



Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, March 17, 2020
Closed Session-Special Meeting-4:30 p.m.
Open Session-Regular Meeting-6:00 p.m.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand at 4:32 p.m. via teleconference, in the City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Nehrenheim, Horvath, Gran, Emdee (Present in Chamber)
Loewenstein and Mayor Brand (via teleconference)

Councilmembers Absent: None

Officials Present: Michael W. Webb, City Attorney (via teleconference)
Joe Hoefgen, City Manager
Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION - Waived

BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS – NONE

RED FOLDER ITEMS

City Manager Hoefgen stated that the need arose to add two Closed Session Items for immediate action on the following items:

RF.1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR – The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Section 54956.8

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager
Mike Witzansky, Assistant City Manager
Stephen Proud, Waterfront and Economic Development Director

PROPERTIES:

260 Portofino Way, Redondo Beach, CA 90277
202 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277
500 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277
400 North Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277
(Portions of APN#'s: 7505-002-908; 7503-013-013; 7503-013-901; and 7503-008-901)

NEGOTIATING PARTY:

Mary Dino, Portofino Hotel
Edward Castro, New Starboard Attitude
Sarah Peters, Landry's
Van Wong, Pacifica Hotels

UNDER NEGOTIATION:

Both Price and Terms

RF.2. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES – The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Sec. 54957(a)

CONSULTATION WITH:

Michael W. Webb, City Attorney
Keith Kauffman, Chief of Police

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to add two items to the Closed Session agenda due to the need for immediate action pursuant to posting of the City Council Agenda. Motion carried unanimously by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to comment, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

F. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION at 4:35 p.m.

F.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL AND LABOR NEGOTIATOR - The Closed Session is authorized by the Government Code Sec. 54957.6.

AGENCY NEGOTIATOR:

Joe Hoefgen, City Manager
Mike Witzansky, Assistant City Manager
Diane Strickfaden, Director of Human Resources

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS:

Redondo Beach Police Officers Association and Redondo Beach Police Management Unit

F.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of Case:

Erica Searcy v. City of Redondo Beach
WCAB Case Number: ADJ12791970

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to recess to conduct Closed Session Items attended by City Manager Joe Hoefgen, City Attorney Michael W. Webb (via teleconference), Assistant City Manager Mike Witzansky, Human Resources Director Diane Strickfaden, Risk Manager Jill Buchholz, Outside Labor Negotiator Laura Kalty (via teleconference) and Outside Real Estate Consultant Larry Kosmont via phone. Motion carried unanimously by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: 6:20 p.m.

H. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor Brand
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Officials Present:	Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk Michael W. Webb, City Attorney Joe Hoefgen, City Manager

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Hoefgen announced that Council concluded item F.1 with no reportable action, and Council will go back into Closed Session at the conclusion of the meeting for Item F.2.

J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to adjourn to Open Session at 6:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand at 6:22 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor Brand
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Officials Present:	Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk Michael W. Webb, City Attorney Joe Hoefgen, City Manager

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION

At the request of Mayor Brand, the audience and Councilmembers rose to salute the flag followed by a moment of silence.

D. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE

E. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to consider Item O.1 next on the agenda. Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

F. AGENCY RECESS: NONE

G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to receive and file additional materials for Items O.1, N.2, and H.20. Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

O.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING THE SERIOUS AND IMMINENT THREAT OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) IN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2003-014, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, RATIFYING THE ACTION OF THE CITY MANAGER ACTING AS THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES IN PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.

City Manager Hoefgen gave a report and discussed the following regarding the coronavirus threat:

- Trying to be quick and proactive to the threat
- Taking actions necessary to safeguard public and employees
- City Manager issued a proclamation of a local emergency related to COVID-19 coronavirus on March 12 last week.
- Redondo Beach among the first in South Bay to declare a local emergency, along with state, federal and county declaration of emergency
- Working closely with staff and Council throughout the process
- Resolutions before Council tonight to ratify declaration of a local emergency and all subsequent actions and steps that have been taken during the interim period
- Reviewed actions taken
 - Increased cleaning of restrooms and City facilities
 - Closed three senior centers
 - All senior operations cancelled
 - Senior excursions cancelled
 - Special events in the City cancelled, full closure of PAC
 - Beach Live Festival postponed
 - Spring break camps cancelled
 - Social distancing, good hygiene
 - Limited employee work-related travel
 - Contingency plan for continuity of government
 - Redondo Beach libraries and activities closed
 - Closure of Redondo Beach School District
 - Closed RV Farmer's Market and Veteran's Park Farmer's Market closed
 - Closed Perry Park Teen Center
 - Recreational after school programs and operations have been cancelled
 - Redondo Beach City offices closed to public as of today
 - Alternative systems and procedures taking place
 - Redondo Beach Police and Fire Departments continue to respond to calls for service
 - Fire inspection service suspended
 - Public Works and City contractors continue to perform maintenance and repair work
 - Suspended street sweeping enforcement
 - Meetings suspended
 - IT exploring accessibility of meetings
 - Alternative methods for public participation
 - March 17 through March 31 – all gatherings of 50 or more prohibited

- Social distancing 6 feet apart and access to hand washing
- March 17 through March 31 – all restaurants closed in Redondo Beach and throughout the county except for delivery or take-out dining or via drive-through
- March 17 through March 31 – all bars, nightclubs, gyms, fitness centers, movie theatres, live performance theatres, bowling allies and arcades closed
- Next 90 days – utility shut offs and late penalties prohibited
- Duration of emergency period – temporary moratorium of evictions

Jacqueline Sun, Beach Cities Health District, spoke on the following:

- Activated the District Operation Center to better respond to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Operational objectives
- Information on their website for assistance along with having a hot line at 310 374-3426 x256

Dr. Bill Kim, Chief Medical Advisor, Beach Cities Health District, gave a health update and discussed the following:

- Monitoring situation closely
- Contact with LA County Department of Public Health
- 144 cases diagnosed as of today
- More cases being diagnosed
- Pandemic starting to take off in the community
- Recommended social distances for everyone and social isolation for those 65 and older and with illnesses
- Prevention of spreading
 - Stay home, wash hands, don't touch face, avoid close contact, disinfect frequently, cover mouth when cough or sneeze, get a flu vaccine, face masks, stay home if sick, not call 911 unnecessarily

In response to Mayor Brand regarding parks and playgrounds being closed, Community Services Director John La Rock explained that the park facilities and grounds are not closed at this time consistent with all other California park and recreation member cities.

Councilmember Loewenstein expressed concern with playground surfaces and also expressed concern with kids playing together in groups which is inconsistent with closing the schools.

Councilmember Horvath also concurred and recommended people following all recommendations from the City and the Department of Public Health.

Councilmember Horvath expressed concern with calling 911 unnecessarily and noted ER's can get overwhelmed easily and spread the virus.

Dr. Kim stated those over age 70 with a fever of 99.8 and a cough with pulmonary symptoms should call their doctor but not call 911. He suggested testing can be done outside of the hospital setting, but tests have been set up at the hospitals to test appropriately.

Fire Chief Metzger stated the Fire Department has amended their response protocols, committing only one fully equipped individual being the primary patient care individual unless he needs assistance. He said the remainder of the crew is available to assist if needed, limiting exposure to the public.

Dr. Sam Stratton, Chief Medical Advisor to Police and Fire, stated measures being taken are standard and appropriate throughout California. He said the virus is primitive with no DNA and is expected, in time, it will begin to mutate to not be as infectious such as in the spring. He said social distancing and limiting human contact with others is very appropriate. He also said a vaccine is projected to develop in a year to 18 months. He stated Redondo Beach Fire and first responders throughout the county have enacted a

treat and release policy which allows fire fighters to release a patient without transport, if needed, and advise the patient to call their physician which is different from normal EMS practices. He also advised washing hands at all times and use hand sanitizer as needed. He also expressed concern with kids playing on playgrounds at this point which may distract Fire and Police from more important calls if enforced. He suggested having public announcements for parents to wipe down equipment. He also said the virus seems to move quickly from hand to mouth contact.

Mayor Brand suggested using common sense and that the playgrounds be off limits at this point.

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding protocols for the Fire Department, Dr. Stratton stated they are using N95 masks and having a triage tent with universal precaution equipment and also limiting exposure of the health care providers. He also said patients calling 911 are being asked screening questions and are following precautions for high risk calls, but calls not being considered high risk for infection are responding in a more standard format.

Chief Kaufman stated the Police Department has worked very closely with the Fire Department to ensure their protocols are similar to theirs to include prescreening 911 calls, adjusting response to do phone reports, using protective gear, masks as needed, having personnel ready, calls for service have been relatively the same, team of officers both in the north and south visiting bars, restaurants, and businesses that fit the order and educating them and talking to over 100 establishments with 100% compliance.

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

Liliana stated she has a dance and music school in the City, supported the Los Angeles Public Health, and asked to not close the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center until the end of June. She said the theater is very large and 50 people or less would have appropriate social distancing and said there is a creative way to dance far away from each other in small groups.

Jonathan Shrednick, Completely Pickled, believed they have a safe environment at the farmers market, noted there are less people, no carts/doors with hand sanitizers, and asked that it be open to help people get food and supplies. He also said LA County has given them the okay and asked the City do the same.

Gary Mlynek, District 5, agreed with keeping the farmers market open, expressed concern with imposing Marshall Law, stated the virus dies quickly on cotton material, and expressed concern with restricting lives with making a living.

Dr. Stratton explained that this is more lethal than the flu which has a 2% mortality rate, and there is no vaccine for COVID-19 with a potential to break out and spread rapidly. He also said the normal flu is .9% mortality rate and also affects younger adults more vigorously than the flu.

Dr. Kim said that the virus can last nine days on a flat surface, the overall mortality is around 2% and older patients approaches 15% mortality rate after age 60 to 65. He said this is not a flu and everything possible needs to be done to mitigate it.

Luis Vasquez, Redondo Beach, suggested considering free Wi-Fi to all residents of Redondo Beach to help reduce the spread of the virus.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Councilmember Emdee stated this is a virus and the population does not have antibodies against it. She said the numbers are huge and the numbers of the countries that didn't act quickly enough were closer to 3 to 5%, with number of deaths by a factor of 10. She also said the number of cases is higher without acting quickly in addition to taxing of the health centers. She pointed out that Torrance Memorial and Little

Company of Mary only have 954 beds between them with only 350 beds available for the entire area. She said measures are taking place to avoid this becoming a catastrophe and will grow to the 10th power if the spread isn't stopped now.

Councilmember Horvath agreed and supported being overly cautious and asked about websites for medical sound information. Dr. Stratton suggested the CDC website which has information for health care providers and citizens, and the California Public Health Department which gives information more specifically to California.

City Manager Hoefgen also suggested the webpage for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

Councilmember Nehrenheim expressed concern with seniors and those immobile that don't have easy access to food supplies, and the volume of people going through supermarkets. He suggested the farmers market in the Riviera Village and Veterans Park be kept open with an outdoor environment with plenty of space.

Community Services Director La Rock stated he spoke with the LA County Department of Health and stated the first guideline would be selling only edible produce, no prepared foods, no non-food vendors, allow only 50 people in the market location at a time, that city personnel record the basic contact information of every seller and person shopping at the market, no samples of foods provided at the market, and suggested observing the Torrance farmer's market this Saturday and learn their best practices.

Mayor Brand asked about the differences between a normal food market versus a farmer's market. Community Services Director La Rock explained that the determination was made on crowds of more than 250 and 50 people on City property.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about food delivery for seniors and those on fixed income that can't pay for food delivery services.

Jacqueline Sun, Beach Cities Health District, stated they have their hotline for contacts for assistance especially for older adults such as grocery shopping, and coordination regarding donations in trying to best support the older adults.

Councilmember Nehrenheim stated the county is working on a plan for those who will be quarantined, to include beds, renting hotel rooms, and the City is working hard with other agencies.

City Manager Hoefgen stated that farmer markets are currently cancelled from March 15 to April 30 but suggested a modification such as "until further notice" and also suggested bringing back this item at the March 31 City Council meeting. He also said the prohibition currently in place could be taken out of the resolution.

Councilmember Emdee stated the Salvation Army is expanding their Meals on Wheels program. She also suggested the motion include the City Manager to review options to open the farmer's market.

Mayor Brand asked about the playgrounds and nail salons. Assistant City Manager Witzansky stated that nail salons are not prohibited under the current order.

Councilmember Loewenstein referred to the exponential growth and reviewed an article which states 40,000 cases within 30 days and if waited, 10.24 Million cases. He also said Singapore and Taiwan have extensive experience fighting SARS and MERS bringing it under control very quickly with very few infections. He also expressed concern with shared facilities and exponential growth. He pointed out that younger people are dying from this virus and supported a short-term sacrifice to stop the spread.

Mayor Brand supported public playgrounds being closed.

Councilmember Emdee believed parents are keeping their kids home and did not support putting too much strain on staff for enforcement.

City Attorney Webb suggested as a compromise marking off parks as closed with yellow police tape.

City Manager Hoefgen suggested posting signs related to hygiene at each park site.

Councilmember Horvath suggested just recommending that residents not use play structures but can use the open space.

Councilmember Loewenstein suggested considering the tape as a good compromise.

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2003-014, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach, California, ratifying the action of the City Manager acting as the Director of Emergency Services in proclaiming the existence of a local emergency in the City of Redondo Beach, and adopt by title Resolution No. CC-2003-016, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach, California, ratifying the action of the City Manager acting as the Director of Emergency Services in issuing public orders by the City Manager under the City of Redondo Beach emergency authority.

Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

City Clerk Manzano read Resolution Nos. CC-2003-014 and CC-2003-016 by title only.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

H.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 17, 2020.

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. JANUARY 7, 2020 ADJOURNED REGULAR AND REGULAR MEETING

B. JANUARY 14, 2020 ADJOURNED REGULAR AND REGULAR MEETING

C. JANUARY 21, 2020 ADJOURNED REGULAR AND REGULAR MEETING

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

H.4. PAYROLL DEMANDS

CHECKS 26495-26538 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,694.73, PD. 3/6/2020

EFT/ACH \$9,217.25, PD. 3/5/2020 (PP2005)

EFT/ACH \$356,703.27, PD. 3/12/2020 (PP2005)

EFT/ACH \$4,500.00, PD. 3/12/2020

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS

CHECKS 93350-93578 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,837,609.27

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

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

1. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH VERONICA TAM & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR EVALUATION OF THE GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000 FOR THE TERM MARCH 17, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021.

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

H.6. APPROVE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH KATHLEEN TERRY FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING FACILITATION SERVICES FOR APRIL 28, 2020 AND TWO FUTURE STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSIONS AT A COST OF \$5,000 PER SESSION AND TO EXTEND THE TERM TO MAY 1, 2021

CONTACT: JOE HOEFGEN, CITY MANAGER

H.7. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2003-010, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING AND RESTATING THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN, PLAN NO. 301863 TO OFFER DESIGNATED ROTH ACCOUNTS AND ALLOW IN-PLAN ROTH CONVERSIONS

CONTACT: DIANE STRICKFADEN, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

H.8. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2003-011, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2020 AS "OPEN WATER SWIM DAY" IN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH IN SPONSORSHIP AND SUPPORT OF THE THIRD ANNUAL SWIM THE AVENUES WATER SPORTS EVENT TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH COASTAL WATERS AND IN APPRECIATION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES' EFFORTS TO PERMIT THE EVENT AND PROVIDE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT

CONTACT: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

H.9. ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE DESIGN BUILD COMPONENT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH CLEAN ENERGY FOR THE COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (CNG) FUELING STATION REPLACEMENT-CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, ASSOCIATED WITH PROJECT NO. 20670, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ENGINEER TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE PROJECT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

H.10. ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE SANTA MONICA BAY NEAR/OFFSHORE DEBRIS TMDL PROJECT - TORRANCE CIRCLE LFD, JOB NO. 60190, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ENGINEER TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER AND RELEASE THE FINAL RETENTION PAYMENT OF \$19,388.43 TO SDR ENGINEERING, INC. UPON EXPIRATION OF THE 35-DAY LIEN PERIOD AFTER SAID RECORDATION AND NO CLAIMS BEING FILED UPON THE PROJECT.

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

H.11. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH EXPO SHOWS INC, FOR JULY 4, 2020 FIREWORKS DISPLAY SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000 FOR THE TERM MARCH 18, 2020 THROUGH AUGUST 14, 2020

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2003-012, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING A 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET MODIFICATION APPROPRIATING \$79,200 FROM THE TIDELANDS

FUND TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR SEASIDE LAGOON OPERATIONS BUDGET FOR EXPENSES RELATING TO THE JULY 4TH FIREWORKS SPECIAL EVENT

CONTACT: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

- H.12. REGRETFULLY ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER WHITNEY TAYLOR FROM THE RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO POST THE VACANCY**

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

- H.13. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2003-013, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH AND THE REDONDO BEACH FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION FROM JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020**

CONTACT: DIANE STRICKFADEN, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

- H.14. PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER LOEWENSTEIN FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.**

- H.15. APPROVE THE PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING ENHANCEMENTS IN THE DOW AVENUE – JOHNSTON AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD**

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.16. ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE INGLEWOOD AVENUE FROM GRANT AVENUE TO 190TH STREET PROJECT, JOB NO. 41100 AND THE FLAGLER LANE FROM 190TH STREET TO BERYL STREET PROJECT, JOB NO. 41060, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ENGINEER TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER AND RELEASE THE FINAL RETENTION PAYMENT OF \$26,755.50 TO PALP INC., DBA EXCEL PAVING COMPANY UPON EXPIRATION OF THE 35-DAY LIEN PERIOD AFTER SAID RECORDATION AND NO CLAIMS BEING FILED UPON THE PROJECT**

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.17. RECEIVE AND FILE THE PERIODIC UPDATES TO THE SIX-MONTH STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES ESTABLISHED AT THE STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT HELD ON OCTOBER 22, 2019**

CONTACT: JOE HOEFGEN, CITY MANAGER

- H.18. APPROVE THIRD AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH PLACEWORKS, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$88,316 FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,436,608, AND TO EXTEND THE TERM TO DECEMBER 31, 2021 WITH OPTION TO RENEW TO DECEMBER 31, 2022**

CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

- H.19. APPROVE AN MOU WITH THE CITIES OF HERMOSA BEACH, MANHATTAN BEACH AND TORRANCE ESTABLISHING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR DESIGN, ADMINISTRATION AND COST SHARING FOR THE REGIONAL GREEN STREETS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE A \$137,500.00 PAYMENT TO THE CITY OF TORRANCE**

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.20. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH EISNER, LLP FOR LEGAL SERVICES AS NEEDED FOR THE TERM OF MARCH 17, 2020 UNTIL TERMINATED.**

CONTACT: MICHAEL W. WEBB, CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Brand called for public comment.

Scott Fellows, Critic's Choice Catering, referred to Item H.15 and suggested improving access and safety in North Redondo Beach to include slowing the traffic on Beland Avenue and a boulevard stop about half way down, a traffic circle where Dow Avenue and Johnston Avenue come together, a speed bump at the intersection before Beland, and did not support a median in the center of the road.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Councilmember Emdee noted the Consent Calendar includes a lot of positive items taking place in the City and referred to Item H.14 which included two community meetings and the Public Works Commission. She believed that the neighborhood is aware of the recommendations.

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to approve Consent Calendar items H.1 through H.20, with the exception of H.14.

Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

City Clerk Manzano read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only which were included on the Consent Calendar.

I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H.14. APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CALMING ENHANCEMENTS ON BERYL STREET BETWEEN CATALINA AVENUE AND PROSPECT AVENUE CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

In response to Councilmember Loewenstein regarding the traffic configurations on Beryl, Public Works Director Semaan reviewed the recommended items to include temporary bulb outs on Beryl at Juanita, Lucia and Maria; temporary traffic circles for Broadway and Elena at the intersections with Beryl; installation of radar feedback signs along various places along the corridor; high visibility crosswalks at all intersections; class 2 and class 3 bike facilities between Broadway and PCH and Prospect and PCH; installation of pedestrian countdown signals at Catalina, Prospect and Maria; perform an assessment to determine the feasibility of pedestrian crossing enhancements at the uncontrolled intersection of Beryl and Francisca, consider removal of traffic signal at Beryl and Maria into an all way stop control, and consider an assessment feasibility to install an all way stop control at the intersection of Beryl and Irena.

Councilmember Loewenstein suggested just doing an analysis first regarding removing the traffic signals at Beryl and Maria and also supported all-way stop controls at Beryl and Irena.

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to accept all recommendations of the Public Works Commission and to install the all-way stop controls at Beryl and Irena.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee

NOES: None
ABSENT: None

J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS – NONE

L. PUBLIC HEARING – NONE

M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PERVIOUS AGENDAS – NONE

N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE GENERAL PLAN UPDATE STATUS AND ANNUAL HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Planning Manager Sean Scully gave a presentation and discussed the following:

- General Plan Annual Progress Report
- Components of the report
- History and status of the City's current General Plan and various updates
- 2009 – updated circulation element and housing element
- Itemize capital improvement projects related to the application of goals and policies
- Outline zoning ordinances and general plan amendments
- List development projects throughout the City
- Housing in the City
- Table B which summarizes residential units permitted over 2019
- ADU's – 16 units categorized as low-income affordable units
- Report due by April 1

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to receive and file and direct staff to submit the annual housing progress report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development, Office of Planning and Research and all agencies noted. Motion carried unanimously with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

N.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FY 2019-20 MIDYEAR BUDGET REPORT

RECEIVE AND FILE THE FY 2019-20 MIDYEAR BUDGET REPORT AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2019-20 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET AND FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

ADOPT BY 4/5 VOTE AND BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2003-015, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, MODIFYING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

City Manager Hoefgen gave a report and recommended Council receive and file the report and adopt the Resolution making some changes to the budget accordingly, and stated staff will come back with an updated report regarding impacts to the City from the COVID-19 crisis.

Finance Director Marni Ruhland gave a report and discussed the following:

- Numbers will be revised later in the fiscal year
- Modifications tonight include:
 - Increase to revenues of \$2.4M
 - Increase to appropriations of \$1M
 - 6 decision packages – reduction of fund balance of approximately \$100K
 - Revenue increases from property tax, sales tax and property transfer tax
 - Projection for a continued decrease in utility user tax
 - Slight decrease in TOT (to be revised later on)
 - Sales declining
 - Increases from the annual internal service fund update – BRR#2 – liability insurance claims
 - Decision Package #1 – no longer needed
 - Decision Package #2 – election-related services
 - Decision Package #3 – housekeeping item – remove the same dollar amount from both revenue and appropriation – no impact on fund balance
 - Decision Package #4 – increase City medical services grant
 - Decision Package #5 – equipment and supplies for response of Coronavirus outbreak
 - Decision Package #6 and Budget Response Report #11– purchase of replacement AED's in City facilities
- Estimated ending fund balance of approximately \$1.5M – staff recommendation to leave this balance unspent

Assistant City Manager Witzansky gave a report and discussed the following:

- Staff to bring back a complete revision of the projected revenues and expenditures – significantly adjusted as a result of COVID-19 and the \$1.5M may completely vanish which may require dipping into reserves
- TOT and sales tax drop
- Decision Packages 2-6
- Capital Improvement Plan tabled

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

In response to Mayor Brand, Assistant City Manager Witzansky explained that the \$1.5M is leftover money in the resolution adopted tonight but will be quickly amended when staff comes back with the changes.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to receive and file the FY 2019-20 Midyear Budget Report and to adopt by 4/5 vote and by title only Resolution No. CC-2003-015. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee
NOES: None

ABSENT: None

City Clerk Manzano read Resolution No. CC-2003-015 by title only.

N.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRAFFIC CONTROL MODIFICATIONS AT TORRANCE BOULEVARD AND BROADWAY

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to continue this item to a future Council meeting. Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS – NONE

P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS – NONE

Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to direct the City Manager to gather recommendations for the next meeting for a Disaster Council as per City Charter.

City Attorney Webb spoke on Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code, stated the City Manager can make appointments and believed the Disaster Council would be subject to the Brown Act.

Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Mayor Brand called for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

R. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – 8:52 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to recess to conduct Closed Sessions attended by City Attorney Michael W. Webb, City Manager Joe Hoefgen, Assistant City Manager Mike Witzansky, Waterfront & Economic Development Director Stephen Proud and outside legal counsel **Carolyn Baloso.**

R.2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION – The Closed Session is authorized by the attorney-client privilege, Government Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(1).

Name of Case:

Erica Searcy v. City of Redondo Beach

WCAB Case Number: ADJ12791970

S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 8:59 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee, Mayor Brand
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Officials Present:	Michael W. Webb, City Attorney Joe Hoefgen, City Manager

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

City Manager Hoefgen announced that no reportable action was taken.

T. ADJOURNMENT: 8:59 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. to 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, March 31, 2020, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California. Motion carried, with Councilmember Loewenstein absent.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk