins and Active Users.

Library Director Vinke said they have many library card holders but how many people use their library cards is a separate number.

Chair Maroko asked Director Vinke to introduce the new staff person.

Library Director Vinke said a fond farewell to Becca McNeely, who had been instrumental to both the Library Commission and the PAC; welcomed Lane Butler who will be the full-

time Library Administrative Coordinator.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, to receive and file the Library Director's Report.

Liaison McNeely reported no public comments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

F.2. APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2026.

Chair Maroko pointed out under F.4 of the February 11, 2026 meeting minutes that the motion recorded says 5-0-2 by roll call vote but there was no roll call written, so he said there are still issues on how the vote is being recorded; stated that the minutes that have been approved onto the Legistar have not been posted and they need to be more accessible to the public.

Library Director Vinke stated he would look into the posting of the minutes the following morning.

Motion by Commissioner Rowe, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, to approve the February 11, 2026, minutes.

Motion carried 3-1-3 by voice vote. Chair Maroko was opposed. Commissioner Yousufzai abstained since he did not participate in that meeting. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

Eric Stitt, 12-year resident of South Redondo, suggested the Library create a nighttime program for book clubs with other community members that would allow for beverages and snacks; requested a similar atmosphere to the concerts in the park where they allow alcoholic beverages such as wine; stated it would be an opportunity to employ a vendor to serve drinks and/or snacks; offered to host the events.

Liaison McNeely reported no eComments and no one online.

I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION - None

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA - None

L. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

Commissioner Yousufzai asked if they needed to amend their motion since they moved L.1 to follow L.5.

Chair Maroko said his understanding was if Jack Meyer was not there in time they would move the item.

Library Director Vinke stated they were good to proceed.

L.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF AN AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE TO ASSIST STAFF IN THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY'S 134TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AT THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM ON APRIL 25, 2026 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DESIGNATE A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT TO SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EVENT

CONTACT: JACK MEYER, CULTURAL ARTS MANAGER

Cultural Arts Manager Meyer stated he was there to ask for help planning the event; announced it would be on April 25th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; mentioned the could implement the budget matrix Commissioner Yousufzai created last year but did not get to use; hoped Commissioners Yousufzai and Rowe would agree to assist; suggested they implement what they didn't get to do last year including the stilt walker, Busy Bees face painting, RBPD and Rbfd participation to bring back their giant flag and popcorn truck, and noted that the Recreation Department has already offered a games table; mentioned he may ask the Library Director for their help; stated they will set a budget for the event; reported last year they had set a budget of \$3,000 and Commissioner Yousufzai put one together for \$2,400 max and asked if the Commission could establish another budget for this year with a "not to exceed number".

Chair Maroko asked the Commission members who would like to participate in the subcommittee.

Commissioners Rowe and Yousufzai agreed to participate.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Chair Maroko, to approve the Birthday Celebration subcommittee.

Chair Maroko invited public comments.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

Chair Maroko asked if they planned to have the research librarians at the event.

Cultural Arts Manager Meyer said if it is an option they will.

Chair Maroko asked if they had someone working on the flier and if it would be on the City's channel eight.

Cultural Arts Manager Meyer stated he has someone working on the flier and presumably it would go on the City's channel and on the Cultural Arts webpage.

Chair Maroko asked for confirmation that it would not involve the Morrell House.

Cultural Arts Manager Meyer responded that the Morrell House would not be used; reported it is closed to the public for some basic maintenance of the Organization of the Society; trusted that they would still provide a cake, table, and pop-up tent for the event, but they have not spoken to the president yet.

Chair Maroko asked if it would be coming back to them for a budget discussion next month.

Commissioner Galassi said it was her understanding that they had a "not to exceed" amount of \$3,000.

Motion by Commissioner Rowe, seconded by Commissioner Yousufzai, to go forward with a \$3,000 max budget.

Chair Maroko invited public comments.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

Motion by Chair Maroko, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, to receive and file the report.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

L.2. RECEIVE AND FILE PRESENTATION OUTLINING THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

Library Director Vinke introduced Tim Parker, Technical Services Librarian, to provide an overview of the department that he oversees.

Tim Parker explained it is a small department that consists of himself, one library technician, and the help of other part-time librarians and circulation staff; stated that his department handles everything behind the scenes at the library, which includes the maintenance of the City's library database program, the City's online catalog, and the acquisition and preparation of new materials for checkout; reported that they also maintain the library collection which includes repairing books, going through lists, looking for lost items, reordering items that have been lost, replacing damaged items, and removing added date items such as travel books and computer books; stated his department works with library vendors that help them resolve issues to keep things running smoothly and also vendors to evaluate new products and services for the library; stated that acquiring materials is an important part of their job and they have several book selectors consisting of himself, a few full-time staff members, and some part-time

librarians; noted the categories for material acquisition are adult fiction, adult non-fiction, their juvenile collection, their teen collection, DVD's, audio books on CD, and eBooks; reported that different librarians evaluate and select items using professional reviews and statistics on how well things that they currently have do which they use to help them select what to purchase for the City's collection; showed an example of one of the storefronts that the Library uses called Ingram; stated that the selectors submit lists to his acquisitions technician and that person places the orders, keeps track of the budget, and makes sure the materials are received; explained the cataloging process where materials are assigned subjects, such as genres, so people can find what they are looking for based on their interests; explained the next step after cataloging is processing which is where they put stickers on them, stamp them, and put barcodes on them so they can go on the shelf; noted that many times people have them on hold so they try to get them out as quickly as possible; spoke about some of the City's online resources and highlighted two examples: Mango Languages and Little Pim; reported that Mango has over 70 languages available and over 20 ESL courses and Little Pim is the children's version of Mango which contains short 5-minute videos and has 12 languages; spoke about Kanopy, which is an electronic resource that offers a movie and tv platform, and each patron is given 18 tickets per month; explained, depending on what is checked out, it is anywhere from one to five tickets per item; spoke about another resource called NoveList and said it is a good way to find new recommendations for things to read; reported a couple of the librarians are local history experts and have worked on a local history database for years and have over 900 items uploaded including yearbooks, directories, postcards, photos, and other items donated by community members; explained that everything for that database is scanned into the system and searchable; introduced a digital periodical called Pressreader, by the Southern California Library Cooperative, which has over 7,000 publications from around the world in both newspapers and magazines; spoke about Newsbank, which provides the Daily Breeze, and ProQuest, which offers a number of popular newspapers; mentioned another resource provided by the state library which gives library cardholders free access to The New York Times website; stated, due to Chair Maroko, Library Director Vinke, and a number of other libraries, they are able to offer the Historical Daily Breeze provided by Newspapers.com, which was a collaboration between LA County libraries, UC Riverside, and Newspapers.com who worked together to get the resource digitized; spoke of the Redondo Reflex, which is the City's local paper from long ago, and they have from 1906 to 1970 available; moved onto eBooks and spoke about using Libby by Overdrive, which is a top eBook service for libraries; mentioned that eBooks are expensive so they need to balance the demand with cost and the formats are limited which creates challenges; noted that with Libby they also get magazine service and they added a partner library program as well; stated they also offer a digital streaming service called Hoopla, which is primarily eBooks and e-Audiobooks but provides everything including comics, movies, music, and tv; stated that Hoopla content is always available and on demand and currently they allow six borrows per month.

Commissioner Galassi asked, other than reviews, if there is some way patrons can make recommendations on books.

Tim Parker responded that they have a form on the City's website for patron recommendations or they have a paper form that can be used; stated that they are distributed to their selectors based on the appropriate section and they do their best to accommodate those requests.

Commissioner Galassi commented that some of the libraries they have are very far away and asked how they formed the relationship with all the other libraries.

Tim Parker spoke about Overdrive onboarding all the new libraries and anyone that wants to opt in can opt in; noted it is cumbersome to log into all the libraries at first but once you do you can see the availability of all the libraries.

Commissioner McCauley asked, with streaming access, can a person log-in from anywhere at anytime and do they need to log into the City's website.

Tim Parker explained that for the streaming services, such as Kanopy and Hoopla, people need to have an account registered and then sign in with their library card; stated multiple library cards can actually be used.

Library Director Vinke added any devices that can download the app can be used.

Chair Maroko stated he had a few observations for the Commission; asked them to look at page 28 of Director Vinke's report regarding the usage of the programs and what he found from the report is that they have a very successful library that does a lot to get products out to the people; said he noticed that more historical detail is being provided so when the City gets a landmark application accessing information is easier and readily available; asked if the book club packages that are put together are done through him.

Tim Parker clarified that Chair Maroko was referring to the "Book Club in a Bag" that is offered; stated that it was the previous library director that started the program and it consists of 8 to 10 Book Club in a Bag options, a Redondo Beach bag is provided with 10 to 12 copies of the same book, and a librarian curates questions to help lead the book club formed; stated those are available for checkout at the City's library and they are all California themed books.

Chair Maroko asked if he is the one that puts them together.

Tim Parker said they were put together before he was in his current role.

Chair Maroko asked if he is the one that organizes the fines for books that come back destroyed and if he recommends to the Director the fine amount.

Tim Parker responded that circulation staff handle those, but they often pass books onto him to evaluate whether to replace them.

Chair Maroko invited public comments.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online.

Motion by Commissioner Rowe, seconded by Commissioner Yousufzai, to receive and file the presentation.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

L.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON INPUT ON THE CITY'S FY26-27 BUDGET.

Library Director Vinke stated this item was brought forward as part of the Budget Subcommittee and to coalesce around some direction regarding input on the budget; mentioned it is not the item where the City Manager visits to discuss the budget but anticipated that would be happening soon; reported that he worked with Commissioners Yousufzai and Lang in preparation for the City Manager's visit; asked Commissioner Yousufzai if he had anything to add.

Commissioner Yousufzai referenced a meeting from last year where a process was developed of having budget input/requests, similar to a wish list, from members of the Commission and creating a format or template so they could submit it to the City Council; suggested for the essence of time, since budget input needs to be provided prior to July 1st to City Council, that anyone that has input or a request mirror the format that Commissioner Lang used and submitted in the Blue Folder and he could put it all together in a submission to City Council for consideration during the budget cycle; asked that all input and/or requests be sent through Director Vinke, he can format all the input into a final submission, and the Budget Subcommittee could speak prior to submitting it to Council; stated if they could get that put together quickly he would like to try to have it by next Commission meeting so they could review it.

Chair Maroko asked if they knew the timetable that the City's put out in terms of projects.

Library Director Vinke stated he did not have that information with him, but he knew they were working on concluding the mid-year.

Discussion followed.

Library Director Vinke suggested using Commissioner Yousufzai's model they could aggregate the information and it could be presented as a formal letter, provide it to the City Manager's Office, or they can process it another way if they prefer; noted that as Commissioners and residents they have the ability to talk to the Councilmembers but direction and formality is needed so they can proceed.

Chair Maroko asked if the budget had to be approved by the May meeting, in which Director Vinke replied he believed so; asked if the Library had anything they wanted the Commission to buy into or if they would be directly handling that.

Commissioner Yousufzai opined that the Commission should not ask for things on behalf of staff because they do not want to give the impression that staff are not being provided

certain resources to handle their functions and ultimately, they are part of the budget process separate to this Commission.

Chair Maroko said the root of the topic came from when he was on the Library Commission and their role was to write letters in support of things they wanted so he was just carrying that over.

Commissioner Yousufzai explained that during the budget process each department requests a piece of the General Fund and their separate funds for items they would like; said that if they wanted to emphasize items that are being requested that would probably be fine but to ask for separate items that staff comes to the Commission with to request of the Council would be a separate thing and cautioned against it.

Library Director Vinke stated that the method used by Commissioner Lang was very organic and it provides the opportunity for City departments to address them as the recommendations are made and it is a good model to use; said he does like the concept.

Commissioner McCauley asked if the Strategic Planning Session is already set for the 31st.

Library Director Vinke spoke about the purpose of the Strategic Planning Session and that it is a separate thing from what they are discussing; noted that their item relates specifically to the next fiscal year.

More discussion followed.

Commissioner Yousufzai mentioned there is some overlap in thought with their discussion and what they are doing is similar to the Strategic Plan since it is their objectives that the City and Council will need to consider; pointed out that their approach presents both the budget consideration and a strategic plan together.

Library Director Vinke stated that he is able to convey specific items to the City if they needed but stressed that the Strategic Plan has a lot of projects already.

Commissioner Galassi supported the format **Commissioner Lang** used and felt that is how they should proceed if her fellow Commissioners agreed; noted that some of the items appear to fall squarely into the budget process where others feel like a Strategic Plan item and questioned that; asked if they are going to look at the list and prioritize them.

Commissioner Yousufzai stated she brought up an excellent point and recommended, from a budgeting standpoint, to include in the wish list what items that person would like approved first in the budget next year.

Commissioner Galassi read some of the items from Commissioner Lang's list and felt that some of the items were more Strategic Plan type items and some fell under budgetary items; referenced that at the City Council meeting some students spoke about expanding lighting hours at parks to maximize basketball play, and asked where it would fall under on the list and if she could add it.

Commissioner McCauley stated that the PAC falls under at various functions: Historical, Architectural, Library, and Parks; recommended breaking down their template into those categories and also into Budget or Strategic to make it clearer on what is being prioritized.

Commissioner Yousufzai used the scenario of how each Councilmember focuses on their own districts during the Strategic Plan and not collectively on parts of the City such as Public Works or Finance.

Commissioner McCauley pointed out that as a Commission they need to agree on something to propose or recommend to the Council.

Chair Maroko noted that a lot of the things they are mentioning are process based and there is nothing foreclosing them if they present to the City Manager but they can make their own recommendations to the Council for the next year and gave the example of Park Ranger; said it would be good to be able to suggest something to the City Manager when he does come to their Commission but it doesn't prevent them from keeping ideas off the next calendar year.

Commissioner McCauley stated he liked the idea of the template just to have a record of the ideas, so they don't get lost in the shuffle.

Commissioner Yousufzai agreed with Commissioner McCauley; noted that a lot of their ideas would overlap and when it comes to public budgeting and the Strategic Plan elements get pulled from both so it is important to highlight what they want; stated that if there is a specific request that they think would benefit the next budget cycle they should ask that for the budget component and then the long term projects could be components to the Strategic Plan input; recommended the Commission look at Commissioner Lang's submission and determine if they want it in the budget next year versus long term.

Commissioner Galassi suggested after the meeting they should go home and look at the information, make notes, and then add any additional items they would want on the list; stated she was contacted by a constituent specifically asking about senior programming and when she gets the request from that person she would like to bring that to the Commission to read.

Chair Maroko spoke about carryover items that were in the current budget that were not spent but are being carried over to the next, such as the Ito Park signage, and asked Director Vinke if any determinations have been made on that yet.

Library Director Vinke responded that he cannot answer that but will find out; added that he felt that the Budget Subcommittee was designed to be around for a while and that tracking their suggestions or recommendations is a good idea so that ideas, that might not be addressed immediately, can be retained, and brought back at mid-year or the next budget cycle; spoke about how the Library handles their operational budget and if there is a reason to add an item to the Strategic Plan they provide responses for it; noted if they have a living committee that continues to reintroduce or address their ideas through the year it will keep those items active.

Commissioner Yousufzai said he looks at it in a micro/macro kind of thing where the macro perspective is they want to have an ongoing cyclical process and a micro thing that at this moment if they want any budget input for the next budget cycle it needs to be now; stated, going forward, they might want to have something cyclical but the task at hand for the subcommittee right now is to get whatever perspective to hit the budget.

Chair Maroko felt they had some direction and that Commissioner Yousufzai would be the point person, anything he needed to communicate should go through Director Vinke; asked if there was any public comment.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online.

Chair Maroko let the students know they could get their papers signed off on.

Motion by Commissioner Yousufzai, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, to receive and file the report.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

L.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING INPUT AND SUGGESTIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION DURING THE UPCOMING STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION.

Library Director Vinke stated, as mentioned earlier, that the City Council's Strategic Planning Session is scheduled for the 31st at 2:00 p.m. in the library meeting room; stated this is the time to solicit input from Commissioners on recommendations on anything they would like to include or on input they would like to give; noted that a formal letter is not necessary but staff is happy to take their recommendations/input to the Council.

Commissioner Galassi asked if they were being asked to have a discussion on what items they would like to see done on the Strategic Plan or if he was asking the Commission to send him information that he will send to them.

Library Director Vinke stated if they have recommendations for additions or recommendations to expand on existing items, they are welcome to convey that directly to Council or they can convey it to him.

Chair Maroko stated he felt it is supposed to be a quarterly exercise but they haven't had to deal with it before in the separate Commissions; reported that Public Works has had regular quarterly meetings to discuss it but it is their opportunity to look at items that fall within their purview within the Strategic Plan and make recommendations; noted that they can also attend the meeting on the 31st at 2:00 p.m. or watch it online and give their feedback directly or to their Councilmember; stated they do not need to take action as a Commission.

Commissioner Galassi confirmed that they did not have to take action as a Commission but could make their own recommendations.

Chair Maroko replied that she was correct.

Commissioner Yousufzai stated that they addressed a big portion of this item in L.3; said if every ask for the budget delineates stuff that they want included in next year's budget versus Strategic Plan, it might be that each Commissioner submits something to consider for the budget, they group together all the Strategic Plan items, circulate it to Director Vinke, and whatever input needed for purposes to the Council is done on their end; suggested cyclically moving forward, if they have to do it on a quarterly basis, they can do that but given that they already looked at budget items they want included for next year's cycle it is simple.

Chair Maroko said he had one item which is goal 5.2, number 52, which relates to preservation and updates to the preservation ordinance; noted that he's been trying to find a way to deal with their Historic Inventory, get a survey done, and get it on the agenda; reported that three surveys were done in the City and the last one was in 2001; stated that the updates to the preservation ordinance have not been done and he just went to a three hour session on drafting preservation ordinances; reported he has previously presented a way to cull down the inventory list to a manageable number; noted that surveys are done every five years specifically so they can tell people to either become a historic landmark or get off the list; stated that the City has only been dealing with people wanting to get off the list when they are proposing changes to their property but that this is a provision in the current ordinance that says a person does not have to wait but can come to the PAC and speak to them about it; provided an example of a home having windows changed on a really old house which would never be landmarked unless they replaced the windows but they can get off the list without going through the expensive process and said nobody is looking at that aspect of it; stated that they are looking at drafting a change to that ordinance but in the meantime there are about 1,500 properties on the current list and about 1,000 more that could be on the list; commented that a lot of the homes are being demolished because nobody is looking to see if there should be a historic resource or not; said they should see if they can find a way to cull everything down and if they get rid of the C and D properties it would probably eliminate 90% of the properties on the list; reported what he has presented to the Commission in the last couple of meetings, as a Blue Folder item, is a way to get the properties off the list with certain presumptions; suggested they send out letters to the people informing them they are going to take them off the list unless they want to opt in or inform them that they are on the list unless they want to opt out; spoke of creating a process for people to come to the PAC on a summary provision, the PAC can vote on it, the people can send it to the Council for a vote, or the people can individually appeal it depending on whatever bucket they are placed in; said the PAC has already voted to agendaize it and they are waiting on Community Development to put it on the agenda but Community Development is waiting on direction from the City Council; stated that he has already brought it up to the Council and was hoping the City Manager was there that evening to discuss it but they will just need to wait to see what happens.

Commissioner Galassi stated that the C and D rated properties are not always brought to the PAC and referenced the Baker House as an example of a C or D rated property that

was slated for demolition.

Chair Maroko said its been about 25 years since the last survey and the properties have had 25 years to get off the list; stated what the PAC is doing is creating a process of notifying people of what bucket they think their properties should be in, give them the opportunity to agree or disagree, and offering a process if they don't agree with the PAC's recommendation.

Commissioner Galassi commented that the City has been operating in a way where they did not bring the C or D rated properties to the PAC.

Chair Maroko pointed out that the City is not responsible for bringing it to the PAC, it is the property owner's responsibility to do so.

More discussion followed.

Commissioner Galassi clarified that the properties are not being brought to them when they are making minor alterations or requesting a demolition because they are C and D rated.

Chair Maroko stated if they are on the Resource inventory List they are coming before the PAC.

More discussion between Commissioner Galassi and Chair Maroko followed. Chair Maroko noted that Commissioner Galassi has been on the PAC longer so she may know better.

Commissioner Galassi recalled having a conversation with staff that they do not need to bring the C and D properties to the Commission.

They agreed that it takes those properties off the list.

Commissioner Galassi agreed with Chair Maroko's potential remedy to clean up the inventory list, so they have a new place to start.

Chair Maroko spoke about the \$200,000 quote for the survey being for a Citywide survey; pointed out that the last survey that took place was limited in time and in place and if you take something off the list then there is no need to constantly add them back on; stated that 2001 survey covered only South Redondo and the Community Development Department has 15 volumes of all those properties and noted his plan would save time, space, and inform the public if their home is on the list; stated that written communication is needed to inform the property owners of the status of their property and give them an opportunity to decide if they want to be off or stay on the list; said a process needs to be created where the City Council can ultimately take them off the list so the owner would not have to worry when they want to do a remodel or something.

Commissioner Galassi stated that is what the Preservation Subcommittee would be working on and will include education as well as notification.

Chair Maroko asked if anyone else had anything to add; mentioned when an item is agendized it cannot be discussed until it shows up; stated this was the opportunity to talk about it in the context of the Strategic Plan since it isn't a specific item on the Strategic Plan.

Commissioner Galassi spoke of the Council's vote to request a new ordinance to be drafted but because the new ordinance has not been drafted yet, wanted to clarify that they are still working off of the current ordinance so that means the Historical Resource Inventory is still valid.

Chair Maroko replied yes and said, unfortunately, what Council doesn't realize is when they draft a new ordinance they will still need to do a new survey after five years, which will wipe everything off; said in his personal opinion it will cause more work for staff and Community Development to start from scratch due to the process; commented that it will take months and when somebody submits a landmark application it takes months for it to come before the PAC and homes will be demolished; stated since a new ordinance is not in place they could use the current process, get it to a manageable number, and maybe when they draft the ordinance it will be a little different.

Commissioner Galassi said that this will impact the work of the subcommittee and they don't have firm direction.

Chair Maroko stated they direction the Council agreed to is for the subcommittee to create education programs, work on the material, and update the website.

Discussion followed on whether notification was in the purview of the subcommittee or if their direction was only to promote the program.

Library Director Vinke asked if they wanted to make a recommendation or suggestion regarding it on the Strategic Plan.

Chair Maroko stated the only recommendation he has is to receive and file the report and they are not going to take a vote on it that evening because that is not part of the agenda item; noted they are only having a discussion and he will have a discussion with Commissioner Galassi to figure out what the scope is and look back at all the minutes to see what was decided.

Motion by Chair Maroko, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, to receive and file the discussion regarding the City Council's consideration of the upcoming Strategic Plan Session.

Chair Maroko invited public comments.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

L.5. COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE

Chair Maroko asked for updates on the subcommittees:

Minor Alteration Subcommittee: Commissioner Galassi stated there was no update.

Facilities User Subcommittee: Commissioner McCauley reported meeting with various youth groups and facility users at Veterans Park Senior Center; noted that two youth baseball/softball leagues, two soccer organizations, a dog park representative, Commissioner Lang, himself, and City staff, notably Mike Klein, were in attendance; stated many topics were discussed including the snack bar at Alta Vista Park, the lighting situation at the field, and the issue over the right-of-way at 190th and noted that people were not in favor of a Park Ranger but just wanted enforcement personnel to enforce the current codes.

Volunteer Acknowledgement Subcommittee: Commissioner Rowe stated the status is the same as last month and they have one good candidate to nominate to get an award; asked for people to nominate any volunteers working under Parks and Rec specifically.

Bringing History to Community Subcommittee: Chair Maroko reported that he and Commissioner McCauley haven't met yet; Chair Maroko reported that they have carryover funding for approved projects; Chair Maroko noted that Jack Meyer was able to decrease the cost of the Path of History markers making it more sustainable and that a new one was placed in Veterans Park.

Franklin Park Playground Subcommittee: Commissioner Galassi reported no updates.

Alta Vista Pickleball Subcommittee: Commissioner Galassi reported there are new courts; thanked Deputy Community Services Director Kelly Orta and Rec. Manager Michelle Pinedo for working alongside her to get the courts ready; spoke of all the support they received, of the schedule that was created, and reported that the courts currently have drop in play on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays and for reservations for all other times and all the information is online.; thanked former Park and Rec Commissioners Crystal Deckman and Anika Blair for all their work when they were there; reported some issues that she is working on resolving and has provided recommendations; stated that she made a post that went viral on Facebook that reached over 11,000 people and felt it meant the courts will be utilized and revenue would be generated; addressed a letter sent in by Dallas Poffenroth regarding dedicating certain courts to particular levels of play and stated that with only four courts it would be difficult to do that and Dallas Poffenroth recommended that the courts be left as is and everybody plays but that it may be open for discussion.

More discussion followed regarding possibly holding pickleball tournaments.

Commissioner Galassi announced there would be a ribbon cutting on March 18, 2026.

Commissioner Yousufzai asked if anyone has seen other cities dedicate specific courts based on skill level and stated he has never heard of municipalities doing that;

commented that he was surprised someone would ask that.

Commissioner Galassi replied that she is not surprised and said she has had conversations with others about challenge courts, the ability to play two games before giving up the court, and other situations; noted that it is an access issue and with only four courts it limits their ability to offer that.

Commissioner Yousufzai stated that he is against dedicated courts with just four courts; felt after all the work that has been put into the facility to limit a quarter of it limits it to some; spoke of basketball courts not limiting who gets to play.

Commissioner Galassi stated it is based on the facility, and it's based on the culture at that facility; went into further explanation of what happens at facilities and hoped that they don't establish a culture that discourages new players; stressed that access to the Alta Vista courts is for everybody.

Preservation Outreach Subcommittee: Commissioner Galassi stated they had to cancel their last meeting; announced that they have an upcoming event for landmark designated homeowners possibly at the Historic Library and are holding a spot for a pop-up tent at the Riviera Summer Festival and are trying to organize a banner and materials for both preservation and historical museums.

Commissioner Rowe noted that due to travel they have been limited on times to meet.

Chair Maroko noted they have a mandate from Council so they should take advantage of that.

Recognition Preservation Subcommittee: Chair Maroko reported that the brick inlay idea he explored had too high of a cost so he had done some research for lower cost temporary alternatives as they raise funds to actually do the inlay; reported that attached to their materials were two versions of lower cost processes: 1) a tile that is glued to the ground or 2) paint the sidewalk and provided an example of the "no dumping" painted on sidewalks; suggested with the bricks they would start with the historic districts since more people gravitate towards them; stated he is going to meet with outside people to see what their thoughts are in regards to his three methodologies.

Commissioner Galassi commented that they are not sure about pricing yet.

Chair Maroko stated they did get an estimate from the City on the bricks and that the major cost is having two people doing it; spoke about the labor to have the painting option done and that the benefit of the tiles would be it wouldn't take too long to dry and would last longer.

Commissioner Galassi mentioned that she has seen both the paint and tile options in her neighborhood and that her preference would be the tile.

Chair Maroko commented that he is hoping the bricks will eventually get into all 150 properties and spoke about having maps put together of where all the historic properties

are.

Budget Subcommittee: It was noted that the budget was already discussed. Commissioner Yousufzai thanked Library Director Vinke for his assistance in putting together a document for Council.

Chair Maroko invited public comments.

Liaison McNeely reported no one online.

M. ITEMS FROM STAFF - None

N. COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA TOPICS

Chair Maroko thanked Becca McNeely for all her work since it was her last meeting.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Maroko announced the next meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission will be a Regular Meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. on April 8, 2026, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers, at 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach; asked if there was a deadline for the people that need to renew for their term on the Commission.

Library Director Vinke responded that he would speak to the City Clerk and get back to him.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Yousufzai, to adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

Chair Maroko asked if there was any public comment.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioners Caldwell and Lang were absent.

All written comments submitted via eComment are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Respectfully submitted:

Dana Vinke
Library Director



Administrative Report

F.3., File # PA26-0435

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

To: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

From: DANA VINKE, PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

April Library Events

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS @ MAIN LIBRARY

Music Together Monday

Monday, 4/6 at 11:30am-Noon - Meeting Room Floor 2

Rainbow Storytime

Tuesday, 4/7 at 11:30am-Noon - Storytime Room

Author Storytime with G.D. Griffiths "Olly's Journey"

Wednesday, 4/15 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Author Storytime with Brenda Sorensen

Wednesday, 4/22 at Noon- 12:30pm

Special Arbor Day Storytime

Friday, 4/24 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Author Storytime on Zoom with Kristin Blakely

Tuesday, 4/28 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Family Movie @ North Branch Library

"Zootopia 2" on April 14 at 3:00pm -5:00pm

STORYTIMES & SPECIAL PROGRAMS @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Family Storytime for ages 2-6 - Tuesday, 4/7
at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Music and Movement with Dance 1 - Wednesday, 4/8
at 3:30pm-4:00pm

Bilingual Storytime with NIHAO Chinese School -
Monday, 4/20 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Block Party - Tuesday, 4/21 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Choice Time - Thursday, 4/30 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION - Zoom program

A Redondo Beach Librarian will lead the discussion.

Tuesday, April 14 at 6:30pm - 7:30pm

The Plastic Ocean by Charles Moore

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.

STITCH & SEW REDONDO @NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Saturday, April 4 - 11:00am - 2:00pm

Sew, practice or work on a project with fellow sewing enthusiasts. Sewing machines and other materials are not provided. Participants are encouraged to bring items or projects that they are working on to get tips or pointers. Feel free to bring items that could be upcycled or traded.

WE LOVE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Check out materials between April 20-25 for a chance to win a gift card. This years theme is "Find Your Joy".

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

SOUTH WEST MANUSCRIPTERS WRITERS GROUP

Saturday, April 4 at 10:30am - Noon

Main Library - 2nd Floor Conference Room

A support group for writers to help them network and exchange information.

POETRY WORKSHOP

Saturday, April 11 at 10:30am - Noon

Main Library - 2nd Floor Conference Room

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

CHILDREN'S CRAFT & LEGO PROGRAMS

Craft @ MAIN LIBRARY

Meeting Room - 2nd Floor

Tuesday, 4/7 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

Lego Club @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Meeting Room

Thursday, 4/9 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Lego Club @ MAIN LIBRARY

Meeting Room - 2nd Floor

Monday, 4/13 & 4/20 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Craft @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Meeting Room

Thursday, 4/16 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Block Party @ Main Library

Thursday, 4/23 at 11:15am-11:45am

CONTEMPORARY AGING

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW

Thursday, April 30 at 11:30am - 12:30pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

The Universe of Aging Coalition addresses important things about aging that you need to know.

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

Saturday, April 25 at 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Registration is recommended. Register 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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April Library Events

FOOD AND FICTION

MEET CHRISTINE MA-KELLAMS AND ROSA KWON EASTON

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 AT 11:00AM-NOON

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

Christine Ma-Kellams, author of *The Band*, and Rosa Kwon Easton, author of *White Mulberry* will talk about their novels and how they use food in the stories to reveal character and culture.

Copies of the books will be available for sale.

ONE BOOK, ONE COAST

Join the Largest Book Club on the West Coast!

"One Book, One Coast" is a collaborative program uniting library systems across California, Oregon and Washington bringing readers together around one book. This year's selection, *They Called Us Enemy*, by George Takei, is a graphic memoir about family, identity and resilience.

The Redondo Beach Public Library will provide physical and electronic copies of the book, host themed displays, and events from through May 2026.

The program will culminate with a special author talk featuring George Takei which will be held in-person at the East Los Angeles Library and broadcast live on YouTube.

Please visit our website for more details.

WOMEN IN STEM CAREERS

The American Association of University Women and the Tech Trek Alumnae Group present a STEM Career Forum for middle school and high school students who want to learn about science, technology, engineering and math related careers. Girls, boys and parents are all welcome.

Saturday, April 11 at 1:30pm-3:30pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

SHELF CARE BOOK CLUB @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Monday, April 27 at 11:15am - 12:15pm

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon

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.*

STORYTIMES - MAIN LIBRARY - Storytime Room

Walkers & Talkers Storytime for 1-5 year-olds

Wednesdays, 4/1 & 4/8 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, 4/2 & 4/9 at 11:15am-11:45am

We welcome babies 0-18 months and their caregivers to join us for a fun storytime full of songs, rhymes, and finger plays!

TEEN PROGRAMS - Grades 6th - 12th

TAC Meeting - @ Main Library

Wednesday, 4/1 at 4:00pm-5:00pm

Teen Program @ Main Library

Generic vs Name Brand Food Showdown

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

Teen Program @ North Branch Library

Generic vs Name Brand Food Showdown

Thursday, 4/23 at 4:00pm-5:00pm

Monthly Movie Friday @ Main Library

"Zootopia" - Friday, April 3 at 3:00pm-5:00pm

Storytime Room

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

Saturday, April 18 at 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

Enjoy poetry LIVE at the library with celebrated poet, writer, storyteller and performance artist Bill Ratner. Bill's narrated on The Smithsonian Channel and is heard on TV, radio, movie trailers and online. He has published books of poetry, and on parenting.

Tom Bauer's Poetry Workshop participants will also read some original poetry.

If you like poetry, don't miss our annual National Poetry Month event.

CHECK-MATES CHESS MEET-UP @ MAIN LIBRARY

APRIL 25 AT 2:00PM - 3:30PM

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

MULTIGENERATIONAL CHESS PROGRAM

Adults and teens and children ages 8 and up are all welcome to share a game of chess. Chess sets will be provided, or you can bring your own chess set.

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Library Director's Report – April 2026

The Library Director continued holding regular meetings with Library Managers to address library-related matters and ensure clear communication between departments.

Library App update

The Library app will require an update as of April 15, 2026. The update will provide improved functionality, catalog access, and user interface.

Facilities

Maintenance

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

Redondo Beach Homeless Housing Office

The Redondo Beach Homeless Housing staff now have office space at the Main Library.

Displays

Library staff curated the following themed book displays: National Poetry month, Earth Day, and One Book, One Coast (OBOC).

Programs

National Library Week Celebration - April 20-25, 2026

The 2026 theme is "Find Your Joy". All are welcome to attend the Mayor's Proclamation of April 19-25, 2026 as National Library Week in Redondo Beach on Tuesday, Apr 14, 2026 at 6:00pm.

One Book, One Coast (OBOC) – April 1 through May 31, 2026

The Library is partnering with OBOC. This year's featured selection is George Takei's moving graphic memoir, *They Called Us Enemy*. A program flyer is attached.

National Poetry Month - Saturday, April 18, 1:00pm

Enjoy poetry LIVE at the library with celebrated poet, writer, storyteller and performance artist Bill Ratner.

Special Arbor Day Storytime – Friday, April 24, 3:30pm

Join the Library for a special storytime in celebration of Arbor Day.

Women in STEM Careers - Saturday, April 11, 1:30pm

Middle and high school students and parents are invited to explore STEM career paths through the insights of women working in the field. All are welcome.

Summer Reading

Summer Reading is almost here! Youth Services continues to coordinate and schedule this year's programs, incentives, and reading logs. The Summer Reading Kick Off/Juneteenth celebration is scheduled for Saturday, June 13, from 12pm-3pm.

Outreach

Library staff participated in the following outreach opportunities: Redondo Union High School Job Fair, Redondo Beach Police Department Safety Open House, ThriveFest at Adams Middle School, Summer Camp Fair at Alta Vista Community Center, and Eggstravaganza at Franklin Park.

Open+

The Library continues to offer and promote Express Hours with regular signups. A usage report has been added to the Directors report. We now have over 80 registered users.

PROGRAMS/PARTICIPANTS

2025-26	JULY		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER	
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH
ADULT PROGRAMS	6	2	6	2	9	3	8	2	5	2	5	0
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	166	21	55	26	166	35	116	35	139	20	125	0
TEEN PROGRAMS	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	3	1	2	1
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	11	17	35	2	23	21	31	20	44	10	23	12
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	23	13	16	11	19	9	18	9	15	8	15	9
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	609	439	609	534	466	214	707	201	397	211	524	240
OFFSITE	6	0	5	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	505	0	1845	0	365	0	500	0	0	0	750	0
TOTAL PROGRAMS	30	16	28	14	35	14	29	12	23	11	23	10
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	875	477	2544	562	1020	270	854	256	580	241	1,422	252

	JANUARY		FEBRUARY		MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		TOTAL
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	
ADULT PROGRAMS	6	2	7	2	7	2							76
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	137	20	170	18	184	18							1,451
TEEN PROGRAMS	3	1	4	2	2	1							31
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	42	20	33	28	12	5							389
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	16	8	18	10	17	10							244
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	449	156	602	220	546	172							7,296
OFFSITE	0	0	0	0	5	0							23
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	0	0	0		810	0							4,775
TOTAL PROGRAMS	25	11	29	14	31	13							368
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	628	196	805	266	1,552	195							12,995

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
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	139		87		154		82		15	123	0	15	0
TEEN PROGRAMS	4	1	2	1	10	2	4	1	2	1	2	1	
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	79	5	27	3	113	28	28	0	13	0	13	5	
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	19	10	18	11	16	12	20	10	15	11	34	13	
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	657	250	466	342	253	226	802	214	126	156	368	118	
OFFSITE	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	0	0	1200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500	0	
TOTAL PROGRAMS	30	11	26	12	35	14	32	13	25	12	39	14	
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	875	255	1780	345	520	254	927	229	262	156	896	123	

	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	8	3	7	1	99
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	65	6	111	48	268	19	359	126	164	32	151	9	1,973
TEEN PROGRAMS	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	5	1	3	2	53
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	30	5	20	6	11	0	24	18	74	6	18	35	561
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	14	9	14	8	14	9	13	8	17	10	11	7	323
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	349	248	422	212	314	243	318	229	544	224	1996	198	9,275
OFFSITE	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	11
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	0	0	0	0	150	0	250	0	1440	0	0	0	3540
TOTAL PROGRAMS	21	11	25	12	26	12	27	12	34	14	21	10	488
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	444	259	553	266	743	262	951	373	2222	262	2165	242	15,364

Digital Circulation 2025-2026 and 2024-2025

2025-26	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Overdrive/Libby	2,917	2,908	2,771	3,002	2,677	2,804	3,058	2,843	3,228				26,208
Ebooks	870	834	729	742	712	678	821	708	718				6,812
Eaudiobooks	904	859	861	874	801	852	925	834	964				7,874
Magazines	1,143	1,215	1,180	1,384	1,163	1,273	1,311	1,301	1,544				11,514
Other/Video	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	0	2				8
Hoopla	2,772	2,820	2,655	2,640	2,526	2,487	2,823	2,448	2,568				23,739
Ebooks	1,119	1,099	1,030	1,026	996	988	1,182	982	1,013				9,435
Eaudiobooks	988	1,026	934	972	816	899	1,014	894	897				8,440
Bingepass	46	54	48	46	41	52	63	54	43				447
Comics	227	263	289	254	279	233	264	228	287				2,324
Movies	199	183	188	161	202	173	142	154	180				1,582
Music	80	79	74	93	74	82	52	45	71				650
Television	113	116	92	88	118	60	106	91	77				861
Kanopy	699	736	533	739	955	662	862	774	745				6,705

Total **56,652**

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	2,643	2,734	2,762	30,180
Ebooks	623	960	898	891	824	927	969	804	859	785	809	821	10,170
Eaudiobooks	455	729	726	762	726	747	891	778	764	744	733	770	8,825
Magazines	606	899	730	836	870	861	917	926	1,045	1,114	1,191	1,171	11,166
Other/Video	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	3	4	0	1	0	19
Hoopla	2,996	2,898	2,658	2,614	2,656	2,533	2,832	2,694	2,977	2,703	2,700	2,749	33,010
Ebooks	964	1,135	1,088	1,083	1,044	1,009	1,172	1,055	1,186	1,034	1,030	1,046	12,846
Eaudiobooks	1,484	1,286	1,017	997	1,029	986	1,090	1,042	1,136	1,023	1,037	1,018	13,145
Bingepass	18	18	18	22	27	25	31	39	46	46	49	36	375
Comics	213	171	176	211	234	190	234	217	280	229	224	275	2,654
Movies	167	136	189	160	160	168	152	177	152	193	187	183	2,024
Music	63	72	79	54	92	80	70	68	89	91	62	75	895
Television	87	80	91	87	70	75	83	96	88	87	111	116	1,071
Kanopy	756	701	775	774	851	841	1046	671	783	738	586	692	9,214

Total **72,404**

2025-2026 North Branch Express Hours statistics		
	Patron Logins	Active Users (Patron Only)
July	n/a	n/a
August	42	n/a
September	74	n/a
October	46	n/a
November	47	48
December	52	48
January	71	62
February	61	71
March	75	87
April		
May		
June		
YTD	468	



ARBOR DAY

STORYTIME

FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH

3:30 - 4:00 PM

MAIN LIBRARY, STORYTIME ROOM

Join the Citizens for Trees, an initiative of the South Bay Parkland Conservancy for a special storytime in celebrating Arbor Day.

About me:

For 20 years, Laura MacMorran has resided in Redondo Beach. Her children were raised in Redondo Beach. She works as an urban planner, and a few years ago, helped pass the Redondo Beach current Tree Ordinance. She co-founded Citizens for South Bay Trees, which is an initiative of the South Bay Parkland Conservancy.

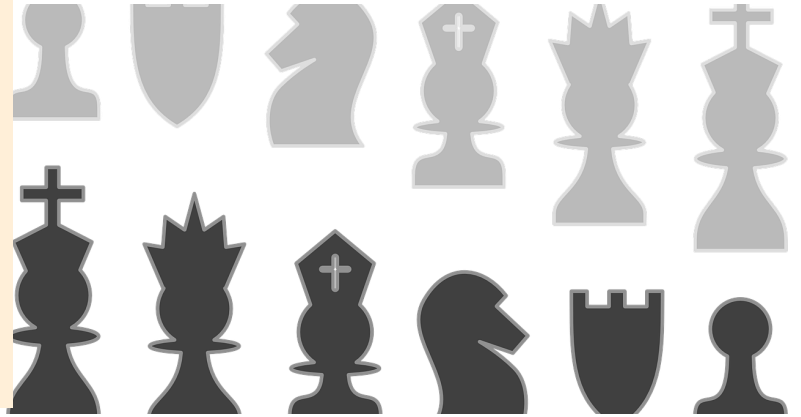
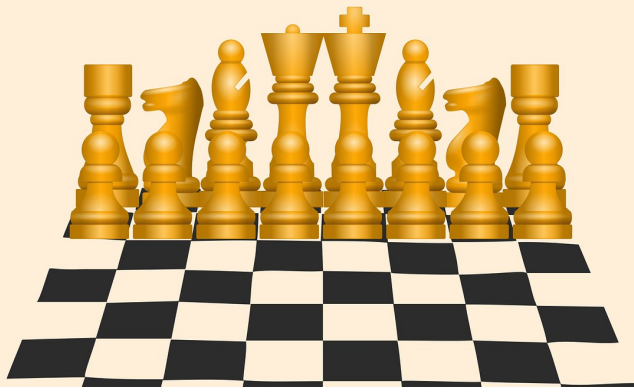


About Citizens for South Bay Trees:

Citizens for South Bay Trees is a community-driven initiative to protect, grow, and sustain healthy urban forests in the neighborhoods we call home. We advocate for equitable tree canopy coverage, thoughtful replanting, and long-term stewardship of trees. Through education, policy and grassroots action, we aim to ensure that every neighborhood enjoys the benefits of shade, biodiversity, and beauty for generations to come.

CHECK-MATES

Multigenerational Chess Meet-Ups



Adult and junior players pair up to share the game of chess.
Chess players age 8 and up are welcome.
Chess sets will be provided, or you can bring your own chess set.

Saturdays – 2:00pm – 3:30pm

February 7

and

April 25

Main Library

2nd Floor Meeting Room

Redondo Beach Public Library
303 N. Pacific Coast Highway
Redondo Beach, CA 90277
WWW.REDONDO.ORG/LIBRARY

Free and open to the public.
Learn more at the Information desk or call
(310) 318-0675, option 3.

This program is generously funded by the
Friends of the Redondo Beach Library

Food and Fiction

Local Author Talk

Meet Christine Ma-Kellams and Rosa Kwon Easton

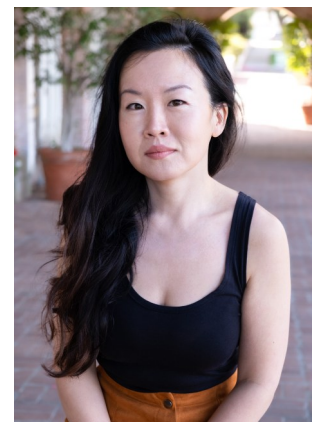
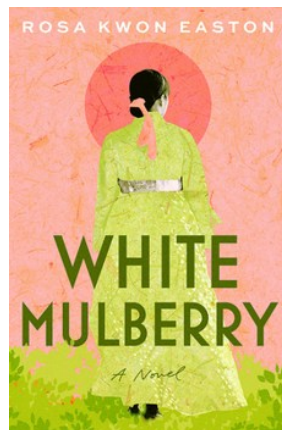
Saturday, April 4, 2026

11:00am-Noon

Redondo Beach Main Library

303 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach

Meeting Room - 2nd Floor



Food in fiction operates as a symbolic and emotional language that reveals character, explores culture and can even drive the plot. Two local authors will discuss their novels and how food can serve as an emotional turning point and facilitate character connection.

Christine Ma-Kellams, author of *The Band* is a psychologist and college professor. Her darkly funny novel is about a troubled K-pop idol who disappears after finding himself at the center of controversy, the discontented Chinese American woman who rescues him and the price of manufactured fame.

Rosa Kwon Easton, author of *White Mulberry* is a lawyer and library trustee. Her rich, deeply researched novel tells the story of a young Korean woman in 1930's Japan who is caught between two worlds and must reclaim her true identity to provide a future for her family. The story is inspired by the author's own grandmother's life.

The authors will provide tasting samples of some of the food described in their novels.



Celebrate National Poetry Month

Celebrated poet, Bill Ratner is our special guest.



<https://billratner.com/>

Bill Ratner is one of America's best known voice actors, a published writer, poet, storyteller, and performance artist. You might recognize his voice as "Flint" from TV cartoons and video games like *G.I. Joe*, "Donnel Udina" in *Mass Effect 1, 2 & 3*, *Grand Theft Auto*, *Final Fantasy*, *Robot Chicken*, *Family Guy*, *Baldur's Gate* and *King's Quest*. He's narrated 22 seasons of *Air Disasters* on The Smithsonian Channel, and is heard around the globe on TV, radio, movie trailers, and more.

Bill has three books of poems published by poetry presses: *Slow Lightning Lit*, *Finishing Line Press*, and *Alien Buddha Press*, dozens of poems and stories in literary journals, and the non-fiction book *Parenting for the Digital Age: Media's Effect on Children and What to Do About It* from Familius Books.

Poetry - "Live at the Library with Bill Ratner"

Saturday, April 18, 2026 - 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

Redondo Beach Main Library
303 N. Pacific Coast Highway
Redondo Beach, CA 90277
(310) 318-0675
www.redondo.org/library

Tom Bauer's poetry workshop participants and friends will read from their work.

If you want to read, contact Tom Bauer to sign up:
tomabauer@gmail.com
Limited to one poem or 3 minutes.



Women in STEM Careers

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) and the Tech Trek Alumnae Group (TTAG) present a STEM Career Forum

Saturday, April 11 at 1:30pm - 3:30pm
Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

The program is for middle school and high school students who want to learn about science, technology, engineering and math related careers from women working in those fields. Girls, boys and parents are all welcome.

There will be a Q/A session after each speaker.

Featured speakers include:

Industrial Engineer
Aerospace Engineer
Energy Consultant
Sports Medicine & Rehabilitation Physician

For more information:
Email: ttagaauw@gmail.com

or go to:
techtrek@aauw-ca.org





Administrative Report

F.4., File # PA26-0441

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

To: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

From: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATES FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RELATED TO HISTORICAL & PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

BACKGROUND

Parks and Recreation

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

Spring Classes, Camps, & Activities and Summer Camps

Registration for spring classes & camps as well as summer camps began on Monday, February 23 for residents and Monday, March 2 for non-residents. Additional information can be found at the following link:

https://www.redondo.org/departments/community_services/classes_and_activities/index.php

Wilderness Pond Lower Pond Restoration Project

A ribbon cutting event was held on Thursday, March 19. It was an amazing event that celebrated the collaborative work between the city and the South Bay Parkland Conservancy in reopening the lower pond. The restored area is open to any visitors to the park, so we welcome all to come and visit!

Upcoming Events & Activities

- **Story Time in the Park** - this monthly event will be held on Sunday, April 12 from 1:00 to 1:45pm at Wilderness Park near Pine Camp.
- **Earth Day 2026** - the annual Earth Day event, presented by the South Bay Parkland Conservancy, will be held at Wilderness Park on Saturday, April 18 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. This event is free, open to all ages, and will include educational seminars, nature walks, activities & crafts, music, food, and presentations by local environmental groups.

The following information is provided as updates following recent inquiries from the Commission regarding recreation and park-related projects and initiatives:

Alta Vista Pickleball Tennis & Pickleball Courts Project

A ribbon cutting event for the city's first dedicated pickleball courts was held on Wednesday, March 18. Community members, staff from multiple departments, and pickleball enthusiasts enjoyed the ceremonial event, which concluded with friendly games of pickleball.

Historical Museum

Historical Museum information will be provided as a Blue Folder item prior to the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

None



Administrative Report

H.1., **File #** PA26-0434

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TITLE

For eComments and Emails Received from the Public



Administrative Report

L.1., File # PA26-0437

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

FROM: DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 26-27 BUDGET INPUT TO THE CITY MANAGER



Administrative Report

L.2., File # PA26-0438

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

FROM: DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE PRESENTATION OUTLINING REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY ADULT PROGRAMMING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Library plans a series of presentations that provide the Public Amenities Commission with an overview of each Library Department. In this presentation, Amy Feller, Adult Programming Librarian, provides an overview of adult programming at the Library.



Administrative Report

L.3., File # PA26-0440

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION

FROM: DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RESEARCH OF THE HISTORY OF THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY IN REDONDO BEACH



Administrative Report

L.4., File # PA26-0436

Meeting Date: 4/8/2026

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 committees 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 Yousufzai, McCauley and Lang

Volunteer Acknowledgement Program Subcommittee

Commissioners Rowe, Yousufzai, and Caldwell

Bringing History to the Community Subcommittee

Chair Maroko, Commissioners Lang and McCauley

Franklin Park Playground Subcommittee

Commissioners Lang, Caldwell, and Galassi

Alta Vista Park - Pickleball Subcommittee

Commissioner Galassi

Preservation Outreach Subcommittee
Commissioners Caldwell, Rowe, and Galassi

Recognition (Preservation) Subcommittee
Chair Maroko

Budget Subcommittee
Commissioners Lang and Yousufzai

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