

**CITY OF REDONDO BEACH
PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION AGENDA
Wednesday, November 12, 2025**

415 DIAMOND STREET, REDONDO BEACH

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

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

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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 NOVEMBER 12, 2025](#)**
- F.2. [APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 13 AND OCTOBER 8, 2025](#)**
- 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](#)**
CONTACT: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR
- F.5. [RECEIVE AND FILE AMENDED ORDINANCES UPDATING SECTIONS OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS](#)**

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. RECEIVE AND FILE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE FRANKLIN PARK PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT PROJECT

PROVIDE INPUT FOR THE CITY COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION REGARDING THE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE PROPOSED FRANKLIN PARK PLAYGROUND

CONTACT: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

L.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION'S CURRENT AND PROPOSED COMMITTEES.

L.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STRATEGIES FOR PROMOTING HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON THE BENEFITS OF OWNING A LANDMARK PROPERTY AND APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO ASSIST WITH OUTREACH EFFORTS.

L.4. 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 December 10, 2025, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers, at 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach.

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Administrative Report

E.1., File # PA25-1557

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TITLE

For Blue Folder Documents



Administrative Report

F.1., File # PA25-1558

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TITLE

APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES
COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2025

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

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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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	November 12, 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.



Dana Vinke, Library Director

Date: November 7, 2025



Administrative Report

F.2., File # PA25-1559

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TITLE

APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 13 AND OCTOBER 8, 2025



Minutes
Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission
Wednesday, August 13, 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 6:30 p.m. by Chair Yousufzai in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Edward (E.J.) Caldwell, Desiree M. Galassi, Mara Lang, Ron Maroko, Christopher McCauley, Jeffrey E. Rowe, Chair Masood K. Yousufzai

Officials Present: Dana Vinke, Library Director
Marc Wiener, Director of Community Development
Steven Giang, Senior Planner
Becca McNeely, Library Program Coordinator

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chair Yousufzai led in the Salute to the Flag.

D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

Commissioner Maroko requested moving Item No. L.1 to after Item No. E.1.

Discussion followed regarding moving both Items No. L.1 and L.2 prior to Item No. J.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Commissioner Galassi and approved by voice vote, the order of the agenda, as amended, to move Items No. L.1 after Item No. E.1 and L.2 prior to Item No. H.

The motion carried 7-0.

E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

E.1 For Blue Folder Documents

Library Director Vinke reported four Blue Folder Items which were included in the folder and emailed.

It was noted that the Blue Folder Items all pertain to Item No. J.2.

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

The motion carried 7-0.

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. L.1.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

F.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2025

F.2. APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF JULY 9, 2025

F.3. RECEIVE AND FILE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT UPDATES RELATED TO HISTORICAL & PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

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

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner McCauley and approved by voice vote, to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented.

The motion carried 7-0.

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - None

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. L.2.

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 Lang and one of the property owners.

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. J.2.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS

J.1. A PUBLIC HEARING CONSIDERING A CEQA EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS application FOR THE demolition of a POTENTIALLY HISTORIC single-family residential structure, AND SEPARATE CONSIDERATION OF REMOVAL FROM THE POTENTIAL HISTORIC RESOURCES LIST AT 1811 Clark lane, pursuant to Chapter 4, Title 10 of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code.

**APPLICANT: Ronald Carl Seydel
ADDRESS: 1811 Clark Lane
APPLICATION NO: 2025-0091**

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 to remove the property from the Potential Historic Resources List subject to the findings and conditions contained therein, but if denied; then**
- 5. Adopt a resolution by title only approving the Certificate of Appropriateness for the demolition of the residence at 1811 Clark Lane.**

A. A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE REMOVAL OF A PROPERTY AT 1811 CLARK LANE FROM THE POTENTIALLY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A CEQA EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS THE demolition of a POTENTIALLY HISTORIC single-family residential structure AT 1811 Clark lane, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

Commissioner Maroko approved motion to open public hearing.
The motion carried 7-0.

Senior Planner Steven Giang narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the Administrative Report.

Discussion followed regarding including third party content in staff reports and staff's reliance on reports from third-party consultants and typically summarizing professional reports, subjectivity and objectivity of reports, the need to consider the source of the information and the possibility of obtaining skewed information, industry standards and city requirements.

Director of Community Development Wiener explained the process for hiring third-party consultants; noted staff will question anything that seems out of place and mentioned that in this case, there is nothing out of place that would make staff question why the property should be historic and spoke about needing to possess high artistic value, represent the work of an important creative individual as well as other standards.

Discussion followed regarding federal, state and city criteria, standards for voluntary listing, the criteria for mandating listing and evaluations based on state criteria.

Commissioner Maroko offered his services to do research on the history of properties; mentioned there are two properties on the property; spoke about availability of a list of prior occupants and talked about staff including more information in future reports regarding why properties may be important in relation to people. He pointed out this is an A-rated property and questioned why it needs to be destroyed.

Director of Community Development Wiener explained it is based on the professional reports and on information in the historic context statement.

Commissioner Maroko referenced a 1905 property that was historical; reported someone did not do their due diligence and the property ended up demolished and expressed concerns about destroying a structure that does not consider the historical significance, thoroughly.

Director of Community Development Wiener agreed the topic needs a broader discussion and reiterated that City Council will review it in an upcoming meeting and suggested reviewing the application based on its merits and not whether the topic will come before Council as it is planned to be on the agenda during strategic planning discussions. He added that the City Attorney's office is reviewing the list and where it stands and hoped that within the next year, staff will have clear policy direction and return to the Commission with additional information.

Discussion followed regarding use of a historical inquiry form created in 2019.

Chair Yousufzai invited public comments.

Ron Seydel, trustee of the Seydel Family Trust, stated he feels defeated as it sounds like there is no process in place for a smooth, streamlined settlement; reported his situation is identical to the prior applicant's; claimed there are no permits related to the work done in 2000; talked about changes in code requirements and permits over the years and noted that based on age, the house could be historical but based on quality

and usability, the house is ready to fall down. Additionally, he reported hiring an expensive consultant to research the history of the house and following all of the instructions provided by the City and reiterated concerns about the lack of a process.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Chair Yousufzai and approved by voice vote, to extend Ron Seydel's time for speaking by 1 minute.

The motion carried 7-0.

Ron Seydel continued noting that the house is old and not of much value as it exists.

Commissioner Lang spoke about the importance of the PAC to do its due diligence and talked about determining whether there is a path forward to preserve what it can.

Discussion followed regarding incentives offered by the Mills Act.

There were no other public comments.

Motion to close the public hearing was made by Chair Yousufzai and seconded by Commissioner Maroko.

The motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Caldwell spoke about the importance of preservation in the City; felt the City does not have the needed resources or dedicated resources to prioritize preservation; stated he would expect the word to spread and alleged there will be many people coming to the City with similar requests. He reiterated the City should do public outreach to let residents know they are on the list and address the limitations and provide residents with the opportunity to take advantage of tax incentives.

Commissioner Maroko commented on the grade of the property adding that he has never seen an A grade property be demolished.

In reply to questions from Commissioner Lang, Ron Seydel reported that his plan is to sell the property to a developer.

Commissioner Rowe indicated he is in favor of removing the historical designation of the home.

Commissioner Galassi agreed with removing the house from the historic resource designation and did not feel comfortable with demolishing it.

Motion by Chair Yousufzai and approved by roll call vote, to adopt a resolution by title as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE REMOVAL OF A PROPERTY AT 1811 CLARK LANE FROM THE POTENTIALLY HISTORIC

RESOURCES INVENTORY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

The motion carried, 7-0, as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Caldwell, Galassi, Lang, Maroko, McCauley, Rowe,
Chair Yousufzai
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. K.

J.2. A PUBLIC HEARING CONSIDERING A CEQA EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION FOR THE DEMOLITION OF A POTENTIALLY HISTORIC SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE, AND SEPARATE CONSIDERATION OF REMOVAL FROM THE POTENTIAL HISTORIC RESOURCES LIST AT 1224 HARPER AVENUE, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

APPLICANT: Mickel Khayat
ADDRESS: 1224 Harper Avenue
APPLICATION NO: 2025-0255

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 to remove the property from the Potential Historic Resources List subject to the findings and conditions contained therein, but if denied; then**
- 5. Adopt a resolution by title only approving the Certificate of Appropriateness for the demolition of the residence at 1224 Harper Avenue.**

A. A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE REMOVAL OF A PROPERTY AT 1224 HARPER AVENUE FROM THE POTENTIALLY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A CEQA EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

THE demolition of a POTENTIALLY HISTORIC single-family residential structure AT 1224 Harper avenue, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

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

The motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Lang left the chambers.

Senior Planner Steven Giang, narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the Administrative Report including the recommended resolutions and actions required.

Commissioner Lang returned to the chambers.

Discussion followed regarding ownership of the property.

Carrie Chasteen, Chronicle Heritage, reported that the Drake Family owns the property, which is up for sale and Mickel Khayat (applicant) is the buyer. She added that the person living in Canoga Park is the trustee of the estate who has the authority to sign the affidavit.

Commissioner Galassi requested clarification regarding the two resolutions and Senior Planner Steven Giang reported that the applicant may still request a demolition, even if it is on the list and the Commission is considering a second action, based on the criteria presented, to demolish the structure.

Director of Community Development Wiener talked about the code providing two separate processes, one for the removal from the potentially historic list (separate from demolition) and the other the demolition. He added that both resolutions are discretionary, and the Commission is not required to approve the second resolution if it does not approve the first resolution.

Commissioner Caldwell spoke about the two alternatives requested by the applicant, specific criteria related to making the required findings for each, the Commission's ability to deny both resolutions, impacts of merging the various Commissions in terms of Members having different areas of expertise, the Commission's desire and need for knowledge and the importance of the decisions being made.

Discussion followed regarding a history of the house, when it was surveyed, when it was placed on the list and when alterations were made.

Chair Yousufzai invited public comments.

Carrie Chasteen, Chronicle Heritage, Senior Architectural Historian, reported she is

being paid, and her role is to be an objective, third-party peer reviewer; noted the permits for the alterations were issued in 2000; spoke about the alterations and felt the entirety of the building has been severely compromised and no longer reflects the early history of Redondo Beach. She addressed association with significant events and offered to respond to questions from the PAC.

Discussion followed regarding permits for the front porch, whether the City's Preservation Commission review the project prior to the alterations being made, staff's ability to review alterations administratively, the scarcity of available public records in compiling ownership history and research sources reviewed.

Commissioner Maroko reported this is the number 4 oldest building in Redondo Beach and is over 100 years old; announced the person who owned the home prior to the Drake Family was Ellen Miller, a long-time resident of the area and provided a history of her family; noted this is all public information that could be gleaned from newspapers and census reports; opined the report is incomplete and listed his concerns and continued providing a history of the home and its prior owners. He expressed concerns that there has not been enough effort to figure out the significance of the persons prior to the annexation of the property into Redondo Beach in 1927/1928; spoke about the Miller Family having strong ties into Hermosa Beach; referenced Warren Miller and reiterated that the report does not explore historically significant people; felt this is a Hermosa Beach preservation issue as well and that the report is deficient.

Carrie Chasteen, Chronicle Heritage, Senior Architectural Historian, offered to add the history as part of the report but noted her evaluation will still declare the building has been substantially altered (2000) and does not convey an association to that important history any longer.

Discussion followed regarding a construction history for siding and window changes and the general scope of work in the permits for the changes made in 2000.

David Drake, Drake Family Trust, provided a history of his family's time of residence in the home; addressed alterations and listed problems with the house.

Motion by Commissioner Caldwell, seconded by Commissioner Maroko, to extend David Drake's time for public comment.

David Drake continued listing details of the alterations made over time; talked about the Commission's decision having a big impact to his family noting his he and his brothers need to sell the house for as much as possible and spoke about the great memories his family made living there.

David Drake responded to questions regarding his family's awareness of the survey, other houses in the neighborhood and the fireplace.

Commissioner Maroko spoke about the possibility of the owner donating the original

structure to the City and moving it to the third pad in Dominguez Park which was set up to have a historic home there and the costs could be shared by the City and the seller to be turned into a visual art center for the community.

David Drake stated he is open to a solution that is agreed to by all parties.

Chair Yousufzai pointed out that when extending a speaker's time, the motion should include a time specification and needs to be voted on.

Josh Mata, Real Estate Broker, spoke about the Drake Family; noted that the home is meaningful to them but has not been a true example of a historical home and asserted that historical designation was set in place by inaccurate information and was a possibly placed on the list by a drive-by designation without notification to the owner. He addressed alternations during the years, delayed maintenance and an unsafe, settling foundation, financial impacts to the remaining family and spoke in support of allowing the owners to remove the structure in preparation for sale of the property.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, to extend Josh Mata's time for public comment by 2 minutes.

Substitute motion by Chair Yousufzai, seconded by Commissioner Maroko, and approved by voice vote, to extend Josh Mata's time by 1 minute.

The motion carried 7-0.

Josh Mata urged the PAC to remove the historical designation for the benefit of the Family, the City and community.

Edward Moore, shared a statement about his friend and neighbor, Jack Drake, who passed away last January and owned the subject house; reported he was a grandfather for his children and voiced support for the Drake Family during this difficult time to pay homage to Jack and honor the memory of his kindness, generosity and sincerity. Additionally, he felt the historical designation of the property represents a potential overreach when other properties in the neighborhood can be completely torn down for new construction to be put in its place and hoped the PAC will exercise fairness and discernment in consideration of statements along with letters of support and signatures of neighbors and friends who have endorsed lifting the designation.

Motion by Chair Yousufzai, seconded by Commissioner Maroko, and approved by voice vote, to extend Edward Moore's time by 1 minute.

The motion carried 7-0.

Edward Moore read a letter into the record from neighbor Janet Reynolds in support of the Drake Family's request. He distributed copies of the letter for the Commission.

Commissioner Maroko expressed concern there will be no more historical homes in North Redondo and in response to his question about the possibility of having a historical home on the property, Edward Moore stated he deferred to the wishes of the family and the executor of the estate.

Christopher Drake clarified the border between Redondo Beach and Hermosa Beach; spoke about new developments in surrounding properties; mentioned when the Craftsman designation was applied to the house and in response to Commissioner Maroko's about moving the structure to another location, he did not believe the house provides anything historical to society or the community about the City's past nor is the endeavor worth the while.

Brief discussion followed regarding the timeline for demolition if permits are issued.

John Drake, via Zoom, referenced a letter he submitted in support of removing the house from historical designation and noted that in terms of financial considerations, this is something that is needed in order to secure the brothers' retirement in their old age.

Adam Cannella, via Zoom, godson of Jack Drake and trustee of the estate, spoke about his duty to fulfill his godfather's explicit wishes; confirmed that he was never informed that his property had a historic designation and that the designation currently in place does not align with his vision and intentions or his rights as the property's owner and asked that the Commission remove the historic designation so that he may fulfill his legal and moral responsibility to carry out Mr. Drake's will, as he intended.

Library Program Coordinator McNeely announced that 7 eComments were received in support of the demolition.

There were no other public comments on this item.

In reply to Commissioner Maroko's question, Library Director Vinke mentioned that eComments are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Commissioner Lang reported that in the past, the Commission would decide whether to have the eComments read aloud, or not.

Commissioner Galassi spoke about the difference between a property being a historic landmark and being on the list of potential historic resources and asserted this house has not been designated as a landmark.

There were no other public comments on this matter.

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

The motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Caldwell asserted that if the City wants to preserve the community, it has to make investments; felt it is appalling that the City is asking community members to make these decisions and yet is not willing to do an adequate survey and talked about the Preservation Commission asking, on numerous occasions, for a survey and attending City Council meetings to implore the City Council to invest in a survey. Additionally, he questioned whether the current house would meet the qualifications for its current status; mentioned specific alterations including the front balcony and windows that would have never been allowed on a historic property and voiced support for Resolution A.

Commissioner Maroko agreed this could have been resolved with a more recent survey and found it appalling that people on the survey have not been notified by the City that they are on the survey; hoped that staff will send notice to everyone on the survey; reiterated concerns about running out of historic homes in North Redondo; spoke about the possibility of donating the structure and mentioned this is a good project to bring up the need for a survey to Council.

Commissioner Lang spoke about the value of older homes; expressed disappointment with how the City is categorizing architecture in Redondo that was built over 100 years ago and labeling them in a way where they seem less valuable and noted she struggles with taking these homes off the historical resources list, mentioned bungalows that are not forced into one categorization and are still seen as valuable.

Commissioner Rowe indicated he is in favor of removing the historical designation; opined it would be incredibly costly to make the existing house, livable and felt the City should let the property owners do as they wish.

Commissioner Galassi expressed concerns about notification to all people on the list of homes with potential historic resources and felt the City should have a record of the notification; felt the City did not do its job when it allowed changes to occur without research; confirmed that three family homes will be built on the property if the demolition goes through; wondered how that will impact CEQA relative to parking, the neighborhood and the school district; mentioned the deficient report and thanked Commission Maroko for the added information and alleged that moving the house will take time and money. Additionally, she talked about clarification of what moving it and returning it to the original look entails; questioned whether the City would want to engage in such a project when so many architectural elements are missing; spoke about the Commission meeting its requirements and the need to make decisions without an emotional component.

Commissioner McCauley felt this case highlights issues that need to be resolved; suggested residents Google, "Redondo Beach Historical Survey List"; noted it was unfortunate for the property owner not to have been notified; affirmed that he takes staff's recommendation, seriously; imagined more and more people will make similar requests to have their property removed from the list and talked about avoiding what this family

has endured, in the future.

Commissioner Rowe mentioned the idea of moving the house would have been a great solution if it had been feasible and thanked Commissioner Maroko.

Chair Yousufzai agreed that an update of the potential historic resources list is overdue and in response to his inquiry, Director of Community Development Wiener reported this is an eligibility list that flags properties to warrant additional professional review; noted the list is updated as actions are taken, that City Council approved funds for an updated survey which will progress throughout the next year.

Discussion followed regarding making judgements based on the evidence provided in professional reports.

Chair Yousufzai spoke about notifying people that are on the list, updating it and voiced support for Resolution A and about relying on the City's recommendations.

Discussion followed regarding the firm performing the survey and the process to flag potential historic properties in the City.

Commissioner Maroko spoke about the Morrell House as an example of moving a historic structure and noted it can be done.

Discussion followed regarding moving and restoration costs, the possibility of exploring the option going forward, needing to have a better process in place, getting an estimate of all costs, investigating the Hermosa Beach interest in the property and the PAC's options for action at this time.

Commissioner Caldwell stated he does not know if the Commission has a say on this topic; listed options available to the City if it would like to pursue the project and those available to the property owner; claimed the PAC has no say in telling the property owner what to do with that structure and summarized the recommended actions.

Discussion followed regarding the appeal process and potential timeline.

Motion by Commissioner Caldwell, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, and approved by voice vote, to adopt a resolution by title as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA APPROVING THE REMOVAL OF A PROPERTY AT 1224 HARPER AVENUE FROM THE POTENTIALLY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 10 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE.

The motion carried 4-3-0. Commissioners Galassi, Lang and Maroko were opposed.

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. J.1.

K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS – None

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. L.3.

L. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

L.1. PRESENTATION OF VOLUNTEER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT CERTIFICATES TO CARL LEACH AND MATTHEW MCCAULEY

CONTACT: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

On behalf of the Commission, Chair Yousufzai presented a certificate in acknowledgement to Carl Leach and Matthew McCauley of their volunteer services to the community.

Chair Yousufzai returned to Item No. F.

L.2. STAFF PRESENTATION AND OVERVIEW OF THE CITY'S HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Item L.2 was moved before Item H.

Community Development Director Wiener introduced Associate Planner Sean O'Rourke and noted he will be the new liaison to the Commission going forward; reported he would be providing a PowerPoint presentation with an overview of the City's Historic Preservation Program; noted that there were a few new members to the Commission and wanted to make sure everyone was trained and could ask any questions they had; explained the Historic Preservation Program consists of three primary documents: 1) Historic Preservation Ordinance, which is in the Municipal Code, 2) Historic Context Statement, which is the guide to determining whether a property should be historic, and 3) Historic Preservation Plan, provides guidelines for making historic modifications to buildings; mentioned all three are posted on the City's website; provided a slide with the purpose for the Historical Preservation Plan Program and highlighted certain ones including: it's to safeguard the City's heritage and protect the City's landmarks, enhance the visual character of the City by preserving diverse architectural styles reflecting the past, and also taking reasonable and necessary steps to safeguard property rights of the owners; detailed the nomination process per the City's ordinance and noted that only the owner of the property could give consent and the structure must be 50 years old or older with a few exceptions; stated there is also a process for forming a Historic District, which also requires property owner consent; reported there are 154 properties currently landmarked, noted one reason owners place their property on the list is because they are seeking a Mills Act contract; stated there are criteria for listing as a landmark and those can be found in the municipal code; reported the City has a list of Potentially Historic Properties which are not designated by the owner but the City did a historic resources inventory in 1986 and 1996, and there are 1024 properties listed on it, 173 of them are rated A or B, the rest

are C, D, or no rating; stated this is significant because, pursuant to the municipal code if you want to demolish or alter a building that is potentially historic, it requires a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Commission; stated there is limited ability to impose historic requirements on these properties and provided the reasons:

- 1) There's a statute that says that inventory that the City has needs to be updated every five years for the purposes of CEQA to create a presumption that the property is historic
- 2) It does conflict with the requirements for owner consent in the City's municipal code, however, it does state that in order to demolish or make alterations it requires a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Community Development Director Wiener provided a slide regarding the Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) and the criteria required; commented that they are standards and subjective and jurisdictions will apply them differently; provided the Secretary of Interior's standards for rehabilitation, noted there are 10 of them and covered the ones he felt come up most often; noted it is really up to the Commission and the City to interpret the standards and how they are applied to the properties; provided more information on CEQA and provided the four criteria required by the State Register; recommendation by staff is for the Commission to receive and file the report.

Commissioner Lang stated she would like to have seen more on the process that the City goes through in receiving, seeing the applicants in the agenda, and reading the reports; felt staff do not always provide reports on the property.

Community Development Director Wiener stated that any project that comes before the Commission includes a staff report, and he is not aware of any instance where one was not provided; asked Commissioner Lang if she had anything specific in mind.

Commissioner Lang stated she was looking for the staff reports on both of the projects they are seeing that evening; noted she saw a recommendation and a report from the private firm but not one from staff.

Community Development Director Wiener explained where she could locate the report.

Commissioner Lang asked who the point person is that works on the applications.

Community Development Director Wiener reported that Sean O'Rourke would be the person taking on that role moving forward.

Commissioner Galassi stated she served on the Preservation Commission and noted that the staff representative, Stacy, provided reports to them in PowerPoint format and it was much clearer and more helpful.

Ron Maroko stated what led to tonight's request for a presentation was subjective decisions vs objective decisions and noted that Community Development Director Wiener stated the guidelines are subjective; felt the only objective decision is whether the property is eligible at 50 years or not and everything else is all really subjective and

the overlay is because the Mills Act takes away from city property taxes; mentioned there's a balance between having too many historic landmarks and not having enough; asked if he is missing anything on the subjective vs objective.

Community Development Director Wiener responded that the Mills act is an incentive to landmarking and doesn't think the City is trying to limit it or balance it out in relation to tax revenue impacts; felt Mr. Maroko is correct that when it comes to making modifications and listing a property that is subjective; stated he has seen dueling historical preservation reports that have completely different takes on a property; opined that it's all subjective but with the right guidance he hopes decision makers go down the right path.

Commissioner Maroko asked if Director Wiener views the Commissions role as proactive or reactive to what the City presents to them.

Community Development Director Wiener stated he would need to get back to the Commission on that since the duties and roles of Commissions were merged but stated that he knows their role is to review the applications for listing and delisting properties and for making modifications and demolitions on an individual project basis; stated, if they would like, he can look into the duties of the Commission in terms of providing policy input to the Council or being advocates.

Commissioner Maroko referenced slide 6 of Director Wiener's presentation regarding historic resources surveys must be updated every five years and asked, since theirs is over a quarter of a century old and the properties from the 1950s through the 1970s had the potential of being demolished without any input from the Commission, does he think the City's preservation statute and policies are being served.

Community Development Director Wiener responded that he thinks it is due for an update and noted that the Council has funded it; mentioned that the policy discussion and the survey is coming back to Council in the next few months and the Council is in the process of updating the City's General Plan land use element which has policy language on historic preservation; noted that staff is seeking policy direction from the Council since the language regarding the historically eligible list is vague and he wanted the Commission to know it would be addressed by the Council soon.

Commissioner Maroko voiced concern over a number homes from the 50s that are being demolished and there's no process that seems in place to bring it to the attention that they may be potential historic resources; reported he wrote to Sean Scully asking for information on the building and background but has not heard back; stated he is concerned that the 50s homes that are rated A or B are going to end up being demolished and asked what kind of safeguards could they get from the Community Development Department.

Community Development Director Wiener stated the code explicitly states the owner has to nominate the property and states an objective to protect property rights but, at

the same time, states objectives to preserve history; noted it is a voluntary program and CEQA would be the only other protection outside of the code.

Commissioner Maroko mentioned there was supposed to be a quarterly newsletter on preservation and efforts for preservation; asked how members of the public know they are on the Historic Resource Service Survey, and what effort is done by the Community Development Department to notify people that they might be eligible for landmark status.

Community Development Director Wiener noted that outreach in promoting the program is lacking at the moment, noted that the list is posted on the City's website for anyone to view, and that the ones that are on the Register were volunteered and the owner knows and it would be carried on to new ownership; stated the ones done in the 1996 survey may not know and may be unaware that they are on the list of over 1,000 properties; noted that is an item they will take to Council as a policy discussion and will be seeking guidance and direction for the program from them; agreed that there is more the City could do to promote the programs particularly the Mills Act Program.

Commissioner Maroko mentioned there's a state historic report called The Certified Local Government Annual Report that includes information on the Commissioners and staff on the classes and courses everyone has taken; mentioned a requirement for an annual class; stated he requested a copy of it from staff and believes that the report has not been completed or submitted to the state.

Community Development Director Wiener stated it has not been submitted but they intend to get back on track with submitting the reports to the state; noted that it had been sidelined and explained they do not lose their certification status due to it.

More discussion followed regarding when the City plans to get back on track with it, that the consequences of not submitting it are not dire.

Commissioner Maroko stated the LA Conservancy has a grading scale and that Redondo Beach is getting zeros so the Director Wiener should take a look at it; spoke of the LA Conservancy implying that owner consent is not necessarily needed to get on the historical landmark stuff; referenced the list of approved landmarks on the City's website and asked what the Historical Overlay Zone in the ordinance means; noted it has only been used once for landmark #2.

Community Development Director Wiener responded that he would need to look into that and get back to the Commission at a later date.

Commissioner Maroko asked Chair Yousufzai if he has ever signed a resolution since he has been Chair that adopted the landmark stuff.

Chair Yousufzai stated he has not. Commissioner Maroko asked Director Wiener why he hasn't.

Community Development Director Wiener stated he would need to look into that since it gets processed through the City Clerk's office not just theirs.

Commissioner Maroko referenced Commissioner Lang's question about process and asked how long it typically takes from the time the Commission approves a resolution to the time of a Mills Act Contract is approved by the City Council.

Community Development Director Wiener said based on his experience typically two months and, after Council approves the agreement, it doesn't go into effect until the next calendar year.

Commissioner Maroko asked if post landmark inspections are done in the City.

Community Development Director Wiener stated since he has been there, he is not aware of any; mentioned it is something he intends to look into with the Mills Act agreements.

Commissioner Maroko felt the process to get on the Historic Resource List is just somebody driving by and saying it looks old; commented that there are no property restrictions other than if you want to demolish it and asked if that was a true statement.

Community Development Director Wiener stated that is correct and said it was a windshield survey where a historic preservation professional driving through town, flags sites and provides thin statements on why the property could potentially be historic.

Commissioner Maroko asked about the restrictions on remodeling when an owner applies to become a landmark property.

Community Development Director Wiener explained once a property becomes a landmark, any modifications would have to comply with the Secretary standards and guidelines; stated he would have to go through and look at the fine print in regard to the Mills Act contract but normally modifications have to be consistent with the Secretary's standards.

Commissioner Maroko asked if a landmark property becomes part of the historic district if additional restrictions apply to the property.

Community Development Director Wiener stated it follows a similar process to being a landmark property and would need a Certificate of Appropriateness for any alterations; noted he could do more research on other additional distinctions between the districts vs individual properties.

Commissioner Lang asked what constitutes a historic district.

Community Development Director Wiener stated it is defined in the code and gave more explanation.

Commissioner Maroko mentioned in December the Commission voted on Wilderness Park to be considered as a historic landmark, noted it is a City owned property, and asked why it hasn't come back to their agenda.

Community Development Director Wiener stated that staff have not received direction from the City Council to pursue that for City property; noted that the Commissions do not create assignments, projects, or send staff in certain policy direction and that the Commission could make a recommendation to the Council through the liaison who forwards those to the Council.

Discussion followed regarding the recommendation and that it can be revisited in Member Items for Staff.

Commissioner Galassi stated the City has an ordinance that must be followed and there is a plan with tasks for the Preservation Commission and the City and asked how the plan is defined.

Community Development Director Wiener reported the ordinance is a local law passed by a legislative body; explained the plan is a guide in addition to the ordinance and is meant to cover gaps that are not covered by the ordinance; noted there is flexibility in how it is applied, and amendments can be made.

Commissioner Galassi stated she had read the plan three and a half years ago and recently reread it; noted that some of the questions Commissioner Maroko posed are answered in the plan; as an example, pointed out that communication with the community is addressed in the plan; referenced and read from Section 2.1.2 of the plan; commended Commissioner Maroko for his work researching and potentially identifying historic people; mentioned the upcoming 2028 Olympics and asked how will Redondo Beach position itself and provide information about the community and history; felt the City's website could do more in promoting and providing information regarding preservation; opined not enough is being done in that respect and asked whether the Commission can work in developing a plan or help or if that is something that the City must do.

Director of Community Development Wiener stated the plan is an advisory document and not a mandate; spoke about the Commission being activists in the community and participating in events and contacting the newspaper to feature certain properties; agreed that staff could use the help and reported he will research the topic and return to the Commission with a report.

Chair Yousufzai suggested that a subcommittee could be established for historic outreach.

Commissioner Galassi stated she is not looking to put additional work on the City but more that they want to help with things that matter; reported to Commissioner Maroko that training is addressed in Section 5.1.1 in the plan and that it would be useful to the Commission to have some training; referenced Section 3.1.1 of the plan; felt there is an opportunity to review demolition of un-surveyed properties that are 50 years of age and older for placement in the Historic Resources book or to prevent demolition; noted it does not address the 50-year starting point 1986 and wondered whether the City is missing any homes that were built in the 1970s and 1980s and whether anyone is evaluating that.

Community Development Director Wiener reported it is not part of the application process, and the City follows code procedure; stated it is a subject he intends to raise with City Council in terms of the policy direction going forward and mentioned it is trending towards being mandatory but currently it is a voluntary program; talked about the flip side of where it impacts the individuals that live in the homes and that they can be challenging situations for the City and Council; warned that they need to be very thoughtful and mindful of situations.

Discussion followed regarding room for modifications, having the City do more to educate the public, that the purpose is not to scare people away from being on the historic program and that some cities take a “more-relaxed” approach, allowing tolerance for changes and modifications and considering reductions in taxes under a Mills Act contract.

Commissioner Galassi spoke about a situation where a commercial property had done some work and then had come to the Commission for approvals but the work done did not conform to the required standards and said she asked the liaison at the time and found there was no penalty for having done that; asked how do they prevent things like that from happening.

Community Development Director Wiener noted it is addressed in the Municipal Code under Section 10-4.802, in the historic chapter Penalties which says it can be deemed a misdemeanor; mentioned it may be more a matter of enforcement and that the City has the tools and the code that give the City the authority.

Commissioner Galassi commented that there have been more examples of homes that were either on the Register of Historic Resources or a house that has been designated landmarked and proceeded with work without coming to the Commission first.

Community Development Director Wiener felt the discussion was very helpful and educational and looked forward to working with the Commission moving forward; mentioned that with more marketing and outreach they will have more people applying for the Mills Act Contract and voluntarily listing their property; felt the policy discussion with the City Council will help provide direction on the process for deeming properties historic.

Commissioner Galassi requested that Members of the PAC remain informed on issues pertaining to when Commission-related topics are presented to City Council.

Community Development Director Wiener stated he would be able to work with the Commission on that and plans on attending more of the meetings when historic preservation matters come up; stated he will look into the recommendation to list Wilderness Park as a historic landmark in the State register and addressed impacts to property values by designating a property as a historic landmark.

Commissioner Maroko asked if landmark homes increase property values, decrease property values, or have no impact on the value.

Community Development Director Wiener felt there is no one-size-fits-all answer and it depends on the circumstances, gave examples of where it could be positive and where it could be negative; stated he couldn't really answer that question.

Commissioner Caldwell spoke about his experience on the Preservation Commission; felt that when he learned more about each item, he was more confident in making decisions; stated he would like to reach out to staff and discuss his thoughts on the subject of promoting preservation.

Community Development Director Wiener suggested adding the topic to an upcoming agenda in terms of appointing a subcommittee to work with staff.

There were no public comments for this item.

Motion by Commissioner Caldwell, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, to receive and file the presentation.

The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Chair Yousufzai moved to Item No. H.

L.3. COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE

Library Director Vinke reported review of the Commission By-laws is still on hold.

Commissioner Maroko provided an update on the Bringing History to the Community Subcommittee and commended Cultural Arts Manager Jack Meyer for getting the National Parks Services to authorize the City to use two of the National Park signs related to the Japanese Internment in Ito Park.

Commissioner Galassi reported that the Franklin Park Playground Subcommittee has had two meetings, is moving towards doing a redesign where all of the units are combined, the shading will be more optimal and perimeter items will be added as well.

There were no public comments on this item.

M. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Director of Community Development Wiener commented on the meeting; noted preservation has his full attention and hoped that the City will have a smoother process going forward.

Library Director Vinke thanked Director Wiener and his team for attending tonight; encouraged the PAC to look at his Director's report and commented on upcoming Library tours and the status of the Open+ program.

N. COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA TOPICS

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Commissioner Galassi, and approved by voice vote, to agendize a future discussion regarding having the north side of Garnet Street being considered a historic district.

The motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Maroko provided an update on Dawidziak Park; offered his help to staff with the Quarterly Newsletter and stated he would like to explore, with staff, the possibility of installing commemorative bricks in the sidewalk of historic landmark homes and privately raising funds for the bricks.

Library Director Vinke thanked Director Wiener recommended forming a subcommittee towards that effort.

Chair Yousufzai spoke about the need to have a conversation about subcommittees in general.

Motion by Commissioner Caldwell, seconded by Commissioner Lang, and approved by voice vote, to agendize a discussion about publicizing historic landmarks.

The motion carried 7-0.

Commissioner Lang suggested the discussion on subcommittees include the name and members of each.

Commissioner Galassi asked about maintaining a list of items the PAC wishes to agendize and suggested creating a shared Google document to manage and update the list. Additionally, she announced that City Council voted on the sound study for Alta Vista; recalled she had previously requested to be informed when the sound study would occur and talked about people who were invited to participate but expressed concern that no one from the PAC was informed. She talked about the importance of improving

communications moving forward; mentioned she found out about allowing the City to create a park on a property on Herondo and North Francisco and about Dominguez Park from Facebook and hoped that the PAC will be informed about these and other projects, regularly. She felt that the PAC is not being utilized as it should be.

Motion by Chair Yousufzai, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to form a subcommittee to address pickleball reservations, best practices and operations at Alta Vista Park and to have Commissioner Galassi as its member and not to exceed 6 months.

Discussion followed regarding the need to have a discussion regarding all subcommittees, in general, waiting to form another subcommittee until further clarification/direction from Council is provided, the need to make decisions, quickly, having a conversation with staff offline, the pros and cons of forming another subcommittee, ensuring that the PAC is not left out of the process, commenting with individual Council Members.

The motion carried 6-1-0. Commissioner Caldwell, abstained.

Chair Yousufzai spoke about the importance of having a thorough discussion of subcommittees in general, their members and schedules.

O. ADJOURNMENT – 10:30 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Public Amenities Commission, motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m. to a regular meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers 415 N. Pacific Coast Hwy. Redondo Beach, California.

The motion carried 7-0.

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



Minutes
Regular Meeting
Public Amenities Commission – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October 8, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission was called to order by Commissioner 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: Maroko, Lang, Galassi, Rowe, McCauley

Commissioners Absent: Caldwell, Chair Yousufzai

Officials Present: Sean Scully, Planning Manager
Dana Vinke, Library Director
Sean O'Rourke, Associate Planner
Becca McNeely, Library Coordinator

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Lang led the Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

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

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

E.1. BLUE FOLDER

Director Vinke reported Blue Folder items related to the Public Hearing were emailed to the Commissioners and he has hard copies if needed.

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

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

F.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

F.2. Pulled by Commissioner Galassi

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

F.4. Pulled by Commissioner Maroko

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no eComments and no one online.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to approve Consent Calendar items F.1 and F.3.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

F.2. APPROVE THE REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

Commissioner Galassi asked that under section L.1, paragraph four, that she asked the question regarding how the program was able to exceed the statistics and not Commissioner Maroko.

Commissioner Maroko stated under F.4 he asked a series of questions to the Community Development Director Marc Wiener which he felt were not reflected in the minutes; mentioned he said he was going to do amendments, which he did, and sent them off to the City around September 30th; wanted them to be received and filed by the Commission so when it comes back up on the agenda to approve the August minutes, they would have the ability to read them; disclosed Commissioner Lang reviewed them and he sent a copy over to Commissioner Galassi as well.

Motion by Commissioner Lang, seconded by Commissioner Galassi, to receive and file Commissioner Maroko's amendments to the August minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Rowe, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to approve September 10, 2025, minutes with the requested change.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no public comments for the item.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

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

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

Deputy Community Services Director Orta stated she is happy to answer any questions they have regarding the item.

Commissioner Maroko mentioned the Park Ranger Program had been on their agenda in the past and they were told it would be brought back to them but it hasn't and wanted an update on the status.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta reported staff decided it was an item that would be best suited for a larger conversation on subcommittees because that was a discussion on whether to develop a subcommittee for the Park Ranger Program; noted the Commission has had other discussions on subcommittees as a whole and to decide how to proceed with development of subcommittees so staff has tabled it until that is decided.

Commissioner Maroko stated the Commission was not notified about the Herondo Park dedication on September 30th until a couple of days prior to that date and wondered why they were not told sooner about it since they are taking over parts of the Recreation and Parks Commission.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta mentioned her team was not too involved in that event either so she cannot speak on the details of when that was finalized.

Commissioner Maroko asked if any programs were produced for that event.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta said she was unsure and was not able to attend that event but could see if there were any programs and provide them with copies.

Commissioner Maroko reported the person that is trying to get the Riviera Park plaque reached out to him via email stating that the City still needs to determine if the language on the plaque is appropriate; mentioned the Commission already voted on it and moved it forward.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta reported they have no intent in changing the context of what is written but the City still needs to put the information through some historical accuracy testing to make sure the information is confirmed; spoke of adding additional content to some dates that were mentioned in the context provided.

Commissioner Maroko questioned why they didn't propose that at the time Commissioner Lang was doing the clean up on the language.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta noted at that time that was between Commissioner Lang and the family.

Commissioner Maroko asked when it would be completed, and Deputy Community Services Director Orta stated she cannot give an exact date but hopefully soon.

Commissioner Lang asked if Parks and Rec did not plan that event who planned it.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta responded that Public Works took the lead on that event and worked with the City Manager's office.

More discussion followed on who plans certain events and that it is dependent on the purpose of it.

Commissioner Lang asked if Community Services plans any events if the Commission can be notified via email. Deputy Community Services Director Orta replied yes.

Commissioner Galassi reported that she saw a Facebook post by the Mayor inviting everyone to attend the groundbreaking event, realized the Commission was not notified and reached out to Councilmember Obagi who did send out an email to everyone; wanted it recognized that he did send out the email; asked Deputy Community Services Director Orta if she wanted to update them now about committees regarding Alta Vista and Franklin Park.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta agreed to provide the updates; mentioned the City Council allocated about \$500,000 to redo the playground at the location; stated they are keeping the same footprint but replacing the playground structure at Franklin Park, the subcommittee has met with the stakeholder group and they are at the stage where the playground equipment has been refined and they are fine-tuning the colors and layout; communication with the playground manufacturing company has been made and they are producing 3D renderings and a flythrough video for them; noted it will be the first fully-accessible playground in Redondo Beach so they want to make sure the stakeholders feel confident with their selections; reported they have received quotes for the resurfacing at Alta Vista which will include full-court resurfacing of all eight existing tennis courts, one of which will be turned into four pickleball courts; stated the three quotes received were higher than what has been allocated for it and will review the quotes to see how to get them down; reported they are meeting tomorrow to discuss; stated they have finalized the order for the sound mitigation blankets for the western fence line which came from a separate fund and explained some next steps.

Commissioner Galassi asked if they are still on track for December and Deputy Community Services Director Orta replied it looks like they are but she will keep them updated.

Discussion followed to clarify the number of courts being resurfaced and that one of the eight tennis courts will be converted to four pickleball courts; more explanation followed regarding the decision made by Council and staff on the full resurfacing of the courts in conjunction with converting one to pickleball courts.

Commissioner Maroko asked for an update on Dominguez Park.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta stated she is not as involved with it but her understanding is that Public Works would be meeting with the County to talk about the requirements to get the park open.

Commissioner Maroko mentioned page 31 of the materials and complimented the docent on the graphics of promoting the museum and asked that she relay that to the person.

Motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, to receive and file Community Services Department updates related to Historical & Parks and Recreation activities.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no public comments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

Jill Klausen, resident since 1994, spoke about the Ann Baker historic home and mentioned that Ann Baker recently passed away; reported the home had a Public Notice posted stating the current owner wanted to tear down the home and build a duplex; noted that the August 20th date has passed and wondered about the outcome; stated she came to speak today because Commissioner Galassi mentioned it was on the list of historical resources; read from an article featured at the home which stated one of her sons wanted the home to be kept intact and be declared a historical landmark; read a comment she received from her Facebook post from Jennifer Korban that said, "Historic properties have local and state preservation laws that protect properties historic integrity. Please save this home from developers. Our neighborhood doesn't need another overpriced townhouse."; hoped there was something the Commission could do to prevent that home from being demolished.

Commissioner Maroko asked if there was a public hearing.

Jill Klausen clarified that a public notice was posted on a stake on the front lawn of the property, the public hearing was scheduled for August 20th but she forgot about it; wondered if there was anything the Commission could do.

Commissioner Maroko asked Planning Manager Scully about the project.

Planning Manager Scully said it would have come to the Commission since August 20th was a Wednesday.

More discussion followed and the address of the home was given as 218 South Helberta Avenue.

Jill Klausen read that August 20th was the comment deadline and application requests for consideration of an exemption declaration and administrative design review to permit the construction of a two-unit residential development on property located within a residential R3 zone.

Planning Manager Scully explained it is going through an administrative design review process, it is not subject to the preservation ordinance based on its survey designation and as a result does not fall under the purview of the preservation ordinance.

Commissioner Lang commented that it needed to fall under an A or B rating and that is just from the visual survey.

Planning Manager Scully agreed.

Commissioner Maroko commented that Ann Baker did not want her home to be a historic landmark when she was alive but stated they will take a look and discuss it further at some point.

Jill Klausen asked if the item would come before the Planning and Public Amenities Commissions in the future where the public will have opportunities to comment.

Commissioner Lang suggested that Jill Klausen go on the City's website, look up the historical survey, find out what rating the property was given and if it was given an A or B rating noted it would come before the Commission and the public would have an opportunity to speak; recommended that she reach out to her Councilperson as well.

Commissioner Galassi reported she looked it up and that it was given a C rating but that the Commission could examine the property; noted that the City website has a historic context statement and read one of the bullet points that stated re-evaluation can be discussed.

Library Director Vinke interjected to point out the item is not on the agenda and that staff or others could reach out to Jill Klausen offline.

Commissioner Galassi pointed out that it could also be agendaized at a future meeting.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported one person online but no hands raised and one eComment from Jill Klausen.

I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION - None

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS

J.1. Public Hearing for Consideration of an Exemption Declaration and Certificate of Appropriateness for Restoration and Rehabilitation to a Landmark Property 519 South Catalina Avenue, Pursuant to Title 10, Chapter 4 of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Open the public hearing and receive testimony, receive and file all documents and correspondence on the proposed project;**
- 2. Accept all testimony from staff, applicant, and public;**

3. Consider the action;
4. Close the public hearing;
5. 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 CEQA Exemption Declaration and Certificate of Appropriateness for rehabilitation, repair, removal of unpermitted shed, and tenant improvements of a landmark property at 519 South Catalina Avenue pursuant to Chapter 4, Title 10 of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to open up the public hearing.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

Commissioner Maroko asked if they need to put the witnesses under oath.

Planning Manager Scully stated he would recommend it just to be safe.

Commissioner Maroko asked anyone planning to speak to stand, and Planning Manager Scully administered the Oath.

Planning Manager Scully stated that Associate Planner Sean O'Rourke would be providing the presentation and that they also have the property owner, the property owner's architect and her contractor available in the audience.

Associate Planner O'Rourke stated the item is regarding the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the repair and rehabilitation of a landmark property located at 519 South Catalina Avenue; provided an overview and noted it was designated a local landmark on May 4, 1994; stated the reasons a Certificate of Appropriateness is needed per the municipal code; provided a slide featuring what the applicant is proposing for the replacement, repair and restoration of specific items of the home; provided more detail on other repairs that would be done to the home; stated the ADU is not within the purview of the Certificate of Appropriateness; showed pictures provided by the applicant of the primary structure, the rear of the structure, the previously unpermitted living space at the rear of the property, and the garage; stated the next three slides were plans provided by the applicant and demonstrate the proposed project and are also included as a Blue Folder item; provided detailed explanations of the plans on the slides and noted Condition No. 13; stated that the Redondo Beach Municipal Code details the criteria for the approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness and read the code; stated the prescriptive standards refer to the Secretary of Interior Standards for Rehabilitation and provided the definition; noted that each finding was included in the Administrative Report and the resolution; reported the home would retain the characteristics of the Craftsman architectural style; read the three criteria for approval of Certificate of Appropriateness; noted the proposed project is categorically exempt from the preparation of environmental review documents pursuant to Section 15331; stated staff recommended that the Commission approve the

CEQA exemption and the Certificate of Appropriateness for this project.

Commissioner Galassi asked which window was being removed on the north elevation.

Associate Planner O'Rourke went back to the slide featuring the windows but wasn't able to show or explain which windows were being removed or replaced.

Planning Manager Scully suggested going to the existing first story floor plan to explain; counted seven total windows on the existing plan and the proposed plan retains the seven windows but moved them to accommodate the different floor plan.

It was determined the windows they were discussing were on the north side of the structure near the meters.

Commissioner Galassi noted that the house is going to retain as much of the original siding as possible and asked for clarification if the siding being replaced would be with wood siding.

Planning Manager Scully replied that is the Condition of Approval that staff has applied to the project.

Commissioner Galassi asked if the Hardie siding is just for the ADU unit in the back.

Planning Manager Scully stated it would be replaced with wood siding since that is what is being used now.

Commissioner Lang referenced the updated plan and questioned why the two front windows on the second floor were changed to double-hung but all the other windows are casement windows.

Planning Manager Scully stated that is what the applicant proposed, and it is conditioned that they are all double-hung and all wood; noted that it is a distinction between the plan that the architect provided and the Conditions of Approval.

Commissioner Lang asked if the plans just haven't been updated to reflect that.

Planning Manager Scully stated the plans have been updated but the applicant is proposing an alternative proposal to do the casement windows on the side and rear elevations, but staff is recommending that they are all wood and double-hung all around; noted that is the resolution before the Commission to decide upon that evening.

Commissioner Lang asked for clarification on what was before them that evening.

Planning Manager Scully stated the resolution with the Conditions of Approval is staff's recommendation and the plans are consistent with the staff's recommendations on the front elevations but the window types on the side and rear elevations are what the applicant is proposing and that is the discrepancy, and the Commission needs to determine which material to proceed with.

Commissioner Rowe asked to go back to the slide with the Proposed Certificate of Appropriateness to view the replacements and refurbishments; asked how much of the brick foundation would be lost.

Planning Manager Scully stated those would be repaired.

Commissioner Maroko asked if the Commission is supposed to have the actual application in front of them.

Planning Manager Scully stated it was not required that they bring the application before the Commission; noted that they have gone to a new application through the City's portal but there is very little information on it besides the plans which they have before them.

Associate Planner O'Rourke added they worked with the applicant team to get to a proposal that was compliant to the municipal code.

Commissioner Maroko noted the property was approved as a landmark in 1994 and assumed through conversations with the Community Development Director that there was probably no post landmark inspection done of the property.

Planning Manager Scully said probably not.

Commissioner Maroko asked if it is correct to expect no post landmark inspection will be done.

Planning Manager Scully stated there will be multiple inspections when the permit is issued.

Commissioner Galassi referred back to the windows and asked how much of the side view is visible from the street.

Planning Manager Scully explained what can be seen from the sidewalk noted the southside windows of the home are not visible at all, just the trim and molding.

Commissioner Galassi wanted to confirm the home does not have a Mills Act contract.

Planning Manager Scully confirmed it does not have a Mills Act.

Some discussion followed regarding Mills Act and property taxes.

Commissioner Lang stated from the Google view the first window is definitely visible from the street and it is proposed to be a casement window, which look totally different from a double-hung window; asked to see the slide with the materials; commented that the side view is only blocked by bushes and those can be taken down at any point by the neighbors.

Commissioner Maroko moved to have the applicant or the applicant's agent speak.

Domingo Ottolia, the architect for the property, stated he is working with the owner who

purchased the property back in December 2024; noted their objective is to repair it and bring back its character while making the interior more contemporary; addressed the comparison of the double-hung versus the casement style windows and said they do not have any problems in making them all double-hung with the exception of the two front bedroom windows; explained that the egress size does not work if they make them double-hung unless they make them considerably wider but they wanted to keep similar proportions to the original and that is why they proposed the casement windows; referred back to Commissioner Galassi's question about the side windows and stated that was part of a one-story addition done back in the 60's and they are aluminum windows and they are trying to relocate those windows in a logical way so those rooms can be bedrooms and explained that the bigger window to the left of those windows is for the tub; requested that the Commission consider allowing them to use aluminum powder-coated clad on the exterior because they will last longer than wood; felt the Secretary of Interior Standard for Rehabilitation allows for it and read Section 6 of the Standard and gave his reasoning; stated the Commission could require a condition that Planning Manager Scully would need to review the window type before it gets approved.

Commissioner Lang mentioned it is a casement window and that the wood is inside.

Domingo Ottolia confirmed that is correct.

Commissioner Lang argued that the casement windows look very different from the double-hung windows; pointed out that the original windows are from 1912 and have held up well; asked if all windows are egress.

Domingo Ottolia responded that only the windows that are in a bedroom and do not have a door to the exterior are egress; mentioned that the original windows look fine from about 20 ft away but many are in disrepair with rot and mentioned that the older wood used was denser and held up better but new wood windows are not as dense and do not hold up as well.

Commissioner Lang commented that casement windows are less expensive than double-hung but Domingo Ottolia stated they are actually similar in cost.

Commissioner Maroko asked if staff was okay with the recommendations from the applicant's architect.

Planning Manager Scully noted they thought they would require them to stay with the existing materials and design throughout but stated it is not a significant alteration if it cannot be viewed from the right-of-way, however, in staff's opinion it leads to consistency issues and the integrity is diminished; reiterated that staff's recommendation is to keep all the windows wood double-hung and that is how the project is conditioned.

Commissioner Lang stated from what she viewed there are only two double-hung windows on the new plans asked if they planned on keeping the old ones.

Domingo Ottolia stated the hope is to repair or rebuild the old ones and have all new windows throughout the house but from the comments felt they could make all the

windows double-hung with the exception of the bedroom window but if that is not possible they can make the windows wider to accommodate the double-hung size for egress; argued aluminum-clad would last longer but understood it is up to the Commission to decide; offered to bring samples of the materials if the Commission was open to the option to show them that the look would be similar.

Commissioner Lang opined that double-hung windows are more appealing and would prefer to see that on the home; felt wood style windows should be a trend that is considered more often.

Domingo Ottolia stated they are using Sierra Pacific Windows and that they are a quality vendor; mentioned that the aluminum-clad are actually more expensive than the double-hung but felt for the preservation the aluminum-clad would be better.

Commissioner Maroko wanted to ask the property owner some questions and asked Pamela Sattler to come up; asked if her intention would be to seek a Mills Act contract.

Pamela Sattler stated she has read a bit about it and understood she would need to work with the Planning Department to get it done.

Commissioner Maroko asked if they need to put that in their resolution, to recommend to the Council to review whether the property should be Mills Act.

Planning Manager Scully said yes they could do that.

Commissioner Maroko asked how her relationship is with the neighbors, mentioning the homes on either side of her are also historic homes; pointed out that there is potential for a historic district.

Pamela Sattler mentioned the neighbor on the south side of her is excited to see her project start and mentioned the neighbors on the north side are very supportive of her project.

Commissioner Maroko asked her if she would be amenable to making her property part of a historical district.

Commissioner Galassi explained that a historical district is different than just one home being deemed a historical landmark and that it would be a grouping of properties together that would form a district; opined that her street would be ideal for it.

Pamela Sattler said she would be amenable to that.

Commissioner Maroko stated it would require her written consent and if she goes with the Mills Act contract he would ask that she sign a written consent so it can be part of the record for her property.

Discussion followed on where Pamela Sattler could find the information, and it would mean working with the Planning Department. Pamela Sattler was not agreeable to more

time added and commented that it has already been seven months; the Commission assured her that it would not add to her project time and that it is a separate process.

Commissioner Maroko asked for public comment.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no eComments and no one online.

Commissioner McCauley provided some feedback and stated he is fine with the aluminum windows; felt it does not take away from the design.

Commissioner Galassi provided her feedback and felt the owner would be happy if she pursued the Mills Act contract because it will help her with the upkeep of the home and gave more explanation; spoke of the need to preserve consistency with the City's ordinances and the Secretary of the Interior Standards and voiced support for the staff's recommendations.

Commissioner Rowe spoke in support of the architect's recommendations for aluminum windows; stated he is excited about the possibility of a historic district for that neighborhood.

Commissioner Lang echoed Commissioner Galassi's comments and mentioned she grew up in a historic district and it is very special; hoped the owner would pursue it with her neighbors and thanked her for taking on the project.

Commissioner Maroko echoed the comments made by all the Commissioners; mentioned that the resolution mentions the Commission makes findings but he didn't see what the findings were that they were supposed to make and asked staff if he is missing something.

Planning Manager Scully pulled up the resolution and showed the Commission where the findings were in the document.

Motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Lang to close the public hearing.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported there were no eComments and no one online.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

Commissioner Maroko moved onto step 5 of the item; noted there were two proposals before them: 1) adopt the resolution as proposed by staff, and 2) adopt the resolution but add language with regards to the aluminum windows; suggested they take a vote for either aluminum windows or double-hung wooden; asked all in favor of aluminum windows and Commissioners McCauley and Rowe were in favor and Commissioners Galassi, Lang, and Maroko were opposed.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to adopt the resolution of the Public Amenities Commission of the City of Redondo Beach, California

approving a CEQA Exemption Declaration and Certificate of Appropriateness for rehabilitation, repair, removal of unpermitted shed, and tenant improvements of a landmark property at 519 South Catalina Avenue pursuant to Chapter 4, Title 10 of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Maroko, Lang, Rowe, Galassi, McCauley

NOES: None

ABSENT: Caldwell, Yousufzai

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Chair Yousufzai were absent.

K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA - None

L. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

L.1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS- CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Commissioner Maroko asked if there were any nominations for Chair.

It was clarified that the current Chair is Yousufzai and the current Vice Chair is Maroko; more discussion followed regarding the statues for the positions.

Library Director Vinke mentioned that the ordinances were discussed at the Council meeting, but it still needed to come back for a second reading and would take 30 days after that for it to be official.

Commissioner Maroko mentioned they will be under the old rules for now but it would likely change; asked for nominations for Chair.

Commissioner Rowe nominated Commissioner Maroko for Chair; Commissioner Lang nominated Commissioner Galassi for Vice Chair.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Maroko, Lang, Rowe, Galassi, McCauley

NOES: None

ABSENT: Caldwell, Yousufzai

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Yousufzai were absent.

L.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED WALK OF HISTORY TIMELINE SIGNS PROJECT AT DOMINGUEZ PARK

CONTACT: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Deputy Community Services Director provided a PowerPoint presentation; provided the history of the project, noted it originated on September 21, 2022 through a subcommittee that recommended it to the former Historical Commission that approved it and then referred it to the former Recreation & Parks Commission (RPC); explained the intent of the proposal was to install historically significant timeline signs throughout the park; at the time it was approved and referred to the former RPC, staff provided a sample sign along with examples of historical items that could be listed on the signs; reported that, on May 10, 2023, a majority of commissioners voted to refer the item back to the Historical Commission to provide additional details and explained what other details they requested; reported that, on February 14, 2024, the former Historical Commission considered the referral but did not take any action on the item; stated the item came back before this Commission, at the request of Chair Maroko with support of other Commissioners, to consider whether it would like to resume discussions regarding this project to determine the preferred method for implementation.

Commissioner Galassi asked if there was ever a budget put together for the project.

Chair Maroko provided some background on the item; mentioned during the pandemic, since all the museums and Heritage Square were closed, the idea was to bring the museum outside so that kids and adults could still learn the history of the City; stated he worked on the mock up design which was originally quoted at \$200 to \$300 per sign but by the time it got back to the RPC it had gone up to \$500; stated at the time, cost was not a major factor; referred them to page 114 of the materials, under J.4 it was referred from the Historical Commission to the RPC since it had to do with the parks; mentioned he spoke to Commissioner McCauley about the item since he was formerly on the RPC and they decided 8 to 10 signs would be good; felt where the signs would go is more of a staff decision, the mock-up design can be discussed further by the Commission, and that the costs should not be too much of a factor; stated that the real decision is whether they want to move forward with it.

Commissioner Galassi understood why Dominguez Park was chosen for the location but wondered if other locations were considered.

Commissioner McCauley pointed out that Dominguez Park was chosen because of the historical significance of the area but the idea was to expand from there into other locations; the choice to start with 8 to 10 was just for the first location and more would be created as they moved to other locations; noted that the QR code they intended to put on the post of the sign would be a way to link them all together and provide more information than the sign would have.

Commissioner Galassi supported the idea and felt it would be great for when the Olympics happen and for visitors to understand the history of the City; questioned whether it was set to be at Dominguez Park.

Chair Maroko said if Dominguez Park was not an option there are other streets available, or the Esplanade would be a good location or they could put one in each park.

Commissioner McCauley pointed out that a lot of time, effort and discussions have gotten them to this point and recommended that they stick to what they currently have since it is complete; noted it is an open-ended project and can be added to in the future.

Commissioner Lang suggested if they do move forward with the project that they create a template so that if staff or the Commission were to turn over the new people would not have to start over if another Path of History marker were to be needed; opined that the QR code takes away from the screen-free learning; stated she is in support of the project.

Chair Maroko suggested that the QR code could provide an audio instead of written material.

Deputy Community Services Director Orta stated she needed a recommendation and direction from the Commission on whether staff should move the item forward, and how they would prefer staff to approach the project.

Chair Maroko mentioned they have a Bringing History to the Community subcommittee already and if anyone wants to join there is one more spot open.

More discussion followed on the design of the marker.

Commissioner Galassi felt they should make sure they have enough bandwidth given all the subcommittees to get done what needs to be done; mentioned a lot of work still needed to be done for the Preservation Commission.

More discussion followed on the list of items they have to work on.

Commissioner Lang offered to consult on the subcommittee with the design and any other items needed.

Commissioner Rowe agreed that more text on the signs would be better for less phone use; worried that too many metal poles may create a dangerous environment for people running around.

Chair Maroko felt dogs peeing on the poles would pose more of a problem.

More discussion followed on the design and heights of the poles and signs and the safety of the people visiting the park.

Commissioner Rowe just wanted to make sure they considered all the possible situations when placing the markers.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no public comments.

Motion by Chair Maroko, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, to move forward with the walking timeline and work with staff to come up with designs and/or cost estimates for the project.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Yousufzai were absent.

L.3. COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE

Library Director Vinke stated the list of committees was in the Administrative Report and also reported that Commissioner Lang was already on the Bringing History subcommittee; stated this item was added for a couple of reasons: 1) for updates since they were waiting to see if the ordinances would go through and be passed and 2) for updates on the subcommittees; noted there was a recommendation to bring the committees back as a whole to have a discussion but it is not currently on the agenda; stated that Council asked staff to get some clarification or description on what each subcommittee does but it does not need to be done that evening; noted that tonight anyone representing a subcommittee should provide an update on any progress.

Chair Maroko asked if they were reformulating.

Library Director Vinke stated they would bring back the subcommittees as a discussion item after the ordinances are passed; reported Council is in the process of reviewing the bylaws and rules for the Commission; stated that evening would just be for the updates from current subcommittees.

Chair Maroko mentioned that Council approved the first go round of the ordinances.

Library Director Vinke affirmed that and stated a second reading is needed and then 30 days after that it becomes official.

Chair Maroko stated they published the Purpose of the Intent; asked to drop the “sub” from subcommittees.

Library Director Vinke said sure and asked if they wanted to go through the list of committees.

Chair Maroko spoke of Minor Alterations being a requirement and asked Commissioner Galassi and Commissioner Lang if they wanted to continue with it.

They both stated they did. It was noted they have room for one more so one of the two absent commissioners could join.

Chair Maroko continued down the list to the Facilities User subcommittee, noted that Commissioners Lang, McCauley, and Galassi are on that committee.

Commissioner McCauley provided an update on the Facilities User subcommittee; mentioned he will begin the organization of the annual meeting with youth organizations to meet before Thanksgiving.

More discussion followed on the involvement of the various leagues, volunteers, and Public Works.

Commissioner McCauley pointed out one concern is over the power lines coming down on 190th and using that area for youth fields.

More discussion followed regarding other locations and their intended uses.

Commissioner Lang felt it was important to note that once the power lines come down, there will be a lot of interest in putting housing there and it would be worth it to gather data together on how many youth groups would be served there.

Commissioner McCauley noted that Redondo is “park poor” and the Quimby fees are required by developers that want to build in Redondo; spoke of Redondo needing to use the land that becomes available for the community and not housing development.

Commissioner Lang pointed out that she should have been noted as being on the Facilities User subcommittee and not Commissioner Galassi.

Chair Maroko asked for an update from Commissioner Rowe and Commissioner Caldwell (who was absent) on the Volunteer Acknowledgement Program.

Commissioner Rowe noted it is really a one-person committee, and he will provide some updates next month and will get some applications to the Commission within 30 days; supported the continuance of the committee.

Chair Maroko touched upon the Bringing History to the Community committee and stated that will continue; moved on to the Franklin Park Playground subcommittee, noted Commissioners Galassi, Lang, and Caldwell are on that subcommittee.

Commissioner Galassi mentioned Deputy Director Orta spoke about Franklin Park earlier and she had nothing to add but that the committee should continue on until the park is finished.

Chair Maroko felt that the Public Amenities Bylaw subcommittee was no longer needed since the ordinance and Code of Conduct is being covered already.

Library Director Vinke agreed and said they could opt to bring it back in the future if there was a concern.

Chair Maroko asked if the Alta Vista Park Pickleball subcommittee was needed.

Commissioner Galassi stated it needs to continue on and they have a round-table meeting scheduled for October 15th with Pickleball Ambassadors from surrounding towns to find out their successes and challenges; mentioned Director Orta and herself drew up some questions and the goal is to rollout the program successfully and figure out how to respect all the sports played there and the community; in response to Chair Maroko’s question, noted they have a Facebook page and are discussing other means of outreach.

Chair Maroko asked for input on any other subcommittees that might be needed.

Commissioner Galassi mentioned the discussions around the survey and that is it 30 years outdated; felt the Commission needs to come up with a recommendation to present to Council; spoke about the urgency, that there is already money allocated, that the public

has no idea how to designate their homes or if their homes are on the list, and that the Preservation Commission and staff have fallen behind; listed some ideas including updating the City website to make it easier for people to find the information on preservation, create a Preservation committee that assists in informational material including outreach, create a community-wide video to post on the website; and suggested that a Commissioner attend each district meeting to talk about preservation and the program; stated she would like to have a booth at the June Riviera festival for both Historical and Preservation; reiterated that she thinks the Commission needs to formally request that Council move that survey item up the list and noted that she went to take a look at a house on the list and it was not there because it had been demolished; felt they have a lot of work to do and recommended that they create a Preservation subcommittee to work on her suggestions.

Chair Maroko agreed with her recommendation and had a note to create a Research and Promotion of Historical Districts and Landmark Committee; noted that Sean O'Rourke would be leaving the City soon so a committee would be essential so research of designations would not be forgotten; felt they need something that can focus on researching the properties and then promoting it and explained what he has been doing to document properties; opined a Research and Promotion type of committee would be better and not a formal structure; asked if Commissioner Galassi had more on her list.

Commissioner Galassi disagreed and felt the committee should have several arms and would be able to help staff and take some work off of them since part of the problem is they are too busy to communicate to the public; suggested they could help with the mailers but noted the more important step is to approach the Council and that is why they need a subcommittee to come up with the recommendation, have it approved by the entire Commission, and then have it presented to Council.

Library Director Vinke interjected that he felt in order for it to be successful they should include input from the actual department to make sure what they are suggesting can be done; felt their concerns were warranted but would prefer to make sure they have the department present to speak on their concerns before moving forward in forming a subcommittee; suggested bringing it back as a discussion topic separately and what they need to focus on that evening is on current subcommittees.

Commissioner Lang asked if a staff person need to be present for a subcommittee to meet.

Library Director Vinke replied no.

Commissioner Lang referred to all the items Commissioner Galassi brought up and felt the problem is that staff does not have the time available to meet with them and give them direction; noted that since several commissions folded, they have all been taking on a lot of extra work; suggested they put all their preservation ideas down and all the holes they are missing when they are trying to make decisions, and then approach staff with all of it; opined that if they brought staff in before putting it all down it would just cause more work for them; felt comfortable creating the subcommittee and meeting a couple of times and

then presenting to staff their information, ideas and requests; spoke of the house on Harper and that it was surveyed and rated using a “street-view observation”.

Commissioner McCauley pointed out that they are under the old rules still and can go ahead and form the subcommittee and do what needs to be done in the meantime and then staff can advise them; stated since they are getting rid of one subcommittee they could in the same motion add the new subcommittee.

Chair Maroko stated what he hoped would come from this discussion was their ideas for other committees because everyone has limited bandwidth; mentioned he looked at old minutes and saw that there was an Education Committee that did exactly the same thing that is being proposed; noted that another reason he wanted those minutes in there is because he answered a lot of questions like should they be proactive or reactive and felt that they are at a crossroads where they would like to be more proactive; recommended the Commissioners throw out ideas for the possible committees and either have the discussion that evening about them or table it, as the liaison suggested, until the next meeting; noted that everything that Commissioner Galassi mentioned is in the new stuff for the Commission.

Commissioner Galassi referenced a previous meeting that had the Preservation Plan before them as part of the agenda packet; reported she studied it and realized there is a lot they are not doing that the Preservation Plan details and that is part of their predicament; noted the objective is to strengthen their program and to make sure they are doing the right thing for the preservation program.

Chair Maroko asked Commissioner McCauley if he had any ideas for a committee that falls under Parks and Rec, Historical, Preservation, or Library.

Commissioner McCauley felt committees serve the purpose well because there is only so much bandwidth the Commission has; mentioned that the preservation issues are extensive and when presented at meetings they gobble up a lot of time and felt a committee would help expedite issues; didn't feel another committee was needed for rec and parks; supported forming the committee for preservation and eliminating the Public Amenities Bylaw committee mentioned earlier.

Commissioner Rowe commented that he is learning that people don't know about historic designations and Mills Act; asked how many houses are historic landmarks.

Chair Maroko replied 115 and also responded to Commissioner Rowe's next question on the number of possible designations, stating about 1400 and that the number will skyrocket when they add the next time period of 1950 to 1975.

Commissioner Rowe stated that he would be interested in the outreach to let people know of the eligibility they have ahead of them but had no other committees to add.

Commissioner Lang stated she had no other subcommittees to add but wanted to continue to form committees for play structures and parks for the community as needed.

Chair Maroko spoke about the Park Ranger committee from the Recs and Parks Commission; noted it pops up but then gets buried and felt it would be important for the parks to have someone be a resource for people.

Commissioner Lang reported that she was on that subcommittee but it became an issue trying to work with everyone's schedules to meet; felt it would be more productive to have a couple committee members meet and do research ahead of time.

Chair Maroko felt it was still worthwhile to pursue the Park Ranger committee and added that a Tree Landmark committee is needed to develop the canopy ordinances for recommendation to the Council and to possibly landmark some trees and develop protocols to recommend to the Council; spoke about trees that have been taken down on various streets in Redondo and felt it is important to have some type of Tree Landmark committee and progress from there if they get feedback from the community; noted that he had mentioned, two meetings ago, that they need to have a recognition program for landmarks; reported looking into creating a brick with the City's logo, landmark designation, and the year it was landmarked and received an estimate from the City on the cost of taking a piece of concrete out and putting the brick in; stated, about 8 to 10 meetings ago, he would continue doing research on properties and put together history on them; noted he is working on 1224 because he felt the professional report missed a lot of the history and needs to be supplemented; stated that is something he can offer to Community Development and if they tell the Commission about projects they can start working on getting them historical information; felt what he mentioned shouldn't cause too much detriment for at least a year; recommended that they keep the committees they have currently with the exception of eliminating the Public Amenities Bylaw committee, then bring to the next agenda the additional committees and any others, noting the two Commissioners not present tonight will be able to add their input; offered to work with Commissioner Galassi to flush out her proposal and make it less threatening to staff.

Commissioner Galassi stated her intent is to be a vehicle through which staff can achieve more and welcomed getting together to come up with a more succinct and well-worded recommendation to present to staff.

More discussion followed regarding the intent of the Commission and the frustrations they feel getting nowhere on the same topics or items.

Motion by Commissioner Maroko, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, to agendize the actual formation of new committees and review the minutes for the ideas mentioned and present it at the next meeting.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no public comments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Yousufzai were absent.

Motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Chair Maroko, to eliminate the Public Amenities Bylaws subcommittee.

Library Coordinator McNeely reported no public comments.

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Yousufzai were absent.

Chair Maroko asked Library Director Vinke to notify Commissioners Yousufzai and Caldwell that they are looking at forming new committees at the next meeting.

M. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Library Director Vinke stated it is National Banned Book Week and they have a display at the library; reported some have thought they are banning books but the message is the opposite of that and are in support of intellectual freedom.

Per the request of Chair Maroko, Library Director Vinke reported on the District 4 meeting, noted he was asked to speak about the events at the library by Councilmember Obagi and fielded questions; appreciated the opportunity.

N. COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND FUTURE COMMISSION AGENDA TOPICS

Commissioner Galassi spoke about the sensory rooms at the library that were mentioned at the District 4 Community Meeting; stated they are adaptive semi-secluded rooms and mentioned people could search Harbor Gateway Sensory Rooms and find more information; asked Director Vinke if the City was pursuing them.

Library Director Vinke reported the Staff Report contained a preliminary investigation identifying funding options, locations, and resources and they are pursuing it especially for the Main Library.

Commissioner Galassi brought up literacy for adults.

Library Director Vinke reported he has met up with the South Bay Literacy Council a few times this year and they have had some interactions at the library as well as provided literacy instruction to adults; stated he is hoping to establish a more formal relationship with them for the Redondo Beach libraries; reported they are a non-profit organization and their goal is adult literacy and they welcome any volunteers.

Commissioner Galassi asked if there is any way to have a link under Community on the City's website that could go directly to the Historic Preservation Program.

Library Director Vinke said he could get that communicated.

Chair Maroko commented that everything they do does not need a staff report, noted that if they agendaize an item they can't discuss it until it's put on the agenda and that can take months; wondered if they could use a Commissioner Report to agendaize an item so they can discuss it sooner and decide if it is worth pursuing.

Library Director Vinke mentioned the Commission did that with the Dawidziak dedication and so it is possible; stated ideally if there is a particular item that is not designated to a committee but the Commission wants to agendaize it, they can work with him, as Liaison, on a timeline to bring it forward and try to include a departmental liaison if possible; confirmed that a Staff Report is not needed.

Chair Maroko spoke about the Google doc they have created with all the different projects the Commission is working on and felt that if they could agendaize them it would keep it there for them to discuss, or seek guidance from the Commission on next steps, or they can present it to staff for their guidance; asked if there was a way to do that so they could keep things moving forward.

Library Director Vinke requested to take it under advisement; reported that staff did review the minutes, created a list, and have been working with the departments to get feedback; noted that many of the items are in the process of being addressed or have been addressed already; stated that the Commission had made a lot of progress on projects and has been effective at balancing working with the staff.

Chair Maroko asked if there is some way the Community Development Department can provide the Commission with the materials before the agenda is published regarding the Notice of Public Hearing posted on people's homes so they can study it and decide a plan of action; noted that since it is already public information they would not be violating the Brown Act.

Library Director Vinke responded that he would need to confirm with the department but felt it would be a good idea.

O. ADJOURNMENT – 9:16 P.M.

Motion by Commissioner Galassi, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, to adjourn at 9:16 p.m. to the next meeting of the Redondo Beach Public Amenities Commission, which will be a Regular Meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. on November 12, 2025, in the Redondo Beach Council Chambers, at 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach

Motion carried 5-0-2 by voice vote. Commissioner Caldwell and Yousufzai were absent.

Respectfully submitted:

Dana Vinke
Library Director



Administrative Report

F.3., File # PA25-1560

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

To: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
From: DANA VINKE, PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE
RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Library Director's Report – November 2025

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

Technical Services Librarian, Tim Parker and Youth Services Librarian, Lisa Juarez attended the California Library Association Conference 2025 in Riverside on Friday, October 24. The Conference is an annual gathering of California library professionals offering workshops, peer-led sessions, vendor exhibits and networking opportunities.

Facilities

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

Services

Library staff held a meeting with The Library Corporation representatives to demonstrate the Library•Solution (ILS) for Wednesday October 22nd at noon.

Director Vinke and Technical Services Librarian, Tim Parker continued to work with cashless payment processor, Cantaloupe to discuss a possible cashless payment system for public Library copiers, printers, and scanners.

New Redondo Beach Public Library cards are now available, featuring a refreshed design and the City's updated logo.

Displays

The Library prepared a display celebrating Native American Heritage Month.

Programs

Library staff continued to plan and coordinate public programs for adult and youth for 2025 and 2026.

The Main Library hosted its second successful session of the new multi-generational program "CHECK-MATES" on Saturday, November 1, at 2:00 p.m. Participants paired up to enjoy and share the game of chess, with more than 60 attendees of all ages taking part.

The Youth Services Department held a very successful Halloween Spooktacular event on Friday, October 17 from 4:00pm to 5:15pm at the Main Library with over 200 in attendance.

Friends of the Library

Director Vinke attended the monthly Friends of the Library board meeting to update volunteers on Library operations, programs, and provide updates.

The Friends of the Library held a successful Pre-Holiday Book Sale for Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Main Library.

Open+

The Library held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Thursday, October 30, at 10:30 a.m. to celebrate the launch of the new Express Hours at the North Branch Library. More than thirty guests attended, including the Mayor, City Council members, Commissioners, and Department Heads. Following the ceremony, attendees enjoyed a demonstration of the new service and a guided tour of the library. Refreshments were generously provided by the Friends of the Library.

Positions

The Library is currently recruiting for part-time Adult and Youth Librarian positions. In addition, the Library is reviewing applicants for the Library Manager and part-time Library Clerk roles. All open City recruitments can be viewed on the City of Redondo Beach Human Resources Department webpage.

REDONDO BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY
PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
Statistics 2025-2026

	GATE COUNT	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
2025-26	MAIN LIBRARY	14,492	14,743	14,796	14,300									58,331
	NORTH BRANCH	5,908	4,666	4,168	4,143									18,885
	TOTAL	20,400	19,409	18,964	18,443	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	77,216
2024-25	MAIN LIBRARY	11,925	14,168	13,728	14,006	10,890	9,617	14,231	12,436	13,424	14,812	13,862	13,899	156,998
	NORTH BRANCH	4,593	4,032	4,014	4,096	3,297	2,780	3,615	3,513	3,886	3,831	3,852	3,641	45,150
	TOTAL	16,518	18,200	17,742	18,102	14,187	12,397	17,846	15,949	17,310	18,643	17,714	17,540	202,148
	REGISTRATION													
2025-26	MAIN LIBRARY	548	522	520	466									2056
	NORTH BRANCH	10	2	3	5									20
	TOTAL	558	524	523	471	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2076
2024-25	MAIN LIBRARY	502	495	456	402	374	297	470	379	430	396	382	547	5130
	NORTH BRANCH	12	5	6	7	6	2	4	3	2	3	3	4	57
	TOTAL	514	500	462	409	380	299	474	382	432	399	385	551	5187
	CIRCULATION													
2025-26	MAIN LIBRARY	27,608	25,219	22,561	22,131									97,519
	NORTH BRANCH	8,909	7,810	6,884	6,731									30,334
	TOTAL	36,517	33,029	29,445	28,862	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	127,853
2024-25	MAIN LIBRARY	25,969	25,207	22,461	22,833	20,852	17,736	19,946	19,817	22,915	22,238	18,690	23,860	262,524
	NORTH BRANCH	9,771	8,321	8,036	7,749	7,581	5,800	6,209	6,289	7,391	6,740	6,343	7,414	87,644
	TOTAL	35,740	33,528	30,497	30,582	28,433	23,536	26,155	26,106	30,306	28,978	25,033	31,274	350,168

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						
ADULT PARTICIPANTS	166	21	55	26	166	35	134	35						
TEEN PROGRAMS	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1						
TEEN PARTICIPANTS	11	17	35	2	23	21	31	20						
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	23	13	16	11	19	9	18	9						
CHILD PARTICIPANTS	609	439	609	534	466	214	707	201						
OFFSITE	6	0	5	0	5	0	1	0						
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS	505	0	1,845	0	365	0	0	0						
TOTAL PROGRAMS	30	16	28	14	35	14	29	12						
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	875	477	2,544	562	1,020	270	872	256						
	JANUARY		FEBRUARY		MARCH		APRIL		MAY		JUNE		TOTAL	
	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH	MAIN	NORTH		
ADULT PROGRAMS													38	
ADULT PARTICIPANTS													638	
TEEN PROGRAMS													11	
TEEN PARTICIPANTS													160	
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS													118	
CHILD PARTICIPANTS													3,779	
OFFSITE													17	
OFFSITE PARTICIPANTS													2715	
TOTAL PROGRAMS													178	
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS													6,876	

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	1,200	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	1,780	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	1,996	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	1,440	0	0	0	3,540	
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	2,222	262	2,165	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									11,598
Ebooks	870	834	729	742									3,175
Eaudiobooks	904	859	861	874									3,498
Magazines	1,143	1,215	1,180	1,384									4,922
Other/Video	0	0	1	2									3
Hoopla	2,772	2,820	2,655	2,640									10,887
Ebooks	1,119	1,099	1,030	1,026									4,274
Eaudiobooks	988	1,026	934	972									3,920
Bingepass	46	54	48	46									194
Comics	227	263	289	254									1,033
Movies	199	183	188	161									731
Music	80	79	74	93									326
Television	113	116	92	88									409
Kanopy	699	736	533	739									2,707
Total													25,192

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

November Library Events

CHILDREN'S CRAFT & LEGO PROGRAMS

Craft @ MAIN LIBRARY

Meeting Room - 2nd Floor

Tuesday, 11/4 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

Lego Club @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Meeting Room

Thursday, 11/6 at 3:30pm-4:30pm

Lego Club @ MAIN LIBRARY

Meeting Room - 2nd Floor

Monday, 11/10 & 11/17 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Craft @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Meeting Room

Thursday, 11/13 at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS@MAIN LIBRARY

Music Together Monday

Monday, 11/3 at 11:30am-Noon - Meeting Room Floor 2

Rainbow Storytime

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

Dos Idiomas, Un Libro: Bilingual Spanish Storytime

Wednesdays, 11/5; 11/12 & 11/19 at 4:15pm-4:45pm
Storytime Room

Waku Waku Bilingual Storytime

Thursday, 11/20 at 4:00pm-4:30pm - Storytime Room

STORYTIMES & SPECIAL PROGRAMS @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Family Storytime for ages 2-6

Tuesdays, 11/4 & 11/18 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Music and Movement with Dance 1

Wednesday, 11/12 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Bilingual Storytime with NIHAO Chinese School

Monday, 11/17 at 3:30pm - 4:00pm

Children's Book Week November 3-9

Visit either branch to get a free Dog Man mini-poster and enter for a chance to win a Dav Pilkey book. One poster per patron while supplies last.

RUMBLE:

THE INDIANS WHO ROCKED THE WORLD

Saturday, November 22 at 1:00pm-3:00pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

Lovers of rock and roll may be surprised to learn about Native American influence in popular music. In a tribute to *Native American Heritage Month*, we are showing this award winning documentary film.

College Prep 101

With Tech Trek Alumnae Group
American Association of University
Women

Saturday, November 15 at 1:30pm-3:30pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Meeting Room

The program is for students and parents who want to know more about the path to attending college. Guest speakers including guidance counselors and representatives from local colleges and universities will be on site to answer questions.

Learn more at techtrek@aauw-ca.org

DROP-IN NOVEL WRITING PROGRAM

Saturday, November 15 - Noon-4:00pm

Main Library - 2nd Floor Conference Room

Join us and come prepared to write on your own computer or by hand. Volunteers are on site to provide community and encourage you to transform novel writing into an achievable and fun endeavor. You don't need to stay the whole time, this is a drop-in program.

Holiday Closures

November 11 – Veteran's Day

November 27 & November 28 - Thanksgiving Holiday

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November Library Events

FAMILY MOVIE @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY ***SPIRIT: STALLION OF THE CIMARRON***

Monday, November 10 at 1:00pm - 3:00pm

North Branch Library - Meeting Room

Enjoy this animated family movie in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

CHECK-MATES CHESS MEET-UP **@ MAIN LIBRARY**

NOVEMBER 1 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.

STORYTIMES - MAIN LIBRARY **

Storytime Room

Walkers & Talkers Storytime for 1-5 year-olds

Wednesdays, 11/5; 11/12 & 11/19 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, 11/6; 11/13 & 11/20 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!

TEEN PROGRAMS - Grades 6th - 12th

TAC Meeting - @ Main Library

Wednesday, 11/5 at 4:00pm-5:00pm

Teen Program - @ Main Library -Wicked Movie Sing-A-Long and caramel apple bar

Wednesday, 11/19 at 4:00pm-6:00pm

Teen Program @ North Branch Library - Wicked Movie Sing-A-Long and caramel apple bar

Thursday, 11/20 at 4:00pm-6:00pm

SHELF CARE BOOK CLUB @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Monday, November 24 at 11:15am – 12:15pm

***Cider House Rules* by John Irving**

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.*

POETRY WORKSHOP WITH LINDA NEAL

Saturday, November 8 at 10:30am - Noon

Main Library - 2nd Floor Conference Room

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

SOUTH WEST MANUSCRIPTERS WRITERS GROUP

Saturday, November 1 at 10:30am - Noon

Main Library - 2nd Floor Conference Room

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

FAMILY HOLIDAY WORKSHOP WITH VANESSA @ NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY**

Saturday, November 15 at 10:00am - Noon
North Branch Meeting Room

For ages 7 and up. Registration required. Go to: <https://library.redondo.org> click on events calendar; click on program date; click on register for this event. **Limit of 20 individuals.

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

Saturday, November 22 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.

STITCH & SEW REDONDO @NORTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Saturday, November 1 - 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.

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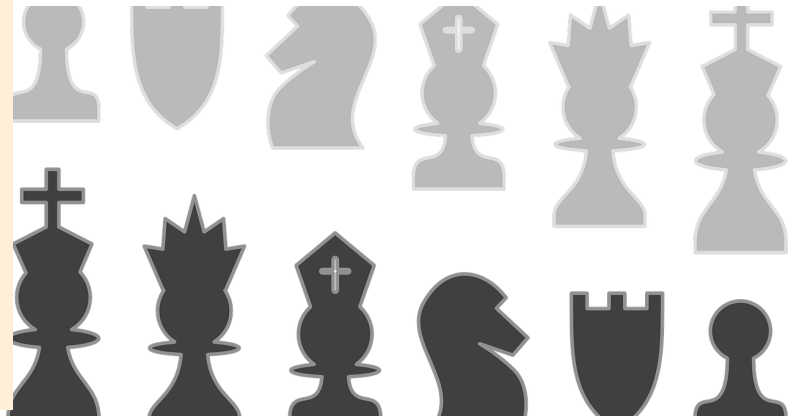
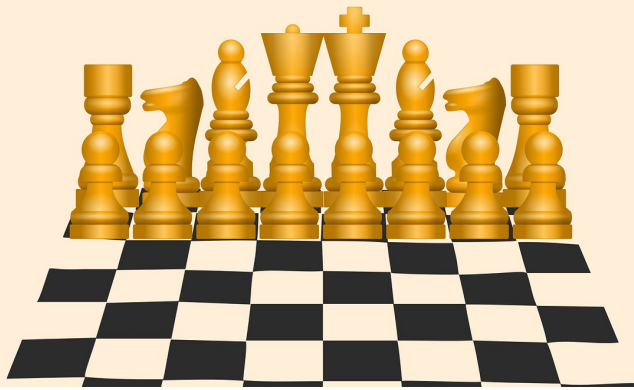


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CHECK-MATES

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.

Saturday, November 1
2:00pm – 3:30pm

Main Library
2nd Floor Meeting Room

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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
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COLLEGE PREP 101

more at
techtrek@aauw-ca.org
or email
ttagaauw@gmail.com

Tech Trek Alumnae Group
American Association of University Women

November 15 at 1:30pm-3:30pm **Main Library** **Meeting Room - Floor 2**

Guest Speakers including a high school guidance counselor and representatives from local colleges and universities including El Camino College; University of La Verne, California State University, Long Beach, and the Air Force Academy will discuss:

- ▶ Admissions Process
- ▶ Common Application & tips for application essays
- ▶ Financial Aid
- ▶ Scholarships

This program is for students and parents who want to know more about the path to attending college. There will be a brief Q/A session after each speaker, and a longer one at the conclusion of the program.



For more information, visit the information desk or www.redondo.org/library



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North Branch Holiday Workshop Series



Join RBPL and our friends Vanesa Andrade & Santiago Aulet as they guide us through a holiday workshop series at the North Branch!

Each workshop of this three part series will walk you through creating fun & whimsical items from recycled materials to add to your holiday decorations! Ages 7 & up are welcome!

Sponsored & funded by



Workshop # 1 Decorative Working Fireplace

Saturday, November 15th @10:00am-12:00pm

North Branch Meeting Room

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/holiday-workshop-1-tickets-1830694459409>

SIGN UP HERE



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Workshop # 2 Gingerbread House Ornament

Tuesday, December 9th @4:00pm-6:00pm

North Branch Meeting Room

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/holiday-workshop-2-tickets-1830700507499>



SIGN UP HERE



Workshop # 3 Multilayered Christmas Tree

Saturday, December 13th @10:00am-12:00pm

North Branch Meeting Room

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/holiday-workshop-3-tickets-1830703606769>

*Limit to 20 participants for each workshop
Registration is required*



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TEEN PROGRAM

Sing-along version!



MOVIE EVENT

Teens in grades 6th-12th are invited to get ready for the *Wicked* sequel by watching the first movie~sing-along style!

ALSO FEATURING A CARAMEL APPLE BAR. THIS EVENT WILL BE TOO GOOD!

Redondo Beach Main Library

2nd Floor Meeting Room

Wednesday, 11/19, 4:00-6:00 pm

North Branch Library

Thursday, 11/20, 4:00-6:00 pm



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STITCH & SEW REDONDO

Saturdays
October 4th
November 1st
December 6th

Who? People of all ages that sew, want to learn how to sew, or want to work on a project with fellow sewing enthusiasts!

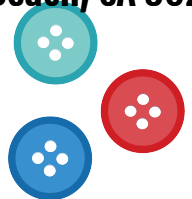
What? Stitch & Sew Redondo. A FREE monthly program at RBPL for those that want to sew!

Where? Meeting Room at North Branch Library, 2000 Artesia BLVD, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

When? FIRST Saturday of every month @ 11am -2pm

Why? Learning a new skill is fun!

Materials are NOT provided. Participants are encouraged to bring items or projects they are currently working on to the program to get tips or pointers. Also, feel free to bring items that could be upcycled or traded!



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Administrative Report

F.4., File # PA25-1537

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

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):

Fall Classes, Camps, & Activities

Registration for fall classes, camps, and activities is ongoing. All activities can be viewed on the City's website:

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

Wilderness Pond Lower Pond Restoration Project

Restoration of the lower pond is continuing and is anticipated to be completed later this fall. The area surrounding the project site will be temporarily closed to the public.

Upcoming Events & Activities

- **Story Time in the Park** - enjoy a free, family-friendly story and activity for all ages on November 19 from 1:00 to 1:45pm at Wilderness Park.
- **Holiday Tree Lighting** - the 45th annual holiday tree lighting event will take place in front of City Hall on Tuesday, December 9 starting at 4:30pm. This free event is open for all ages and will include music and performances.

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

Historical Museum

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

Facility Operations and Attendance (October 2025)

The museum was open on the following days: 4, 5, 8, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 23, 25, 26, and 29

The museum had a total guest count of 188 for the month.

General Updates

- On October 29, the Historical Museum and Morrell House, managed by the Redondo Beach Historical Society (RBHS), hosted a Halloween-themed day of activities including decorations, costume contest, and treats. Attached are photos from the event.
- Staff have completed a comprehensive inventory of the museum collection, including items stored at the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center (RBPAC).
- Vast quantity of post cards and reproductions of post cards (a great many the contribution of Commission Chair Ron Maroko) are being sorted and filed in archival acid-free sleeves and organized into binders for public viewing and research.
- Continuing the development of a comprehensive list of items documented in accession records, but not yet located. Will likely need the assistance of the RBHS as some items in accession records are on display at Morrell House and need to be noted as "on loan".
- Museum docents have continued replacing old, faded, and difficult to read labels on artifacts on display, using consistent fonts commonly used in museums to improve overall professionalism of current displays
- Museum docent Katrina Clugston has created a shadow box display that celebrates accomplishments of Mary Davies, a long time Redondo Beach Business owner (Portofino Hotel), runner, and auto racer.
- Staff is researching document conservators for two items of historical significance that require higher quality archival, including:
 - Collage of congratulatory messages hand signed by all living Presidents of the United States at the time of Redondo Beach's 100th birthday
 - A recently found 1889 deed of sale of property from three of the daughters of Manuel Dominguez, to the Redondo Beach Company.
- Staff are investigating ways to attach more items to walls/ceiling to enable additional display space
- Two of the three budgeted Ito Family Open Space historical markers are currently being designed. Staff is awaiting final text from Chairperson Maroko for the third marker.
- The City has converted the museum's track lighting to low/no UV-emitting LED lighting, which is important for protecting photos, paintings, and other vulnerable artifacts.
- The City has repaired the integral lighting in one of the display cases and continues analyzing the needs of additional display cases.
- The City has installed backlights behind the St. James Church stained glass windows, enhancing the display.

ATTACHMENTS

Historical Museum and Morrell House Halloween Event Photos

Historical Museum and Morrell House

2025 Halloween Events and Activities





Administrative Report

F.5., File # PA25-1565

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

To: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
From: DANA VINKE, PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE AMENDED ORDINANCES UPDATING SECTIONS OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 3298-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 2, CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 1, SECTIONS 2-9.100, 2-9.101, 2-9.102, 2-9.103, 2-9.106, 2-9.107 AND 2-9.109 AND ADDING SECTIONS 2-9.110 AND 2-9.111 AND DELETING IN ITS ENTIRETY SECTION 2-9.108 PERTAINING TO UNIFORM REGULATIONS OF COMMISSIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Redondo Beach employs a number of Commissions that serve as advisory and decision-making bodies that provide public input and expertise to the City Council on specific areas of interest; and

WHEREAS, the role of the Commissions has evolved through the years; and

WHEREAS, several sections of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code sections related to the City's Commissions have become outdated and no longer reflect the role they play for the City; and

WHEREAS, the evolution of Commission-related ordinances has resulted in duplicative and conflicting elements that complicate operations and are in need of revisions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to clearly define the role of each commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to ensure the Redondo Beach Municipal Code accurately reflects the needs served by each Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to eliminate conflicting elements of the Commission-related ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to clearly define objective attendance requirements for Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 2-9.100 Appointment and terms of members.

(a) The members of each board and commission shall serve for a term of four years, commencing October 1 and ending September 30 or as soon thereafter as his or her successor is appointed and qualified.

(b) The members of each board and commission shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council, within 60 days after the expiration of the four-year term or within 60 days after a vacancy occurs. If the Mayor shall have failed to make an appointment within such period, any member of the City Council may nominate an eligible person to fill such vacancy. Four affirmative votes of the City Council to appoint such nominated person shall result in the appointment. Any appointment to fill an unexpired term shall be for such unexpired period.

(c) A term of four years is a full term and a term of less than four years is a partial term. No person shall serve on the same board or commission after serving two full terms on that board or commission. If a person serves a partial term that exceeds two years, or serves more than one partial term that cumulatively exceeds two years, (excluding any leap day), it shall be considered a full term for the purpose of this provision. No member of a board or commission shall serve simultaneously on more than one board or commission, or as an elected or appointed official, or City employee, of the City of Redondo Beach.

(d) Where practical, at least one member of each board and commission should be appointed from each Council district, with qualifications for appointment prioritized over district residency.

(e) If a section related to the appointment and terms of members of a specific board or commission differs from this section, the section related to the appointment and terms of members of the specific board or commission shall prevail.”

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.101 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 2-9.101 Organization meetings, chairperson, meeting cancelations.

(a) Each board or commission shall meet as soon after the first day of October of every year as practical for the purpose of organizing. At such organization meeting, or in the first meeting after a vacancy in the chairperson or vice chair position is declared, the boards and commissions shall organize themselves by electing one of its members to serve as chairperson and one member to serve as vice chair for the ensuing year. Commissions may elect a new Chair/Vice Chair at any time, but, at a minimum, a Chair/Vice Chair must be elected annually, as described above. Each board or commission shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month, subject to the meeting cancelation procedures in subdivision (c) of this section. In addition to any such regular meetings, each board and commission, upon approval of a majority, may hold whatever special meetings may be necessary or convenient to dispose of business within its jurisdiction without delay, with the approval of the City Council, City Manager, or staff

liaison with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager. All proceedings of any board or commission shall be open to the public.

(b) Commissions may form subcommittees on subject matters within their jurisdiction, and subject to the rights and powers granted to the Commission, by a motion approved by the majority of the commission. Any subcommittee formed shall be comprised of less than the number of commission members that would constitute a quorum of the commission under the Brown Act (defined as the Ralph M. Brown Act, California Government Code sections 54950, *et seq.*, and as otherwise amended and codified under California law). The subcommittee must have a defined termination date and/or terminate upon the completion of a specified task or purpose. Each commission may, by a motion approved by the majority, empower a subcommittee to report back to the commission regarding its subcommittee deliberations during public session and/or empower the subcommittee to produce written materials and/or an oral report for staff, the City Council, and/or another City commission. With the approval of the City Council, City Manager, or staff liaison with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager, the subcommittee may represent the commission in a public meeting of another public agency.

(c) Regular meetings may only be canceled (i) for an anticipated lack of business or a quorum by a majority vote of commissioners or members, and only during the regular meeting that immediately precedes the meeting to be canceled, or (ii) for an anticipated lack of business or a quorum, or other unforeseen circumstances, by the staff liaison with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager. The staff liaison or City Manager shall inform the City Council and Mayor of the cancellation and the reason(s) for it. In order to cancel a meeting, the commissioners or members must publicly vote to cancel the next scheduled meeting during the "Adjournment" item on the commission agenda. No future meetings beyond the next scheduled meeting may be canceled in advance."

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.102 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§ 2-9.102 Procedure.

The following procedure shall be followed by boards and commissions, at public meetings:

(a) Each member of a board or commission who is present for a vote shall vote unless the member states the reasons for abstaining for the record.

(b) City staff shall maintain a true and correct record of all proceedings of all boards or commission and ensure such records are available to the public through the City Clerk's office."

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.103 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§ 2-9.103 Proceedings.

Each board or commission shall conduct its public meetings in accordance with the Redondo Beach Municipal Code and City Council Rules of Conduct and Decorum.”

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.106 is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“§ 2-9.106 Membership eligibility.

Membership on any City board or commission shall be limited to residents who are registered voters of the City, with the exception of the Youth Commission as defined in Article 6 of this chapter. Each commission may have additional eligibility and qualification requirements as specified by the sections governing each commission.”

SECTION 6. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.107 is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“§ 2-9.107 Vacancies.

(a) In the following instances a board member or commissioner’s position shall automatically become vacant and so declared by the City Council if the board member or commissioner:

- (1) Resigns;
- (2) Informs the Mayor and City Council in writing that they are unable to fulfill their term for any reason;
- (3) Is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude;
- (4) Ceases to be a legally registered voter of the City;
- (5) Ceases to reside in the City of Redondo Beach;
- (6) Is removed by the City Council pursuant to Section 2-9.109;
- (7) Is absent from three regular meetings of such board or commission during any twelve (12) month period of time after October 1, 2025. For the purposes of determining absences, a board or commission member shall not be deemed absent if a meeting is canceled, unless the board or commission member’s absence was the cause of the meeting’s cancelation due to lack of quorum;
- (8) Dies; or

(9) Is adjudicated to be physically or mentally incapacitated due to disease, illness, or accident, and that there is reasonable cause to believe that they will not be able to perform their duties for the remainder of their term.

(b) Vacancies occurring in any board or commission shall be filled in the manner set forth in Section 2-9.100.”

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.108 is hereby repealed in its entirety:

SECTION 8. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.109 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§2.9-109 General Powers and Duties

The members of each board and commission may be removed from office by a vote of the majority of all members of the Council upon any grounds including but not limited to those described in §2.9-111 and/or those sections related to specific commissions.

SECTION 9. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.110 is hereby added in its entirety to read as follows:

“§2.9-110 General Powers and Duties

(a) All commissions shall provide advice to the City Council on matters within their jurisdiction as defined in the respective sections addressing each commission’s powers and duties. This is the primary duty of all commissions.

(b) Commissions shall provide advice on matters assigned to the commission by the Redondo Beach Municipal Code, the City Council, City Manager, or staff liaison with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager.

(c) Commissions shall provide advice to the City Council on annual budgets and strategic plans prior to the City Council’s deliberations on these matters.

(d) Commissions may, under the “Commission Member Items and Future Commission Agenda Topics” section of the commission’s meeting agenda, advise the City Council on a matter if: 1) a commissioner moves to agendize the item, another commissioner seconds the motion and the commission approves agendizing the matter by majority vote; and 2) it is a matter that falls within the jurisdiction, powers and duties of the commission; and 3) the staff liaison, with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager, agrees. On matters in which the staff liaison disagrees with the commission, the commission may, by majority vote, seek the City Council’s determination as to the appropriateness of the commission’s proposed action. The staff liaison or City Manager shall inform the City Council and Mayor of the disagreement and the commission’s request.

(e) Commissions may have additional powers and duties as defined in the sections related to each commission.”

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 1, Section 2-9.111 is hereby added in its entirety to read as follows:

“§2.9-111 Limited and Restricted Scope of Powers and Duties of Commissions:

Except as otherwise provided in the Redondo Beach Municipal Code and/or those sections related to specific commissions:

(a) Each commission is a reviewing and advising/recommending body only; and

(b) Each commission and each commissioner shall have no power, duty, responsibility, role or authority to:

(1) Demand that any particular City staff, personnel, contractor, elected or appointed official, or any other person or entity participate in or appear before a meeting of the commission or undertake any action or omission;

(2) Demand that any documents or information be provided to or generated for the commission;

(3) Direct, interfere with or participate in, the operations or management of any City department, staff, personnel, or contractor;

(4) Review, evaluate, investigate, or comment upon matters that are solely within the duties and functions of any other commissions or committees, unless directed to do so by the City Council, City Manager or staff liaison with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager;

(5) Review, evaluate, investigate, or comment upon individual complaints involving any City department, personnel, contractor, elected or appointed officials or others;

(6) Represent to be acting for on behalf of the City, its staff, personnel, or contractors;

(7) Commit the officers, employees, staff, or elected or appointed officials of the City to a specific position or to any course of action, and may not make referrals to City staff, except as authorized by specific sections governing the commission or if specifically directed by the City Council;

(8) Act in an oversight role of any City function, department or over any elected or appointed positions;

(9) Assert any power, authority, or privileges through the use of their title or appointed position in any context other than that which is allowed by the Redondo Beach Municipal Code.

(c) Commissioners who violate, or other fail to abide with, this section may be removed by the City Council in accordance with Title 2, Chapter 9, section 2-9.109.”

SECTION 11. Any provisions of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City inconsistent herewith, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 12. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 13. This ordinance shall be published by one insertion in the official newspaper of said city or published in conformance with the alternative publication requirements pursuant to Redondo Beach City Charter §9.15 and same shall go into effect and be in full force and operation from and after thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2025.

James A. Light, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Joy A. Ford, City Attorney

Eleanor Manzano, CMC, City Clerk

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

I, Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk of the City of Redondo Beach, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 3298-25 was duly introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 7th day of October, 2025, and was duly approved and adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 14th day of October, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 3304-25

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 2,
CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 15, SECTIONS 2-9.1502 AND 2-
9.1503 PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC AMENITIES
COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the City of Redondo Beach employs a number of Commissions that serve as advisory and decision-making bodies that provide public input and expertise to the City Council on specific areas of interest; and

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WHEREAS, several sections of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code sections related to the City's Commissions have become outdated and no longer reflect the role they play for the City; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 15, Section 2-9.1502 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 2-9.1502 Appointment of members.

(a) Membership. The Commission shall consist of seven members. Unless otherwise authorized by the City Council, one member shall be appointed from each Council district and two members shall be appointed at large.

(b) To the extent practicable, three members shall be appointed from among professionals in the disciplines of architecture, history, architectural history, urban planning, archeology, or other historic preservation or related disciplines, such as American Studies, American Civilization, cultural geography, or anthropology. All members of the Public Amenities Commission shall have a demonstrated interest, competence, experience, or knowledge in historic preservation, art and literature, and the cultural heritage of the City.”

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 2, Chapter 9, Article 15, Section 2-9.1503 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 2-9.1503 Powers and duties.

The Public Amenities Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

(a) Historical resource and amenities powers and duties:

- (1) Provide recommendations related to public access to historical information, documents, records and pictures of the City of Redondo Beach;
- (2) Recommend public information, educational, interpretive programs pertaining to historic resources;
- (3) Make recommendations on the content of public plaques, signs and similar displays at properties with documented historic resources in the City of Redondo Beach.
- (4) Recommend historic sites, buildings, etc. for application of historic site designations and placards. Upon approval by the City Council, support the appropriate application documents and filings.

(b) Preservation program and ordinance duties:

- (1) Conduct public hearings, and make decisions regarding proposed designations and removal of designations of landmarks and historic districts;
- (2) Review and advise the City Council on the currentness and completeness of the City’s register of landmarks and historic districts within the City;
- (3) Recommend appropriate system of markers for landmarks and historic districts;
- (4) Adopt prescriptive standards to be used by the Commission in reviewing Certificates of Appropriateness;
- (5) Review and render decisions regarding significant alterations, demolition, removal, and relocation proposals related to landmarks and properties within

historic districts in conjunction with applications for Certificates of Appropriateness pursuant to Chapter 4 of Title 10 of this Code;

(6) Review and make recommendations on various preservation-related documents intended to assist the owners of historic resources and the Commission in their review of applications. These may include a general information booklet describing historic styles, a rehabilitation manual or design guidelines;

(7) Recommend to the City Council a program of incentives for preservation of historic resources;

(8) Investigate and report to the City Council on the use of various Federal, State, local or private funding resources and mechanisms available to promote historic resource preservation within the City;

(9) Review and comment upon proposed modifications in regulation regarding land use, housing and redevelopment, municipal improvement, and other types of planning and programs undertaken by any agency of the City, the County or State, which directly affect landmarks and historic districts;

(10) Recommend consultants and studies, as the Commission deems desirable or necessary to conduct its role, and pending City Council approval to retain such consultants and studies, the Commission shall review the resulting work product;

(11) Cooperate with other local, County, State and Federal Government in the pursuit of the objectives of historic preservation;

(12) Provide written responses to requests from property owners seeking findings under the Preservation Ordinance related to the alteration, restoration, landscaping or maintenance of any historic resource within the City;

(c) Recreation and Parks duties:

(1) Act as adviser to the City Council in all matters pertaining to public recreation programs, including playgrounds and public recreation related entertainment;

(2) Review and provide recommendations to the City Council on the annual budget related to recreational programming across the City through the City Manager.

(3) Provide recommendations related to the development of recreation in the City, help stimulate public interest in such recreation program, and collaborate with schools located in the City and all other agencies relative to securing and developing a full and complete recreational programs;

(d) Library duties:

(1) Evaluate and provide recommendations for the development, extension, maintenance, and improvement of library facilities and library programs in the City.

(e) Any other duties or responsibilities as directed by City Council, City Manager, or staff liaison with the approval and/or at the direction of the City Manager."

SECTION 3. Any provisions of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City inconsistent herewith, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be published by one insertion in the official newspaper of said city or published in conformance with the alternative publication requirements pursuant to Redondo Beach City Charter §9.15 and same shall go into effect and be in full force and operation from and after thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2025.

James A. Light, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Joy A. Ford, City Attorney

Eleanor Manzano, CMC, City Clerk

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

I, Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk of the City of Redondo Beach, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 3304-25 was duly introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 7th day of October, 2025, and was duly approved and adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 14th day of October, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 3305-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLES 1, 3, 4, 5 AND 6, SECTIONS 10-4.104, 10-4.302, 10-4.304, 10-4.307, 10-4.308, 10-4.309, 10-4.310, 10-4.404, 10-4.501 and 10-4.601 PERTAINING TO HISTORIC RESOURCES PRESERVATION

WHEREAS, the City of Redondo Beach employs a number of Commissions that serve as advisory and decision-making bodies that provide public input and expertise to the City Council on specific areas of interest; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council desires to eliminate conflicting elements of the Commission-related ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to clearly define objective attendance requirements for Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 1, Section 10-4.104 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.104 Definitions.

For the purpose of this chapter, unless otherwise apparent from the context, certain words and phrases are defined as follows:

"Alteration" means any exterior change or modification of any landmark or of any improvement located on a property within an historic district including, but not limited to, exterior changes to or modifications of an improvement, or a structure or any of its architectural details or visual characteristics, including paint color and surface texture, grading, surface paving, and new structures.

Alteration, minor. "Minor alteration" means an alteration that has been determined to have limited potential to affect the defining character and architectural style of the subject structure or resource. In no case shall minor alterations include actions involving new construction or full or partial demolition of a resource, or actions requiring approval on the basis of a finding of economic hardship.

"Certificate of appropriateness" means a certificate approving such plans, specifications, design, or statements of work, for any proposed alteration, restoration, demolition, removal, or relocation, in whole or in part, of or to improvements relative to landmarks or any property within a historic district.

"Commission" means the Public Amenities Commission established by Chapter 9, Title 2 of this Code.

"Contributing building" means a building within an historic district that has a special character, special historic or aesthetic interest or value, and is incorporated into the district for that reason.

"Demolition" means any acts that destroy in whole or in part, a building, structure, or improvement.

"Exterior architectural feature" means the architectural style, design, general arrangement, components, natural features and all the outer surfaces of an improvement, including, but not limited to, the kind and texture of the building material, the type and style of all windows, doors, lights, signs, walls, fences, and other fixtures appurtenant to such improvement.

"Historic district" may be a geographic district or a thematic district. A "geographic district" means any geographic area, such as one or more blocks or block faces containing a multiple number of historically significant resources within the area. A "thematic district" means a compilation of historic resources that are not geographically linked, but rather are linked by similar characteristics that can be clearly articulated. In either kind of district the resources collectively have a special character or special historic, cultural, architectural, archeological, community or aesthetic value, or represent one or more architectural periods or styles typical to the history of the City. The resources may or may not have individual merit, but rather are significant because of qualification in a district.

"Historic resource" means any improvement, building, structure, landscape, sign, feature, site, place or area of scientific, aesthetic, educational, cultural, architectural, or historic significance to the citizens of the City.

"Improvement" means any building, structure, place, wall, fence, gate, sign, landscaping, or other object constituting a physical alteration of real property, or any part of such alteration.

"Landmark" means any improvement that has historical, cultural, aesthetic or architectural character or value, or which represents one or more architectural periods or styles typical to the history of the City and that has been designated as a landmark pursuant to this chapter.

"Minor Alterations Subcommittee" means a subcommittee of the Commission whose function is to review certificates of appropriateness involving minor alterations and to advise the Commission on matters of an architectural and design nature. The Minor Alterations Subcommittee shall consist of the following three members appointed by the chairperson of the Commission: the staff liaison to the Commission, and two members of the Commission, one of which shall be a professional from the field of architecture, if such a professional sits on the Commission.

"Noncontributing building" means a building within an historic district that does not possess the qualifications or characteristics of a contribution building due to such factors as age or alteration, but which has been included within the district because of its impact on the geographic integrity and overall character of the district.

"Ordinary maintenance" means any cleaning, painting, or similar work that does not result in the alteration of an improvement.

"Person" means any individual, association, partnership, firm, corporation, public agency, or political subdivision.

"Potential historic resource" means any improvement, building, structure, landscape, sign, feature, site, place or area that is: (1) listed in the City's Historic Resources Inventory with a National Register rating of 1-5 or a local survey rating of A or B; and/or (2) listed in the National Register of Historic Places or California Register; and/or (3) that has been evaluated pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act and determined by the Community Development Director to meet the criteria listed in (1) and/or (2) above.

"Relocation" means the displacement of any improvement within the same site.

"Removal" means the displacement of any improvement from the site.

"Restoration" means the act or process of accurately recovering the form and details of a property and its setting as it appeared at a particular period of time by means of the removal of later work or by the replacement of missing earlier work."

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 10-4.302 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.302 Minimum eligibility requirements, landmark.

In order to be eligible for consideration as a landmark, an historic resource must be at least 50 years old; with the exception that an historic resource of at least 30 years of age may be eligible if the Commission determines that the resource is very exceptional, or that it is threatened by demolition, removal, relocation, or inappropriate alteration.”

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 10-4.304 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.304 Minimum eligibility requirements, historic district.

In order to be eligible for consideration as an historic district, at least 75% of the buildings in the proposed district (excluding accessory buildings) must be at least 50 years old or otherwise meet the requirement of Section 10-4.302. In addition, no more than 25% of the buildings in the proposed district (excluding accessory buildings) may be noncontributing. Noncontributing buildings may be included as part of an historic district only to the extent that the Commission determines them to be essential to the geographic integrity of the district. The Commission shall make determinations identifying any noncontributing buildings within an historic district as part of the review process.”

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 10-4.307 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.307 Owner’s withdrawal of consent.

A property owner who has signed an application for inclusion of his or her property in a proposed historic district may withdraw such consent by filing a written notice of withdrawal with the City Clerk at any time prior to the close of the public hearing thereon before the Commission or before the City Council on appeal, if any.”

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 10-4.308 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.308 Commission study and determination.

Upon acceptance of a completed application for the designation of a landmark or historic district, a public hearing shall be scheduled before the Commission to study the proposed designation and to determine its eligibility and qualifications. Following the public hearing, the Commission shall decide to approve, in whole or in part, or disapprove the designation. All decisions to approve or disapprove designations shall be made by resolution, and shall set forth the findings and reasons relied upon in making the determination.”

SECTION 6. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 10-4.309 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.309 Notice of designation, City departments.

Notice of the designation of a landmark or an historic district shall be transmitted to all appropriate City departments and any other interested governmental and civic agencies. Each City department shall incorporate the notice of designation into its records, so that future decisions or permissions regarding or affecting a landmark or historic district shall be made with the knowledge of the designation. For projects to be carried out by the City, or subject to discretionary approval by the City, that have a direct adverse effect on a landmark or properties within an historic district as determined by the responsible department, notice shall be given to the Commission. The Commission may review such projects and provide comments and recommendations to the reviewing or decisionmaking body.”

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 3, Section 10-4.310 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.310 Removal of designation.

(a) In the event of substantial destruction of a landmark or historic district, the owner or owners of a landmark or owners representing a majority or controlling interest in a minimum of 51% of the parcels in an historic district may apply for removal of designation. The Commission or City Council may also initiate removal in such circumstances. The removal of a designation for this reason shall be processed and decided in the same manner as designations as set forth in this article, with the additional requirement that the determination of substantial destruction shall be set forth in the findings of the Commission.

(b) The complete demolition or removal of a landmark shall result in the removal of the landmark designation.

(c) Once a landmark or historic district designation has been removed, affected properties shall no longer be subject to any provision or regulation of this chapter.”

SECTION 8. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 4, Section 10-4.404 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.404 Certificate of appropriateness for removal or demolition.

(a) Discretionary review of demolition permits. The demolition of a historic landmark, buildings in a historic district, or potential historic resource as described by this chapter is considered to be a discretionary permit and subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Permit Streamlining Act. Therefore, a demolition permit shall not be issued pursuant to Title 9, Chapter 17, until the requirements of Article 4 herein have been met.

(b) Demolition review and conditions.

(1) The demolition of a landmark, structure located within an historic district, or potential historic resource shall be referred to the Commission for review and conditions.

(2) Where appropriate, the Commission may require that a memorial of the resources be incorporated into the proposed redevelopment of the site. Some examples are a photographic display, a book or pamphlet, an exhibit, re-use of original fixtures, and other methods deemed appropriate by the Commission.

(c) Concurrent processing of demolition permits and replacement plans.

(1) No permit to wholly or partially demolish, remove or relocate a historic landmark, building in a historic district, or potential historic resource shall be considered unless accompanied by complete applications for approvals necessary for the proposed new construction on the site.

(2) A demolition permit may not be issued until the building permit for the replacement structure is issued.

(3) Staff may refer the request for the replacement structure to the Commission for advisory direction.

(4) Exceptions may be granted to this section when compelled by public safety due to eminent hazard as determined by the Chief Building Official.

(d) Criteria for approval of certificates of appropriateness. The Commission, or the City Council upon appeal, shall issue a certificate of appropriateness only when it determines the following conditions to exist as applicable in each case:

(1) In the case of the whole or partial demolition or removal of a landmark or structure located within an historic district:

a. The structure and/or site is a hazard to public health or safety and repairs or stabilization are not physically possible; or

b. The site is required for a public use which will be of more benefit to the public than the historic resource, and there is no feasible alternative location for the public use; or

c. Removal of the resource to another site is not feasible or practical; or

d. For a building in an historic district, the proposed replacement structure will not detract from or adversely affect the character of the historic district; or

e. For a partial demolition or removal, such action will not result in the loss of the essential elements that make the resource significant.

(2) In the case where the applicant has requested consideration for approval of whole or partial demolition or removal on the basis of economic hardship:

a. It is not feasible to remove the resource to another site or otherwise preserve it; and

b. The denial of the proposed work will work an immediate and substantial hardship on the applicant because of condition peculiar to the particular improvement; and

c. The property cannot be put to a reasonable use or the owner cannot obtain a reasonable economic return therefrom without approval of the proposed work.”

SECTION 9. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 5, Section 10-4.501 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.501 Commission review of alterations.

Any alteration to be conducted at the site of a potential historic resource or district may be referred by staff to the Commission prior to commencing any such work when staff determines that such review will assist the property owner in maintaining the significance and/or architectural integrity of the resource and to address issues of appropriateness and designation. Certain alterations, listed below, are excluded:

(a) Repairing or replacing deteriorated materials with applications or use of exterior materials of the same kind, type, and texture already in use on the resource and/or consistent with the style or period for re-roofing, windows, siding material, chimneys and fireplaces;

(b) Accessory structures;

(c) Fencing; and/or

(d) Additions or deletions of awnings, shutters, canopies and similar incidental appurtenances.”

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 4, Article 6, Section 10-4.601 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

“§ 10-4.601 Appeals.

Any decision by the Commission to approve or disapprove a designation of a landmark or historic district, or to approve or disapprove a Certificate Of Appropriateness, or to remove or not remove a property from the potential historic resource list pursuant to Section 10-4.311, shall be final and conclusive unless, by 5:00 p.m. of the tenth (10th) day following such decision (or of the next working day if the tenth (10th) day falls on a weekend or holiday):

(a) A written appeal on the form designated by the City is filed by any interested party with the City Clerk requesting a public hearing before the City Council stating the grounds for the appeal and all required fees for said appeal are paid in full; or

(b) The Mayor or a member of the City Council requests a public hearing before the City Council stating the grounds for the appeal. Provided however that the City Council member or Mayor requesting the appeal shall disqualify him or herself from hearing the appeal unless he or she can certify in writing that the appeal is being requested as a result of public interest in the decision to be reviewed and he or she has no predisposition against or in favor of the project. The City Council as a whole shall be prohibited from voting to appeal any matter in which they will sit as the reviewing body.

Such appeal, or City Council request for a public hearing, shall be set for a public hearing by the City Clerk in a timely fashion.”

SECTION 11. Any provisions of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City inconsistent herewith, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 12. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 13. This ordinance shall be published by one insertion in the official newspaper of said city or published in conformance with the alternative publication requirements pursuant to Redondo Beach City Charter §9.15 and same shall go into effect and be in full force and operation from and after thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2025.

James A. Light, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Joy A. Ford, City Attorney

Eleanor Manzano, CMC, City Clerk

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

I, Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk of the City of Redondo Beach, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 3305-25 was duly introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 7th day of October, 2025, and was duly approved and adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 14th day of October, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk



Administrative Report

H.1., **File #** PA25-1561

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TITLE

For eComments and Emails Received from the Public

Public Amenities Commission on 2025-10-08 6:30 PM - CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

Meeting Time: 10-08-25 18:30

eComments Report

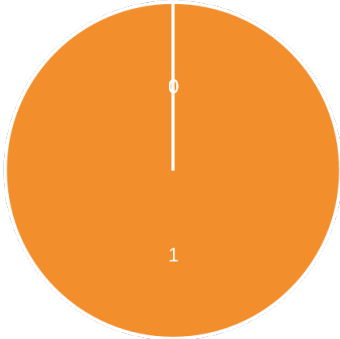
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Sentiments for All Meetings

The following graphs display sentiments for comments that have location data. Only locations of users who have commented will be shown.

Overall Sentiment

Support (0%) Oppose (100%) Neutral (0%)
No Response (0%)

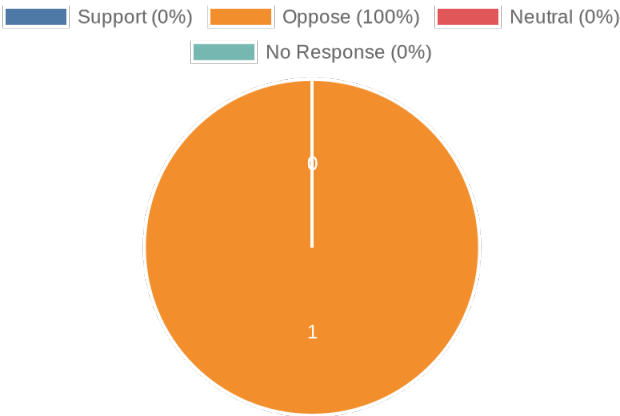


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H.1. PA25-1383 For eComments and Emails Received from the Public	1	0	1	0

Sentiments for All Agenda Items

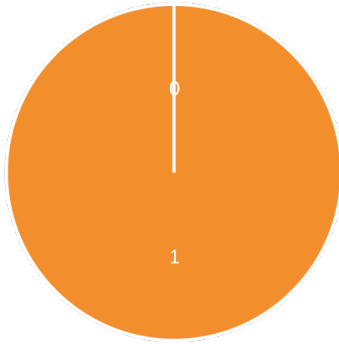
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Overall Sentiment



Overall Sentiment

Support (0%) Oppose (100%) Neutral (0%)
No Response (0%)



Jill Klausen

Location:

Submitted At: 2:17pm 10-08-25

There is no commenting enabled on the non-agenda items, so I'm leaving my comment here: I am OPPOSED to the tear down of the historic Ann Baker house for ANY reason, let alone to put up condos. It's just outrageous to even consider. No. Just no.



Administrative Report

L.1., File # PA25-1556

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
FROM: KELLY ORTA, DEPUTY COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

TITLE

RECEIVE AND FILE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE FRANKLIN PARK PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT PROJECT

PROVIDE INPUT FOR THE CITY COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION REGARDING THE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE PROPOSED FRANKLIN PARK PLAYGROUND

BACKGROUND

As part of the FY 2024-25 fiscal budget, the City Council allocated \$500,000 to replace the aging playground equipment at Franklin Park with an all-abilities playground structure. This would be the City's first inclusive playground for children with disabilities and other developmental challenges. To help guide the design of this unique play space, staff and Councilmember Kaluderovic, whose district includes Franklin Park, convened a stakeholder group of community members with meaningful ties to the project. The group includes park users; occupational therapists and other developmental professionals; parents and family members of children with disabilities; and Public Amenities Commissioners serving on the Franklin Park Playground Subcommittee, including Commissioners Lang, Caldwell, and Galassi. The stakeholder group has met throughout the past few months to develop and refine a play space that is engaging, provides a variety of elements that will appeal to children of all abilities, and takes advantage of the limited space.

Design

The proposed design for the playground includes a variety of features on the main structure, including low-level ramping, slides, a platform rocker, climbers, and sensory boards. Additional stand-alone elements were selected for the perimeter of the play space to fit as many engaging pieces as possible, including a spinner, sensory panels including chimes, and a colorful shadow-casting feature. Included as Attachment 1 is an aerial diagram of the proposed play space as well as concept image. Below is a concept image; additional images are included as Attachment 2.



The colors of the playground were carefully selected to be inviting and fun, but not too bright for those with visual sensitivities. The blue shade structures surrounding the play area are existing and would coordinate perfectly with the large shade structure in the center of the playground to develop a cohesive layout. The surrounding shade structures were provided by the same vendor, GameTime, so the design and colors will match seamlessly.

Funding

The City Council allocated \$500,000 in the FY 2024-25 fiscal budget for this project. Estimated costs for the proposed playground are approximately \$390,000, which is all-inclusive of the work necessary to complete this project including demolition of the existing playground equipment and surfacing; manufacturing of the new structure and equipment; and installation of equipment and surfacing.

In addition to the City's allocated funding, the LA Kings Foundation (Kings) has graciously donated \$75,000 to be used towards this project. Staff has worked closely with Kings representatives to develop an added component to the playground that is both interactive and provides a branding opportunity for the LA Kings. Throughout the playground, there would be a series of Kings crowns and paw prints to represent the LA Kings mascot, Bailey. Children can participate in a scavenger hunt throughout the playground to find all images, which adds an additional opportunity for inclusive play for children of all abilities. As an example, the image below shows the crowns on poles. Please note that this will not be the final design or placement for these items, but is merely used for example purposes.



Additionally, the City is the recipient of a grant from GameTime and the California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) that will provide a 50% discount off of the cost of the playground equipment. Specific to the elements included in the proposed design, the grant would provide a \$99,060 discount, which is already reflected in the \$390,000 cost for the project. The proposed playground is consistent with the terms of the grant, which requires the use of GameTime equipment. Since the existing shade structures surrounding the play area are GameTime products, sole sourcing the playground equipment to GameTime would provide consistency, both in the actual products and in aesthetics of the entire play space. Staff has been happy with its partnership with GameTime at Franklin Park and is confident that it could provide a high-quality playground for the community.

Considering available funding, staff anticipate this project to be completed under budget by approximately \$185,000.

Timeline

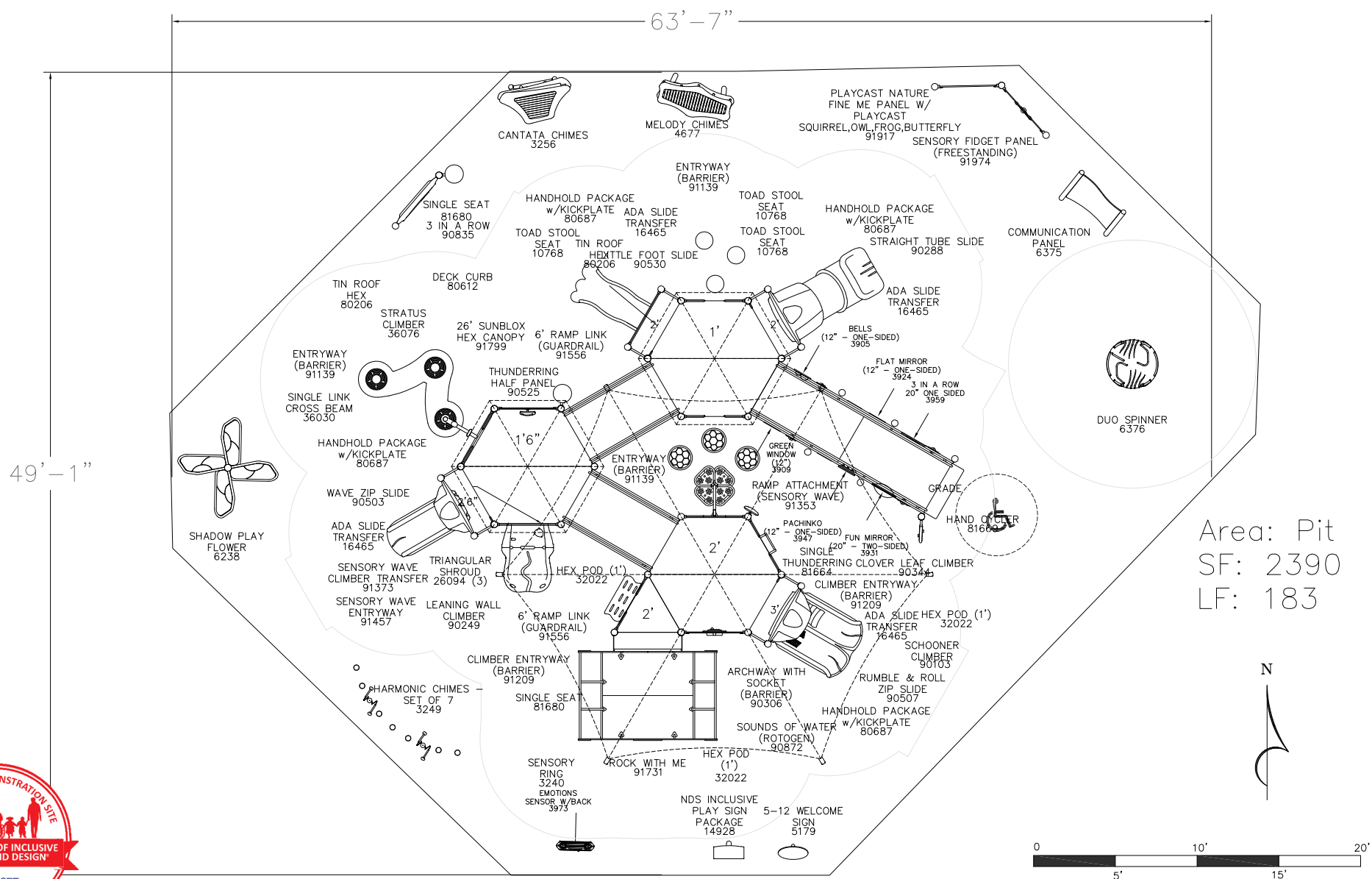
The estimated timeline for this project is approximately three months from the time of contract execution, pending unexpected shipping or installation delays. It takes six to eight weeks for manufacturing of the equipment, a few weeks for delivery, and four to five weeks for demolition and installation. Staff plan to take the proposed design and input from the Public Amenities Commission (Commission) to the City Council in December, which would provide staff the authority to begin developing the contract. Once completed, that will be taken back to the City Council for approval. Considering other projects that the city is working on coupled with the upcoming holidays, staff anticipate the playground to be replaced by late spring/early summer 2026.

Staff recommends the Commission receive and file the proposed Franklin Park playground design, and provide input that will be shared with the City Council during its upcoming review.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Franklin Park Playground Aerial Diagram

Proposed Franklin Park Playground Concept Images



City of Redondo Beach Franklin Park Playground Redondo Beach, CA Representative Great Western Recreation
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Total Elevated Play Components	13		
Total Elevated Play Components Accessible By Ramp	13	Required	8
Total Elevated Components Accessible By Transfer	13	Required	8
Total Accessible Ground Level Components Shown	7	Required	6
Total Different Types Of Ground Level Components	4	Required	3

This play equipment is recommended for children ages 5 - 12

Minimum Area Required:
-
Scale: -
This drawing can be
scaled only when in
an 18" x 24" format

IMPORTANT: Soft resilient surfacing should be placed in the use zones of all equipment, as specified for each type of equipment, and at depths to meet the critical fall heights as specified by the U.S. consumer Product Safety Commission, ASTM standard F 1487 and Canadian Standard CAN/CSA-Z-614

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FRANKLIN PARK PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Concept Images

























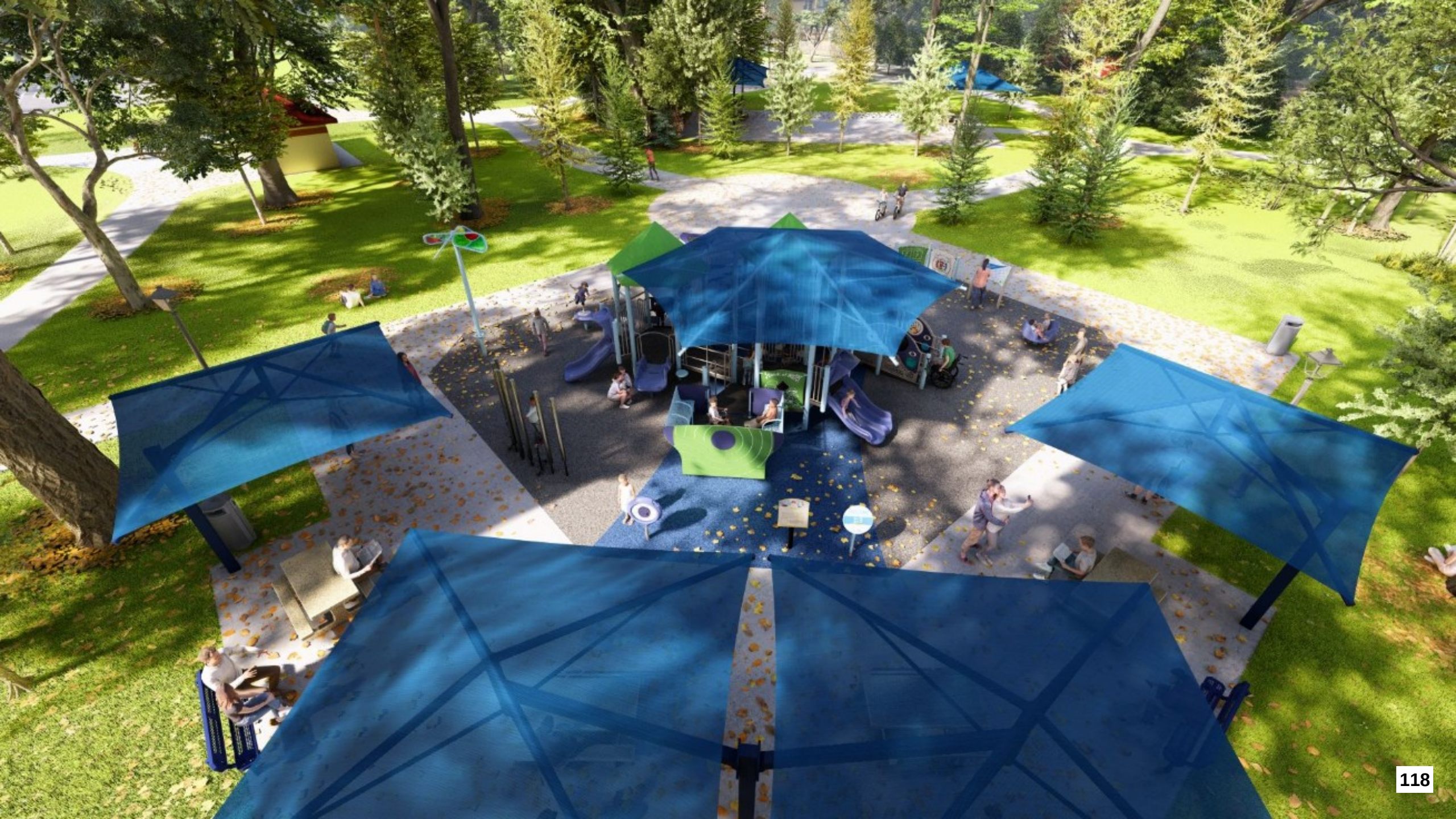














Administrative Report

L.2., File # PA25-1563

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
FROM: DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PUBLIC AMENITIES CURRENT AND PROPOSED COMMITTEES

BACKGROUND

At a recent Public Amenities Commission meeting, Commissioners requested a discussion item regarding current and proposed committees and assignments including goals and timelines.

Below is a list of current Public Amenities Commission Committees and assignments.

Preservation - Minor Alterations Committee

Commissioners Galassi and Lang

Facilities Users Committee

Commissioners Yousufzai, McCauley, and Lang

Volunteer Acknowledgement Program Committee

Commissioners Rowe and Caldwell

Bringing History to the Community Committee

Chair Maroko and Commissioners Lang and McCauley

Franklin Park Playground Committee

Commissioners Lang, Caldwell, and Galassi

Alta Vista Park - Pickleball Committee

Commissioner Galassi

ATTACHMENTS

1. Preservation Plan Subcommittee rationale.pdf

The Preservation Plan indicates a number of issues and goals which have, through the years, not been addressed. Below are recommendations that align with items in the Preservation Plan which would be priority items for committee work:

- A) Recommend a plan to address community outreach and information of the preservation program. Some ideas are 1. Create more current visuals for the Preservation program for Redondo Beach. Current visuals are very outdated. 2. Prepare for a Preservation and Historical Museum booth at the June Riviera Village festival 3. Work with high school student group to create video for preservation to be posted on city web site and be able to be shared 4. Attend council members' community meetings to discuss preservation program
- B) Suggest wording for a mailing to properties listed on the current survey of resources to inform them their property is listed on the survey, what it means, and how to apply to have their house designated. Also include how to get off the list.
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- G) Recommend to council the rationale for a full review and update to the Preservation Plan.



Administrative Report

L.3., File # PA25-1564

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
FROM: MARC WIENER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

TITLE

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STRATEGIES FOR PROMOTING HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON THE BENEFITS OF OWNING A LANDMARK PROPERTY AND APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO ASSIST WITH OUTREACH EFFORTS.



Administrative Report

L.4., File # PA25-1562

Meeting Date: 11/12/2025

TO: PUBLIC AMENITIES COMMISSION
FROM: DANA VINKE, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

TITLE

COMMISSION COMMITTEE REVIEW AND PROJECT UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION

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

BACKGROUND

The Public Amenities Commission has a number of active committees that are individually tasked with specific projects. As part of the commission's ongoing review of the work assigned to its committees, a current committee member may briefly describe the mission of each committee 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 committees for consideration; or modify the number of approved committees. A maximum of three commissioners may serve on a single committee. There are no limitations to the number of committees a commissioner may serve.

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Commissioners Yousufzai, McCauley, Galassi

Volunteer Acknowledgement Program Committee

Commissioners Rowe and Caldwell

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Alta Vista Park - Pickleball Committee

Commissioner Galassi

Committee items requiring formal action or consideration of the Commission must

be formally agendized prior to any action.

ATTACHMENTS

- Pickleball Subcommittee Report 11_5_25.pdf
- Preservation Plan Subcommittee rationale.pdf

Pickleball Subcommittee Update 11/5/25

The pickleball subcommittee conducted a round table discussion with pickleball ambassadors from neighboring cities. This meeting was very valuable to gain insight to the culture and customary uses of their pickleball facilities. We discussed open play vs. reservations, signage, fees and communications and community outreach.

Director Orta also reached out to peer staff from neighboring cities and collected information on how each city runs their programs.

We had a follow up call to touch base on next steps.

In the upcoming weeks the sub committee will examine court times, fees and the information provided by neighboring city staff and ambassadors to make a recommendation for Alta Vista pickleball program, signage and best practices for community engagement.

Still to be reviewed and discussed is the existing reservation system. Currently Redondo uses Rec Trac.

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