



Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, April 21, 2026
Closed Session – Adjourned Regular Meeting 4:30 p.m.
Open Session – Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

4:30 PM - CLOSED SESSION – ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Light in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light

Councilmembers Absent: None

Officials Present: Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Joy Ford, City Attorney
Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION - None

D. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS - None

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Liaison Bodkin reported no Zoom attendees and one eComment in regard to F.1.

F. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

F.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

Feras Adamo, an individual; Manhattan Beach Smoke Shop Inc., a California Corporation v. City of Redondo Beach; Jim Light, an individual; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 26STCP01367

- F.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4).**

One potential case

- F.3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

City of Redondo Beach, et al. v. California State Water Resources Control Board

Case Number: 20STCP03193

- F.4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA, LLC and Leonid Pustilnikov v. City of Redondo Beach and City Council of the City of Redondo Beach

Case Number: B336042

- F.5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, et al.

Case Number: B337897

- F.6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCV10146

- F.7. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Name of case: 9300 Wilshire, LLC v. City of**

Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCP02189

- F.8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

Yes in My Back Yard, a California nonprofit corporation; SONJA TRAUSS, an individual v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, and DOES 1 through 25 inclusive

Case Number: 23TRCP00325

- F.9. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

In re 9300 Wilshire LLC Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.

Case Number: 2:23-bk-10918-ER

- F.10. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

In re 9300 Wilshire, LLC (9300 Wilshire, LLC et al. v. AES-Redondo Beach, LLC) Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.

Case Number: 2:23-ap-01163-ER

- F.11. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.**

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

Elizabeth Hause, Community Services Director

PROPERTY:

Portions of the Redondo Beach Marina Parking Lot and Seaside Lagoon (portions of APN #s: 7503-029-900 and 7503-029-903)

Portions of Harbor Drive, Pacific Avenue, Catalina Avenue, Gertruda Avenue, Herondo Street, and Esplanade

NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

Kellie Hawkins, Englander Knabe & Allen on Behalf of Nike, Inc.

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Price and Terms

- F.12. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.**

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Mike Witzansky, City Manager

Elizabeth Hause, Community Services Director

PROPERTY:

Portions of the Redondo Beach Marina Parking Lot

(portions of APN #s: 7503-029-900 and 7503-029-903)

Portions of King Harbor turn basin and hand launch

NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

Adam Brzyski, Game On Live Studio, Water Polo Program Coordinator

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Price and Terms

Liaison Bodkin read titles to be discussed at Closed Session.

City Manager Witzansky announced the following would be participating in Closed Session: City Manager Mike Witzansky, City Attorney Joy Ford, Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, Senior Deputy City Attorney Aleena Hashmi, and Community Services Director Elizabeth Hause.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to recess to Closed Session at 4:36 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Light reconvened to Open Session at 6:08 p.m.

H. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Mayor Light, Behrendt (arrived after roll call)

Councilmembers Absent: None

Officials Present: Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Joy Ford, City Attorney
Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Witzansky reported the City Council unanimously authorized the City Attorney to defend the City and the Mayor on the matter listed with F.1; reported for items F.11 and F.12 they will need to go back into Closed Session after the Open Session, which will become items R.11 and R.12 and be reread at the conclusion of the Open Session.

J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to adjourn to the Open Session at 6:09 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

6:00 PM – OPEN SESSION – REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Mayor Light in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt,
Mayor Light

Councilmembers Absent: None

Officials Present: Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk
Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Joy Ford, City Attorney
Emily Bodkin, Administrative Specialist/Liaison

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

Mayor Light invited veterans and active-duty military to stand and be recognized for their service.

Max, 4th grader at Birney Elementary School, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Light asked all to remain standing for a moment of silent invocation.

D. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/AB 1234 TRAVEL

D.1. MAYOR'S COMMENDATION TO CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE ON THEIR 100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Mayor Light presented D.2 before D.1.

Mayor Light invited General Manager Rob Thompson and Public Affairs Manager Kimberly Caballero to join him at the podium; stated that California Water Service has played a vital role in providing safe and reliable water to the City's residents and businesses for a century; recognized the dedicated professionals that are committed to ensuring the quality and reliability of water service; noted that environmental stewardship and ongoing investment in infrastructure with California Water Service and the City keeps the systems strong and resilient; thanked them for their support and sponsorship at Earth Day at Wilderness Park; presented a proclamation on behalf of the residents and City Council of Redondo Beach recognizing the 100 years of water service to Rob Thompson and Kimberly Caballero.

Rob Thompson stated Cal Water is proud and honored to serve the City of Redondo Beach and looked forward to 100 more years.

D.2. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION OF APRIL 24, 2026 AS ARBOR DAY IN REDONDO BEACH APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

Mayor Light presented D.2 before D.1.

Mayor Light invited Mark Garlock and Laura MacMorran to the podium; recognized Arbor Day as a day to celebrate and remind them of the vital role trees play in the health and beauty of their community; reported that the City cares for over 11,000 trees spanning over 200 species, is valued at approximately \$54 million, and provides environmental benefits as well as enhances property values and quality of life; reported that each year the City plants 100 or more new trees to ensure future generations will continue to enjoy the benefits; noted that Redondo Beach has been a Tree City USA for three consecutive years and they will continue that effort in partnership with Citizens for Redondo Beach Trees by planting five new trees at Ensenada Parkette that weekend; proclaimed April 24, 2026 as Arbor Day in the City of Redondo Beach and presented the proclamation to Mark Garlock.

Laura MacMorran announced that Citizens of Redondo Trees has become an initiative of the South Bay Parkland Conservancy and it now Citizens for South Bay Trees.

Mayor Light thanked Mark Garlock for planting all the trees; reported that SBPC

received a grant and volunteers were planting 55 new trees at Earth Day at Wilderness Park.

Laura MacMorran stated she had postcards that provided a brief history of Arbor Day and she would give some to the City Council and leave some in the lobby.

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Kaluderovic, to receive and file the postcards.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Mayor Light moved onto announcements after D.1.

Councilmember Waller reported attending Neon Night the previous Thursday at Springfest, two mixers, and went to Colorado to walk the ground of their state capitol; announced that he would be in Sacramento at our State Capitol the following day to support AB2741; announced story time at the Main Library on April 24th from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for Arbor Day, Arbor Day Tree Planting on April 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Ensenada Parkette, the City's birthday celebration on April 26th at Dominguez Park from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and Keep the Esplanade Beautiful's Saturday Sweep on May 2nd at Avenue I at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Light left the dais around 6:21 p.m. and Councilmember Behrendt was Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilmember Castle reported on Saturday in District 2 the City's local Women's Club hosted their 70th Annual Marina District Convention on Saturday morning, King Harbor Association revived the Chalk Art Challenge as part of King Harbor's Earth Day Celebration, and he attended the South Bay Parklands Conservancy Celebration of Earth Day at Wilderness Park and Springfest in North Redondo; reported on Sunday he organized a land side King Harbor and Pier cleanup day, 35 volunteers showed up, and they cleaned up from Veterans Park to Portofino Hotel; stated that the King Harbor Yacht Club and the Redondo Beach Glass Bottom Boat organized surface cleanup of the water and Dive N' Surf cleaned up trash under the water; reported in total they had about 70 volunteers on Sunday at the Waterfront.

Councilmember Kaluderovic acknowledged Public Works' Catherine Schubert and Athens for showing up at Washington's Earth Day event with a trash truck and educating the parents and students about recycling; reported taking a tour last week with Southland to learn about potential efficiencies with upgrading mechanical systems; reported opening the Teen Talent Contest on Friday night and witnessing the volunteer interns working at Springfest.

Councilmember Obagi reported attending the Wilderness Park event and noted he went to look at the lower pond and acknowledged Michelle Pineda, Community Services, for her creative design in using a king frog bearing a Redondo Beach logo; thanked Mike

Klein, Public Works, for taking care of a complaint by a resident regarding dirt on the new pathway on the North Redondo Beach bike path; reported he went to Springfest on Thursday and Sunday, acknowledged the NRBBA for their part in Springfest, and suggested a big tent for the seating area and the beer garden for the next event; spoke of an unhoused family that lost all their identification, noted that Lila had already been contacted, and that Bernard, a City navigator, took them to the County to help them get their documents, and thanked Lila Omura and the department for their continuous good work.

Mayor Light returned to the dais.

Councilmember Behrendt announced on Monday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the RBPAC, he and Councilmember Obagi would be presenting part 3 of their Pillars of Public Safety event and their special guest would be City Attorney Joy Ford; noted that refreshments would be served.

Mayor Light reported that he stepped out of the meeting briefly to handle some final tweaks to a bill the City has on housing that goes forward the following day; reported that he had the honor of presenting Gary Laolagi with the key to the City since he would be retiring after 38 year of service.

Councilmember Castle wanted to acknowledge Girl Scout Troop 4995 for their help in the King Harbor cleanup day and to Chris King and Roberto Avila, Public Works, for getting all the materials they needed and disposing of the bin for the cleanup.

Councilmember Waller announced on Saturday, April 25th the Woman's Club of Redondo Beach is having their 16th Annual Spaghetti Dinner.

E. APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve the order of the agenda as written.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

F. AGENCY RECESS - None

G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

G.1. For Blue Folder Documents Approved at the City Council Meeting

City Clerk Manzano reported Blue Folder items for H.11, J.1, and N.2.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to receive and file the Blue Folder items.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

H.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2026

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.2. APPROVE MOTION TO READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

**H.3. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES:
A. MARCH 17, 2026 ADJOURNED AND REGULAR MEETING**

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

**H.4. PAYROLL DEMANDS
CHECKS 30590-30600 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,814.69, PD. 4/10/26
DIRECT DEPOSIT 309927-310558 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,426,781.83, PD. 4/10/26**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS
CHECKS 124252-124509 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,323,884.50**

CONTACT: STEPHANIE MEYER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.5. APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER \$35,000:

- 1. APPROVE A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH VORTEX SERVICES, LLC DBA SANCON TECHNOLOGIES FOR ON-CALL SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION (INCLUDING LINING) AND STORM DRAIN MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES, EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT TO APRIL 21, 2028.**

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- 2. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER FOR PLACEMENT OF THE CITY'S ANNUAL STREET LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT CHARGES, SEWER USER FEES, AND REFUSE FEES ON THE 2026-2027 FISCAL YEAR SECURED TAX ROLL FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$0.25 PER ASSESSMENT, PER PARCEL, AND \$13.00 FOR EACH CORRECTION (FOR AN ESTIMATED FY**

2026-27 CITY EXPENDITURE TOTAL OF \$15,000)

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.6. APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH PERMITECH SOLUTIONS CORPORATION FOR AS-NEEDED WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTING SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000 ANNUALLY AND A TERM ENDING APRIL 21, 2027 WITH UP TO TWO ONE-YEAR EXTENSIONS**

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.7. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. 2604-022 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AWARDED A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO RAMCO GENERAL ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$719,885 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE VETERANS PARK HISTORIC LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTER - EXTERIOR ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, JOB NO. 20900**

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.8. ADOPT BY 4/5THS VOTE AND BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-020 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,308.16 FROM THE REDONDO BEACH POLICE AND FIRE FOUNDATION AND AUTHORIZING A FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET MODIFICATION TO APPROPRIATE THE \$20,308.16 IN DONATION FUNDS TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET TO FUND THE COST OF FOUR (4) SEEK PRO+ THERMAL IMAGING CAMERAS**

CONTACT: PATRICK BUTLER, FIRE CHIEF

- H.9. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-021, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING RETIRED CALPERS ANNUITANT DAVID BIGGS TO PERFORM SERVICES AS AN "EXTRA HELP" PROJECT MANAGER IN THE WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 7522.56 AND 21224**

CONTACT: DIANE STRICKFADEN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

- H.10. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SOUTH BAY PARKLAND CONSERVANCY FOR VOLUNTEER COORDINATION, COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING, AND HABITAT STEWARDSHIP SERVICES AT WILDERNESS PARK AND THE CITY HALL COURTYARD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000 PER YEAR FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2025 TO JUNE**

30, 2030

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

H.11. Pulled by Councilmember Kaluderovic

H.12. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2604-019, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FRANKLIN PARK PLAYGROUND AS “MAINTENANCE” AND EXEMPTING IT FROM BIDDING REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 19 AND 19.1(A) OF THE CITY CHARTER OF REDONDO BEACH APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH PLAYCORE WISCONSIN, INC., DBA GAMETIME, FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT FRANKLIN PARK FOR A COST OF \$394,856.32

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Waller, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to approve H.1 through H.12 with the exception of H.11.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Ron Maroko, District 3, noted that in their agenda packet were minutes from March 17th that were 54 pages long; stated there’s a lot of extraneous information in the minutes; asked if it is necessary to have them done; suggested they have AI take care of them for a lot less money; stated that they need to take a look at the minutes, commented they are unwieldy; suggested they could use the money towards other things such as the benches in Heritage Court.

Councilmember Obagi asked Ron Maroko to give him an example of extraneous information in the minutes.

Ron Maroko commented that it was 54 pages, and he could find all sorts of discussion; referenced that another set of minutes noted that he ran out of time and that should not be in the minutes; reported that he votes no on all the minutes from his Commission.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one on Zoom and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

City Clerk Manzano read H.7 adopt by title only Resolution No. 2604-022, H.8 adopt by 4/5ths vote and by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-020, H.9 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-021, and H.12 adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2604-019.

I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H.11. APPROVE THE SEVENTH AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR SPECIAL EVENT SERVICES AND REVOCABLE LICENSE WITH SANFORD VENTURES, INC. FOR THE USE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE BEACHLIFE FESTIVAL, AMENDING THE FACILITY USE FEE, OPERATING HOURS, FESTIVAL PREMISES, LOAD-IN OPTIONS, AND REIMBURSEMENT OF MUNICIPAL EXPENSES FOR THE FESTIVAL TO OCCUR MAY 1-3, 2026

CONTACT: KATHERINE BUCK, ACTING WATERFRONT & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Councilmember Kaluderovic stated she pulled this item because it is not the amendment she was hoping for or the agreement she was hoping for; noted that the City loves what BeachLife brings to the City but she is disappointed in the agreement.

Councilmember Obagi agreed with Councilmember Kaluderovic; stated that the City and the BeachLife organizer are constantly negotiating against one another in the one-off amendments; commented that more harmony, peace, and partnership would be brought about by a long-term deal; reported that he met with Mr. Sanford twice (once with Councilmember Kaluderovic, and once alone) and thought they would be at a different place so he is disappointed in the deal; stated he thought the deal was faith because it was exactly what they got last year but noted that the City contributes significantly to the attendees of the festival; stated he thought they would be approving a long-term deal but instead they are approving a one event amendment.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to approve item H.11.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one on Zoom and no eComments.

Motion carried 3-2 by voice vote. Councilmembers Obagi and Kaluderovic were opposed.

J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

Holly Osborne, District 5 and 45 year resident, noted that she has been interested in City planning and green space and trees for much of her time in the City; reported that Bob Pinzler wrote an article in that week's Easy Reader about it and suggested they all take a look; explained that years ago, she was told how cities initially drew up plans for placement of parks and that when there was a school playground it was considered green space and if there was not a school then a city park was planned; commented that that model worked fine but that over the years things have changed and more school

properties have been fenced off which affects the public access but noted it is still green space; stated that negative environmental effects can occur when a school closes and provided an example of Andrews Elementary being replaced by Heritage Point, which resulted in a density of 54 units per acre; reported that the School District did preserve some land which is Andrews Park but the problem is the City Council is proposing up-zoning the land so more housing can be built; stated that the citizens can not allow the City to do that when it comes to a vote.

Andre Leroux asked to submit material.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Waller, to receive and file.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

Andre Leroux, Redondo Beach resident, raised concerns about an ordinance that no suits how dense Redondo Beach has become; commented that homes are closer together and lots are smaller so residents rely on trees and landscaping for privacy, cooling, and quality of life; stated that the City is enforcing rules written from a different time and without modern definitions or standards; reported that City staff, the City arborist, Code Enforcement, and Fire officials met at his house earlier that day to review the property and what they found was there is no clear objective definition in the municipal code that distinguishes a tree from a hedge; said the lack of clarity leaves residents guessing and enforcement becomes subjective and complaint driven; stated the ordinance being enforced today undermines the City's goals in expanding the tree canopy; spoke about City inspectors approving new construction projects with landscaping plans that include the same types of trees cited under the ordinance, which means many of them could be considered in violation; noted that they could read more in the information he submitted.

Mark Nelson recapped a discussion regarding a capital project for the sound wall in front of the 500-600 North Prospect frontage the City had about a year ago; stated that the residents find themselves with no safe and sound wall and six months of underperforming greenery; spoke of recent false alarms on frontage road that probably cost the City a significant amount of money and commented the City could have put that money towards the sound wall; voiced concern that the residents of the 500-600 block are not getting the safety and sound protection they need.

Steve Hague, Redondo Beach, commented that communication between the Districts might be good to have in case residents from different districts want to go help with City events not in their own district; stated that he has an issue with the LGBTQ+ sculpture scheduled to be placed in front of the North Redondo Library, mentioned two thirds of the kids live in North Redondo, and he found it unfortunate that they made decisions without public input.

Mara Lang thanked them for the proclamation and the support the City Council and Public Works had in bringing the Arbor Day planting together; stated that she has major concerns

for the City's green space/park space because so much of it was attached to schools that are gone; noted that she is on the Board of Redondo Sunset, the Softball and Baseball Youth League, and spends lots of time at Alta Vista so she knows the amount of children that use that field; reported that half of Alta Vista Park belongs to the School District and they have three of the City's major fields; voiced her concern that the School District will lease off their land and the City can't afford to lose anymore park space; noted that the schedule for use of the fields is jam packed; hoped they would consider her points when deliberating on the School District FAR number increase.

Mary Simon spoke in support of the art walk in North Redondo; reported that she volunteers at the Redondo Beach Public Library, is a member of the Friends of Redondo Beach Public Library and is a member of the LGBTQ community.

City Clerk Manzano reported no hands raised on Zoom and no eComments.

K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS - None

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None

N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FULTON PLAYFIELD MULTI-BENEFIT INFILTRATION PROJECT APPROVE THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROJECT, JOB NO. 60280, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO ADVERTISE THE PROJECT FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS

CONTACT: ANDREW WINJE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Public Works Director Winje stated the project a stormwater quality project, part of the City's adopted Enhanced Watershed Management Plan, that is part of the City's stormwater permit compliance requirements; said they have a long list of projects to reduce pollution into the ocean; reported this project is the largest regional project among their partners with the other beach cities to reduce pollutants into the Santa Monica Bay; noted City Engineer Lauren Sablan and Ashwini Bhide (who will be managing the project) would provide more details.

City Engineer Sablan stated that Redondo Beach is part of the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group, which is a collaboration of Redondo, Hermosa, Manhattan, Torrance and LA County Flood Control District that plan to work together to comply with the State's requirements; noted that each city or agency has their own targets and projects to meet the requirements and the project before them that evening is a priority regional project to reduce pollutants in the Santa Monica Bay as mentioned earlier; provided a slide showing the existing site conditions of the project and reported the area is an existing detention

basin underneath Fulton Playfield; provided a slide showing the project drainage area that will go to Fulton Playfield; noted the project will retrofit the existing facility and provide the following key benefits: pollution capture, increase flood management, reduces heat island effects, and will increase vegetation; provided a slide featuring an overview of the project components; reported they will install seven dry wells in the park outside the limits of the ball fields and on the surface only a manhole cover will be visible, they will install an ocean friendly garden, and the bio retention parkway along Rindge Lane.

Councilmember Waller asked City Engineer Sablan to explain what a dry well is.

City Engineer Sablan reported they will have 13 dry wells; explained that it is a 50-foot deep cylinder, that is drilled out, and will percolate down into rock that is put on the bottom of the dry well; stated that, instead of the storm water sitting, it would go into the dry wells and give the rainwater opportunity to percolate into the aquifers instead of rushing out to the ocean; stated they will also put in a catch basin which will capture water and divert it to an ocean friendly garden and a bioretention parkway so water can go into the parkway which will give it time to percolate into the ground; reported that the City held a community outreach meeting that was held at Valor Christian Academy in February 2024, where they spoke about the reasons and needs for the project to meet their requirements; said they discussed the design elements, presented construction activities, and the impacts on the playing field and parking; reported that about 20 residents and community members attended and their feedback was they wanted no additional exercise equipment and preferred to keep as much green space as possible; noted that the City was able to move the dry wells outside of the green space and did not install any additional exercise equipment; stated they would hold another community meeting prior to construction; reported that the project is fully funded by Measure W, originally they were not able to begin the project until about 2028, but with additional funding supported by the Regional Safe Clean Water Board they were able to finance it to start the project now; provided a slide with the estimated project schedule, stated, if the plans were authorized that evening, they would advertise by the end of April and open bids in May, bring forward a contract in June, construction phase would start in September (take 120 working days), and they would anticipate the project to be completed by the Summer of 2027; reported that Finance reviewed the funding; stated that staff recommended the City Council to approve the plans and specs for the project and authorize the City Clerk to advertise for competitive bids.

Mayor Light voiced his support for the project; asked Councilmember Kaluderovic to get the word out to her District so the residents could be informed as soon as possible and to get their feedback; asked staff if they had already picked the plants for the bioswale and the garden.

City Engineer Sablan responded that they have been picked and are in the plans and specs; to answer Mayor Light's question, stated they can be changed if the Mayor or Council want them changed.

Councilmember Obagi asked if the water would be fed into the Fulton Playfield by surface

or underwater travel.

City Engineer Sablan replied it would be captured by the stormwater drains in the system and diverted to the detention basin so it will not be on the surface, except for the bioswales and the ocean friendly planter area.

Councilmember Obagi asked if, during construction, the sports programs would be interrupted.

Public Works Director Winje reported that much of the work would be done underground and could be done outside the sports; noted that there may be some disruption on the west side of the park and, if so, they would do community outreach.

Councilmember Kaluderovic recognized that the project has been moved up from late 2028 to now and offered to help with noticing to the community; stated that one of the requests is that construction parking be done on Ripley and not Earl, asked if that could be accommodated.

Public Works Director Winje said they will work that into conversations with the contractor but stated some work would need to be done on Earl.

Councilmember Kaluderovic asked if the other beach cities were on track with their parts of the project.

Public Works Director Winje noted that they have a number of projects in concert with the other cities; reviewed some of those projects and stated that all the cities are heavily invested in the project and they are all working together to meet the requirements.

Discussion followed regarding the need to hit certain milestones in order to meet deadlines.

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to approve the plans and specifications for the project and to authorize the City Clerk to advertise the project for competitive bids.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Mary Simon stated she is involved with the Surfrider Foundation South Bay and had been involved in getting the Manhattan Beach proposal passed; spoke about her experience in testing water quality with her high school and middle school students; noted that runoff water could expose wildlife and people to bacteria, toxins, pollutants, and trash which will make us sick and can cause death; voiced her excitement and support of the project.

Speaker (didn't give a name) asked, when it rains exponentially, will it run off into the ocean friendly garden or will it still possibly flood.

Public Works Director Winje offered to answer the question; stated there is no reason to be concerned about additional flooding and that water will spill over the detention basin into the Herondo drain, and eventually out to the ocean.

Councilmember Obagi asked if staff knew how much water it could take in and plug into the earth.

Public Works Director Winje responded that the basin itself is rated at 6.68 acre-feet; reported that it is operated by the LA County Flood Control District; noted that the storms the City sees are smaller storms and the infiltration wells will be able to capture the majority of the smaller storms and infiltrate the water.

Discussion followed.

Councilmember Kaluderovic calculated that is 13.85 million gallons of water.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one online and no eComments.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

N.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DESIGN OF THE SEASIDE LAGOON REHABILITATION PROJECT REVIEW THE SEASIDE LAGOON PROJECT DESIGN OPTIONS AND DIRECT STAFF TO PURSUE ENTITLEMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 1 OF THE PROJECT TO REPLACE THE LAGOON'S WATER FEATURE AND REBUILD THE NECESSARY INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT

CONTACT: ELIZABETH HAUSE, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

Community Services Director Hause introduced Perry Cardoza and Linda Ford both with NUVIS; stated she would be presenting the project, the City's design options, and how they could move the project forward; reported that Seaside Lagoon is a popular amenity to the City's Waterfront but it relies on aging infrastructure and it is a challenging and costly system to maintain; stated last year the City had to shut down Seaside Lagoon for two weeks and spent about \$60,000 on repairs for the pump; reported that the City collects fines from the California and Regional Water Quality Control Boards annually and the last round of fine for a two year period was \$175,000; reported that the City secured \$10 million in grants and allocated \$1 million in City funds knowing that they had to move forward with improvements to the Lagoon; stated through an RFP process, NUVIS was selected in 2023, and from there they engaged in comprehensive community outreach efforts, received guidance from the subcommittee, and received advice from the Harbor Commission on the design; stated that on October 15, 2024, NUVIS provided design options to the Council, Council chose option 2, and directed staff to move forward with phase 1 and pursue entitlement for all phases; reviewed the details of option 2, which included a lagoon that would be completely isolated from the Harbor, an added roundabout, and removable fences; explained the phases in option 2: phase 1) lagoon

feature and supporting infrastructure, phase 2) park, restroom, and recreation elements, phase 3) building, entry gateway, and plaza, and phase 4) Waterfront promenade improvements; stated, since October 2024, they had to do some cost estimation refinements due to the following:

- LA Department of Health – required the lap pool and lagoon be two separate elements, have setbacks, and be fenced between the two elements
- Cost estimate refinement – due to the refinements required by LA Dept. of Health, the estimate increased and 2026 prices increased significantly from 2024; reported costs of phase 1 alone exceeded \$16 million.
- Site constraints – high groundwater table had excavation limitations which led to expensive dewatering being added to the cost if the City wants the Lagoon to be deeper than 3.5 ft.
- Reported they have \$7.9 million left in the current project budget.

Community Services Director Hause provided the scope refinements, noted that they kept most of the features that were important to the community and the upgrade to the Lagoon but it is scaled back and explained the differences; showed a slide with a bird's eye view of the Lagoon with the refinements; talked about staff's options to avoid dewatering during construction, stated at 3.5 ft. they would not have to dig down but at 5 ft they would have to dig down underneath the groundwater which, at a minimum, would be \$1 million; reported that NUVIS and staff came up with an option to built some decking on top of the existing bulkhead to increase the depth to 5 ft.; provided two options for the zero depth entry of the sand: 1) the slope the sand or 2) sand beach at a single level and then slope down into the concrete area, asked Council to give direction to staff.

Councilmember Waller asked what the distance is between the berm and the bulkhead.

Community Services Director Hause stated that Linda Ford would be able to answer that momentarily.

Councilmember Obagi asked which of the two options staff recommended for the entry.

Community Services Director Hause said to maintain the beach feel, she would recommend the slope entry.

Discussion followed regarding the berm and visibility for parents to see their children.

Linda Ford, NUVIS, to answer Councilmember Waller's question, stated the distance between the berm and the edge averages between 150 to 160 ft. across.

Community Services Director Hause provided a slide with the design option staff and NUVIS put together; noted that option 1 is the base model at \$9.5 million, option 2 is the base model plus the buildup of four or five feet which would be \$9.95 to \$10.5 million, and option 3 is to dig down to get the five feet of depth which would be \$12.74 million; provided a slide with other optional design features the City Council could consider including new

sand, restroom facility, new fencing, and a turf option and reviewed the costs for those features.

Councilmember Obagi commented that his experience with glass and metal is that the metal gets rusted and the maintenance for upkeep is constant.

Councilmember Castle asked about the eight-inch tube steel fence option.

Linda Ford said it would be similar to the Portofino Way side of Seaside Lagoon without the decorative pattern but the same type of material.

Community Services Director Hause stated, due to LA 28 and BeachLife 28, staff would have to take care of entitlements, environmental review, and preparation of plans and specs for phase 1 in a very short period of time; noted the project is a cross collaboration between Community Services, Planning, and Public Works departments; reported that a rough schedule would have the start date for construction for April 2027 with the completion date of early 2028; stated that staff's recommendation would be for Council to provide direction on the elements they would like staff to incorporate into the final Seaside Lagoon design including: water depth, sand entry, and other optional features; noted that staff recommended option 2 and if Council decided to move forward with the project they would need to direct staff to proceed with preparation of the Coastal Development Permit Application and identify funding.

City Manager Witzansky added that they have been in conversation regarding this item for 20 years and that the current facility does not have an indefinite life; stated they need to move away from the water intake water discharge model since it makes the City vulnerable to fines and noted that the fines will compound over time with each subsequent five-year NPDES permit plus they may be subject to penalties at some point; stated that they have to build a new facility but the choices before Council is how quickly they build and to what depth, style, and format and they feel the additional funding required is important for the City; stated that the remaining \$7.9 million in grant funds will not get easier if they delay; said he personally believes the City will be able to close the funding gap with existing resources over the next two fiscal years through Quimby Funds and Cap 300 Funding; spoke in more detail about the Quimby fees available; reiterated that they need to decide what level of elements to include in the design that evening so they can proceed to the Coastal Application and they do not have to commit to any specific funding allocation that evening; said they don't have the time, bandwidth, or the funding to further delay the entitlement review and they are only focused on the primary aquatic replacement feature; spoke about the significant improvements it would bring to the recreational experience at the Waterfront and stressed that this is the most important project in the upcoming CIP.

Mayor Light voiced his disappointment that the project has taken a year and a half to make any real decisions and it has come back significantly different than what was originally approved by the Council; supported moving forward quickly and getting it done before BeachLife 2028 and the Olympics; commented that he liked that they are able to

put sand in the shallower areas for the younger kids and needed to make sure that the spray features stay in the sand area and not in the concrete bottom area; asked, if they go to five feet, could they make the slope version in option 1 deeper than two feet; stated the more depth they could get the better.

City Manager Witzansky said presumably everything would effectively get deeper as a result of the five-foot cap; Perry Cardoza, NUVIS, agreed with that statement.

Mayor Light said he preferred option 1; voiced concern over kids trying to build sandcastles and scraping the concrete so he hoped they could get deeper sand before the water; suggested that make the sand deeper on the land side quicker than they show in the Zero Depth Sand Entry slide.

City Manager Witzansky clarified that the Mayor wanted to see depth added to the sand.

Mayor Light asked that they add to the design what they want for the turn radius for the promenade in the design even if they are not incorporating it now so they don't have to modify it later; said he would like to have the minimum for restrooms or have just two and reported that he sent over a concept of a vestibule that opens both ways, suggested incorporating the outdoor shower in the same facility; stated that he liked option 2 and he would prefer to go to five feet rather than four feet, which is staff's recommendation; regarding the Other Optional Design Features, he preferred the high grade sand, no added wall, and was fine with anything except a chain link fence; asked if they could use aluminum as opposed to steel.

Perry Cardoza said there are coated materials that may be an option as well; described some different types of coated materials they could offer when they get to that.

More discussion followed.

Mayor Light suggested they look at other designs that look towards the ocean for a better visual through the Lagoon and go a bit cheaper on the other fronts; noted that Public Works has indicated that they would not prefer turf due to the maintenance cost.

Councilmember Waller agreed with option 2 and making it five feet, did not support the new sand option, agreed with one or two stalls for a restroom, and was open to a hybrid approach for the fencing but felt chain link is needed between the parking lot and the actual facility.

Mayor Light commented that he is concerned about the chain link fence on the water side rotting.

City Manager Witzansky strongly suggested some level of fence replacement be incorporated.

More discussion followed regarding options for fencing.

Councilmember Waller commented that he didn't feel sod made sense for the facility; agreed they need to have the project completed before BeachLife 2028; had no preference regarding the sloping vs the flat entry.

City Manager Witzansky suggested that, if the higher grade, coarser sand is wanted for the water, they could use the current sand for the play space.

Mayor Light supported that suggestion and stated his concern is getting the turbidity down to help the lifeguards.

Councilmember Obagi referenced the grass, said he thought it was the grass that could make it a year-round facility.

City Manager Witzansky stated the sand is versatile and turf would add maintenance cost.

More discussion followed regarding costs to maintain turf.

Councilmember Obagi said he is willing to forego the turf and was in support of new sand; said if the City Manager is recommending a higher grade fence, he is fine with that; supported option 2 and building up to five feet, preferred the slope option to the water, supported two bathroom stalls and the outside shower; asked if the Quimby funds for the facility go towards the Tidelands or Uplands.

City Manager Witzansky responded that it is Tidelands eligible and pro rata share Uplands eligible; noted he does not forecast having available Uplands capital funds, and that the Quimby funds will be their strongest available source of funds this year.

Councilmember Obagi asked if Quimby Funds could be loaned to the Tidelands and Uplands for these purposes.

City Manager Witzansky responded that would require approval from the State Lands Commission.

Councilmember Behrendt asked Perry Cardoza if he had a high level of confidence in the zero debt sand entry designs and function as intended.

Perry Cardoza stated it will stay but there will be maintenance concerns but that can be overcome; spoke of some of the concerns such as sea birds putting some biological material into the water but noted it will be a chlorinated pool which will help; provided an example of a project where the sand was removed due to the cost of maintenance; reported that there has been an option to put concrete all the way to the top vs having the sand; said they did have a meeting with staff.

Councilmember Behrendt asked him to give them a rough order of magnitude of the maintenance and cost involved.

Perry Cardoza said he could not give him a cost.

Councilmember Behrendt posed the question to the City Manager.

City Manager Witzansky spoke of the challenges they are dealing with today and that the new system will be far easier to maintain; reported that the City spends hundreds of thousands of dollars on chlorine and bisulfite so they see the new system as an upgrade to the City's cost pro forma.

More discussion followed and the City Manager stated sand will be a component of their maintenance under all options.

Councilmember Behrendt asked Mr. Cardoza if he has conferred with any other peers in the field regarding the deeper depth and the dewatering issues, notably Crystal Lagoon; noted that Crystal Lagoon has done a number of projects similar to theirs and asked if NUVIS would be open to conferring with them to help with design issues.

Perry Cardoza reported that they had some dialog with Crystal Lagoon and they will not allow NUVIS access without signing the paperwork they wanted them to sign, which would mean Crystal Lagoon would be a subconsultant and be aparteid into the City.

Councilmember Behrendt asked if there was anything in the public domain of what Crystal Lagoon has done that NUVIS could take a closer look at to help with the value engineering, cost savings, and depth situation.

Perry Cardoza said they could do that and they are open to other solutions to come up with the most cost effective and long-term solution; spoke on the possibility of eliminating the sand but felt it is an important component to the community.

More discussion followed.

City Manager Witzansky spoke of scenarios 30 to 50 years from now where there will be an increase adding to the hydrostatic pressure on the liner of the pool and that would be an argument that it would be more logical to go up instead of down; noted that would be the option they have on moving the bulkhead up.

Mayor Light reported that the Coastal Commission did ask what the City would be doing for the sea level rise and they would be able to say moving the bulkhead up as part of that.

Councilmember Castle asked what the City has realistically to spend that evening.

City Manager Witzansky said he had with reasonable confidence that they would have an estimated \$3.5 to \$4 million of new Quimby fees as part of the CIP available to them in the 26-27 fiscal year, especially if the following six months at the beginning of the 27-28 fiscal year are incorporated.

Councilmember Castle asked if there was a difference in operational cost of the fully sloped sand bottom vs the flat.

Perry Cardoza said it wouldn't be the sand but the biologic material from the sea birds; explained it would be better with the slope to keep them close to the shore zone vs getting them out into the water having a long flat plateau.

Councilmember Castle asked if they could go higher than five feet if they built up.

Perry Cardoza replied that it's all up to structural engineering and they would be tying into an existing old bulkhead; opined that anything is possible with structural engineering and with cost.

City Manager Witzansky added that there are other potential applications but noted if they raise the depth, it will affect how they access walkways, the sand, and will add new volumes; reported that staff feels good with the five feet of quality swimming area.

Motion by Councilmember Castle, seconded by Councilmember Obagi, to move forward with option 2 with the five feet of depth, fully sloped, two prefabricated restrooms and stalls, outdoor shower on the exterior side, upgrading the perimeter fencing with chain link for now but if more money becomes available to do different fencing and no sod.

Councilmember Kaluderovic asked when the decision on fencing would need to be made.

City Manager Witzansky stated when final plans and specifications are made; mentioned they may need to submit it to Coastal and could submit both options for their approval.

Discussion followed on the cost of the steel case fencing taking them up to \$11 million, that Council would still need to make final decisions when they bring back the final plans and specs with the refined cost estimate, and the possibility of a hybrid fence option.

More discussion followed on the cost of new sand and the ability to add that in later and adjusting the options if they can't afford the budget next year.

Mayor Light noted that they had a motion on the floor; commented that there were a number of all-sand facilities in the world and listed some Yucaipa, Hawaii, Australia, Florida, and Disney so it is not new technology; stated there are some operational things they could do to limit the migration of sand over the berm and suggested putting buoys to limit entrance into the Lagoon; voiced his support for the motion on the floor.

Councilmember Kaluderovic supported the motion and confirmed that the exterior shower was included; commented that the facility will be beautiful and that they should strive for a better fence if they can afford it.

Mayor Light suggested they write the RFP to allow innovative ideas that reduce cost or reduce maintenance down the road to be considered in the source selection.

Mayor Light invited public comment.

Mark Hansen, King Harbor boater, stated he was a member of the Public Amenities plan when they discussed this project at length; spoke about the lap pool and voiced disappointment that they could not do it right then but asked that it be considered in a future phase if there is money; suggested they discuss their ideas for the sand with the BeachLife organizers in case they have any insights that the City staff have not considered.

Leslie Chrzan (via Zoom), District 2 and Harbor Commissioner, stated that the Harbor Commission had not seen any of the refinements presented that evening; asked if there was still flexibility in the future phases to get to what they originally envisioned or were choices were being made now due to cost; commented that discussions with the public and within the subcommittee the sand bottom was extremely important and that seeing it go only two feet was inadequate but understood the cost constraints; agreed with accommodating the radius in the roads, supported the recommendation on the bathrooms and showers, and liked the idea that they are building in flexibility in the fencing and the building structure; voiced concern on how they get to the future phases.

City Clerk Manzano reported no one else online and no eComments.

More discussion followed regarding the depth of the sand. City Manager Witzansky reported that it would be between 3.5 and 4 ft. deep.

Mayor Light spoke about the lanai and requested when they discuss design, they provide the same capacity they have today with the ability to see people across the whole thing.

City Manager Witzansky stated nothing they are doing that evening will prohibit them from expanding on the lanai concept, adding buildings, or constructing the promenade down the road; stressed that they all understand that what is presented that evening is what the City could reasonably afford and build in the foreseeable future; noted that they will need significant funding beyond their local resources to execute all phases of the project.

Mayor Light asked if the \$400,000 was for the storm drain and mentioned it was unclear on the drawing.

Perry Cardoza replied that it was the existing storm drain under the current Lagoon which needs to be replaced and explained they would have to run the new storm drain around the perimeter of the whole one-acre Lagoon.

City Manager Witzansky mentioned it is for a future phase, and they don't have to deal with it in this phase.

Linda Ford stated they do need to go around the perimeter; explained they want to make sure to plan for the things in the future because they would not want to have to dig it back

up later; noted they would not want to have a new storm drain sitting underneath a concrete lid that they can't get to.

More discussion followed. Mayor Light withdrew his question and said he can find the details out later.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

City Manager Witzansky reported that they were dark next Tuesday but would have the hearing to discuss an update to the City's Housing Element on May 5th along with the City's Athens contract.

P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS - None

Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Councilmember Kaluderovic asked for an update on facility usage and revenue from the BRR from last year; requested a referral to have a discussion on the life cycles of the City's buildings similar to their vehicle replacement program.

City Manager Witzansky reported that they have a Strategic Planning item that talks about the asset management program which will do analysis and evaluation of the City's systems and they can add her request to that.

Councilmember Obagi clarified that they do have a multi-year deal with BeachLife and he made a mistake there; asked for a BRR on the least expensive way to change the facades on the City's monument signs on Manhattan Beach Blvd. and Herondo and the wayfinding signs on 190th to reflect the new logo.

R. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

R.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of case:

Feras Adamo, an individual; Manhattan Beach Smoke Shop Inc., a California Corporation v. City of Redondo Beach; Jim Light, an individual; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 26STCP01367

R.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4).

One potential case

- R.3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

City of Redondo Beach, et al. v. California State Water Resources Control Board

Case Number: 20STCP03193

- R.4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA, LLC and Leonid Pustilnikov v. City of Redondo Beach and City Council of the City of Redondo Beach

Case Number: B336042

- R.5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, et al.

Case Number: B337897

- R.6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

New Commune DTLA LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive

Case Number: 23STCV10146

- R.7. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

9300 Wilshire, LLC v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of

**Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive
Case Number: 23STCP02189**

- R.8. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

**Yes in My Back Yard, a California nonprofit corporation; SONJA TRAUSS, an individual v. City of Redondo Beach; City Council of the City of Redondo Beach; City of Redondo Beach Department of Community Development, and DOES 1 through 25 inclusive
Case Number: 23TRCP00325**

- R.9. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Name of case:

**In re 9300 Wilshire LLC Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.
Case Number: 2:23-bk-10918-ER**

- R.10. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Name of case: In re 9300 Wilshire, LLC (9300 Wilshire, LLC et al. v. AES-Redondo Beach, LLC) Bankruptcy C.D. Cal.
Case Number: 2:23-ap-01163-ER**

- R.11. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.**

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

**Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Elizabeth Hause, Community Services Director**

PROPERTY:

**Portions of the Redondo Beach Marina Parking Lot and Seaside Lagoon (portions of APN #s: 7503-029-900 and 7503-029-903)
Portions of Harbor Drive, Pacific Avenue, Catalina Avenue, Gertruda Avenue, Herondo Street, and Esplanade**

NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

Kellie Hawkins, Englander Knabe & Allen on Behalf of Nike, Inc.

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Price and Terms

R.12. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8.

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

**Mike Witzansky, City Manager
Elizabeth Hause, Community Services Director**

PROPERTY:

**Portions of the Redondo Beach Marina Parking Lot (portions of APN #s: 7503-029-900 and 7503-029-903)
Portions of King Harbor turn basin and hand launch**

NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

Adam Brzyski, Game On Live Studio, Water Polo Program Coordinator

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Price and Terms

Motion by Councilmember Kaluderovic, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to recess to Closed Session at 8:38 p.m.

Liaison Bodkin read titles to R.11 and R.12 to be discussed in Closed Session.

City Manager Witzansky announced the following would be participating in Closed Session: City Manager Mike Witzansky, City Attorney Joy Ford, Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, and Community Services Director Elizabeth Hause.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 9:28 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Waller, Castle, Kaluderovic, Obagi, Behrendt, Mayor Light

Councilmembers Absent: None

Officials Present: Mike Witzansky, City Manager

T. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Witzansky stated there was no reportable action.

U. ADJOURNMENT – 9:28 P.M.

Motion by Councilmember Obagi, seconded by Councilmember Castle, to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote.

The next meeting of the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach will be an Adjourned Regular meeting to be held at 4:30 p.m. (Closed Session) and a Regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. (Open Session) on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, in the Redondo Beach City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

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

Respectfully submitted:

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk