



Minutes  
Redondo Beach City Council  
Tuesday, August 18, 2020  
Closed Session-Special-4:30 p.m.  
Open Session-Regular Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Via teleconference, a Special Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand at 4:30 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: Joe Hoefgen, City Manager  
Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

**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**

Mayor Brand called for comments via eComment or Zoom. There being no comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

**F. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION at 4:31 p.m.**

**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:**

Jason Johnson v. City of Redondo Beach, et al  
Case Number: 19STCV45100

**F.2. 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

**PROPERTY:**

136 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
140 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
124 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
109 Torrance Blvd., #100, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
209 N. Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
102 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
206 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

605 N. Harbor Dr., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
230 Portofino Way, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
105 W Torrance Blvd., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
111 W. Torrance Blvd. #100, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
500 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
108 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
154 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
140 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
202 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
210 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
129 W. Torrance Blvd., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
164 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
122 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
105 W. Torrance Blvd, Suite 100, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
203 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
160 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
260 Portofino Way, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
130 International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
179 North Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
400 N. Harbor Dr., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
140 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
245 N. Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
207 N. Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
119 W. Torrance Blvd., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
655 N. Harbor Dr., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
201 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
119 W. Torrance Blvd., Suite 3, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
134 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
201 Fisherman's Wharf #103, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
125 W. Torrance Blvd., Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
120 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277  
140 N. International Boardwalk, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

**NEGOTIATING PARTY:**

Jessica Lo Ibarra, Basq Kitchen  
Anthony Le, Betty-G  
Kim, Boardwalk Candy  
Joey Shanahan, Cancer Support Community  
George Loren, Captain Kidd's  
Eswin Corado, El Baja Chef  
Craig Wright, Hot Dog on a Stick  
Brad Howard, Jackbilt  
Michael Kelly, KRG JCS Redondo Beach, LLC  
Shinoi Osuka, Juca  
Carl Kulman, Kuhlman  
Jeff Cantwell & Lisa Saracene, Landry's  
Joy Corradetti, Mystical Joy  
Jim Trevelen, Naja's  
Jacob Moreno, Navegante  
Ed Castro, New Starboard Attitude  
Reggie Fong, Old Tony's  
Michael Le Coz, Ozobot  
Patrick Webb, Paddlehouse



Parin Demel, Pier Bakery  
Piero Quinci, Aloha Braces  
Robert Borgese, Pizza on the Pier  
Terry Turk, Polly's on the Pier  
Jake Donoghue, Portofino Hotel  
Jeff Jones, Quality Seafood  
George Loren, R10  
Van Wong, Redondo Beach Hotel  
Jake Mark, Redondo Sportfishing and Whale Watching  
John Fisher, Ruby's  
George Moussalli, Sambas  
Joelle Adkins, Savoir Faire Language Institute  
Michael, Zislis, Shade Hotel  
Lillian Taylor, Slightly Different  
Ron Spohn, Spohn Design  
Jean Pierre de Melo, Spybase  
Sione & Adrienne Taufa, T's Toe Rings & Gifts  
Sumet Tungchoothongchai, The Shrimp Lover  
Rashel Mereness, The Slip  
John Kukawsky, Tradewinds & Pineapple Alley

**UNDER NEGOTIATION: Both Price and Terms**

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to recess at 4:31 p.m. to conduct Closed Sessions attended by City Manager Joe Hoefgen, City Attorney Mike Webb, Assistant City Attorney Cheryl Park, Outside Legal Counsel Phil Toomey, Waterfront/Economic Development Director Stephen Proud, Human Resources Director Diane Strickfaden, and Fire Chief Bob Metzger. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

**G. RECONVENE TO OPEN CLOSED SESSION: 6:00 p.m.**

**H. ROLL CALL**

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

**I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS – NONE**

**J. ADJOURN TO REGULAR MEETING**

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. to a regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

## **6:00 PM – OPEN SESSION – REGULAR MEETING**

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Via Teleconference, a Regular Meeting of the Redondo Beach City Council was called to order by Mayor Brand at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 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 Webb, City Attorney Joe Hoefgen, City Manager Vickie Kroneberger, Chief Deputy City Clerk

### **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**

Councilmember Nehrenheim announced his last meeting at Alta Vista Park which went very well. He also thanked Public Works for the bike racks in the Riviera Village, supported the community gardens, and announced his virtual community meeting taking place next week.

Councilmember Loewenstein announced his virtual community meeting taking place on August 26 at 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Zoom. He also asked that everyone complete the census.

Councilmember Horvath also supported that people fill out their census form online which will prevent census takers coming to your home. He also reminded that the next Planning Commission meeting will include the Artesia/Aviation Corridor Area Plan.

Councilmember Gran thanked Public Works for trimming the trees on Grant, curb cuts, the North Redondo Beach Bike Path and landscaping, and also announced that the next Planning Commission meeting will include the Artesia/Aviation Corridor Area Plan.

Councilmember Emdee stated today is the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary allowing women to vote, suggested everyone register to vote, and said there will be drop boxes available for ballots.

Mayor Brand spoke on the blackouts, stated he spoke to the Water Board regarding the retirement of the AES Power Plant and the hearing will take place on September 1, spoke on the housing bills which will circumvent CEQA or strip local control, and encouraged people to write their state representatives opposing the bills. He also announced that people can still register to vote at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net), and thanked the City Clerk's Office and IT Department regarding the virtual meetings.

### **E. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to approve the agenda as presented. 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 Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to receive and file additional materials for Items J.1, L.1, N.1, N.2, and N.5. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

**H. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**H.1. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING (CLOSED SESSION) AND REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 18, 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. PAYROLL DEMANDS**

CHECKS 26801-26825 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,494.36, PD. 8/7/2020

DIRECT DEPOSIT 225689-226128 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,660,487.47, PD. 8/7/2020

EFT/ACH \$7,477.52, PD. 8/6/2020 (PP2016)

EFT/ACH \$353,719.08, PD. 8/6/2020 (PP2015)

EFT/ACH \$343,511.38, PD. 8/6/2020 (PP2016)

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS

CHECKS 95518-95717 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,641,872.03

REPLACEMENT DEMANDS 95516-95517

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

**H.4. APPROVE CONTRACTS UNDER \$35,000:**

1. APPROVE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH SPOHN RANCH, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$7,500 FOR THE EXISTING TERM.

2. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH SUEZ WTS SERVICES USA, INC. FOR MOBILE WATER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE AT FIRE STATION 1 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000 FOR THE TERM AUGUST 18, 2020 TO AUGUST 17, 2023.

3. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH SUEZ WTS SERVICES USA, INC. FOR MOBILE WATER CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE AT FIRE STATION 2 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000 FOR THE TERM AUGUST 18, 2020 TO AUGUST 17, 2023.  
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

**H.5. APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WITH MUNISERVICES, LLC. FOR UTILITY USERS TAX FOR AN ADDITIONAL BUDGETED AMOUNT OF \$74,000 AND TO EXTEND THE TERM TO AUGUST 30, 2022**  
CONTACT: STEVEN DIELS, CITY TREASURER

**H.6. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF ONE ADVANCE RIDER SWEEPER FROM TOTAL CLEAN, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,140, FOR USE BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AT THE HARBOR.**  
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- H.7. **APPROVE THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF A SINKHOLE AT THE INTERSECTION OF TORRANCE BOULEVARD AND CATALINA AVENUE BY MIKE PRlich AND SONS, INC. FOR A COST TO THE WASTEWATER FUND NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000**  
**CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**
- H.8. **PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER NEHRENHEIM FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.**
- H.9. **PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER NEHRENHEIM FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.**
- H.10. **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ENGINEER TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,005.80; AND ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE PIER PARKING STRUCTURE REPAIRS AND RAILING REHABILITATION PROJECT, JOB NO. 70610, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ENGINEER TO FILE A NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE PROJECT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER AND RELEASE FINAL RETENTION PAYMENT OF \$105,026.39 TO SLATER WATERPROOFING, 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. **ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2008-059, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO MIKE PRlich & SONS, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$673,870 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER REHAB - 2020 UPGRADES TO PCH/VISTA DEL MAR, JOB. 50150**  
**CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment or Zoom. There being no comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to approve Consent Calendar items H.1 through H.11, with the exclusion of Items H.8 and H.9. 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.8. **ANNUAL REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF CITY'S STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY, AS AMENDED**  
**CONTACT: STEVEN DIELS, CITY TREASURER**
- H.9. **RECEIVE AND FILE THE CITY TREASURER'S FOURTH QUARTER 2019-2020 REPORT.**  
**CONTACT: STEVEN DIELS, CITY TREASURER**

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, City Treasurer Diels gave a report and stated the City is a buy and hold fixed income portfolio investment style which is reviewed every quarter. He also said the City would have to sell instruments early potentially at a loss depending on the market rate if poor planning of cash flow or large expenditures take place. He said the City generally has a portfolio in excess of \$80M but it's not a



reserve fund. He said running out of money would require dipping into the reserves, the size is decided by Council and at that point, the money would be kept liquid, with about three months of spending power.

City Manager Hoefgen also explained that the City would have approximately a two- to three-month time period when all reserves are added together.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, City Treasurer Diels stated sales could take place early if cash flow requires it, but this rarely takes place. He also said safety, liquidity and yields are important.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about the companies used to buy bonds and how they are chosen. City Treasurer Diels stated credit ratings are checked first, then the maturity timeline and delivering the highest yield possible. He also said Council would set the policy regarding investing in companies. He said they are looking ahead regarding budgeting in the years to come with dropping revenues, noting the revenues and expenses are very tight right now. He also reviewed the amendments regarding the City's Statement of Investment Policy, with the major change recommending not investing in Cal Trust.

City Manager Hoefgen noted there are limited reserves with more budget challenges ahead.

Chief Deputy City Treasurer Nilesh Mehta reviewed the changes made to the Investment Policy to include the Cal Trust, negotiable CD's, and other minor changes.

Councilmember Loewenstein asked about who would make recommendations regarding selling. City Treasurer Diels stated there are thresholds regarding credit ratings, keeping the policy consistent, and liquidating securities. He said when yield goes up, bonds go down, but this would be in the marketplace, and noted the City is generally a buy and hold. He also pointed out that the yields have both gone up and down during COVID.

FHN Financial, President & CIO Rick Phillips explained that every security in the portfolio is an unrealized gain currently, with approximately a \$3M unrealized gain on the total portfolio right now. He also said that treasuries can be laddered and reinvested.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom. There being no comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to approve the City's Statement of Investment Policy, as amended, and to receive and file the City Treasurer's Fourth Quarter 2019-2020 report. Motion carried unanimously, 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 via eComment and Zoom.

Dr. Andrew Lesser thanked the City Clerk and IT for the virtual meetings, thanked the police, fire, City Attorney, city prosecutor and Public Works for keeping the City safe, thanked the Mayor and Council and City Manager for their support of Public Safety, and reminded people to wear the masks covering the nostrils and the mouth, not a mask with a valve/vent, and noted a worldwide epidemic is taking place.

Wayne Craig, District 1, expressed concern with the housing bills, and supported the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary for women voting.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Vickie Kroneberger read the following eComment comments:

Warren Chun asked that Council consider visiting Harbor City Skatepark, Franklin Park, and Anderson Park at 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. regarding a skatepark.

Zein Obagi Jr. supported Redondo Together and Black Lives Matter.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

#### **K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilmember Nehrenheim disclosed speaking with Councilmember Loewenstein and the public.

Councilmember Loewenstein disclosed speaking with Councilmember Nehrenheim and the public.

Councilmember Horvath disclosed speaking with the public.

Councilmember Gran disclosed speaking with the public.

Councilmember Emdee disclosed speaking with the public.

Mayor Brand disclosed speaking with the public.

#### **L. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

##### **L1. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO TITLE 4, CHAPTER 35 (PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO AMEND THE RULES PERTAINING TO DOGS IN PARKS**

**INTRODUCE BY TITLE ONLY ORDINANCE NO. O-3204-20, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 4, CHAPTER 35 OF THE REDONDO BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW DOGS IN SPECIFIED PARKS UNDER IMPOSED CONDITIONS FOR INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING.**

##### **PROCEDURES:**

- A. Open Public Hearing, take testimony, and**
- B. Close Public Hearing; and**
- C. Introduce for the first reading by title only Ordinance No. 3204-20**

**CONTACT: JOHN LA ROCK, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR**

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to open the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Community Services Director John La Rock gave a report and discussed the following:

- Certain parks to allow dogs
- Municipal Code Amendment – Regulations
- Public Works to install and apply dog waste dispensers
- Community Services Department – educational campaign
- First reading and introduce by title only Ordinance No. O-3204-20

In response to Councilmember Gran regarding having this go into effect for one year and then reassess at that time, Senior Deputy City Attorney Jillian Martins stated Council can include a sunset provision into the



ordinance which would indicate it is effective for one year. She also said a referral to staff could be considered regarding any amendments or being repealed in full, not requiring a change of the ordinance.

Community Services Director La Rock referred to the education campaign taking place and costs, and suggested including at the next Strategic Plan Session a six-month objective to revisit the status and impact of the modified ordinance regarding dogs in parks.

Councilmember Gran expressed concern with enforcement not taking place.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about dog friendly and what it means. Community Services Director La Rock stated this would include where dogs are allowed and the rules are being followed.

Councilmember Nehrenheim also supported dog licensing revenue.

Councilmember Horvath suggested passing this tonight with direction that staff come back in a year.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Dr. Andrew Lesser supported the ordinance and capturing license fees for dogs.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comments:

Linda Witteman supported the amendment to Title 4 of Chapter 35 to allow dogs in Redondo Beach parks.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Councilmember Gran stated the code will be changed with an ordinance and supported having a sunset clause, bringing the public into the process.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim to close the public hearing.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to introduce by title only Ordinance No. O-3204-20 and to come back to Council in one year from the effective date of the ordinance for reevaluation. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

City Clerk Manzano read by title only Ordinance No. O-3204-20.

**M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PERVIOUS AGENDAS – NONE**

**N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION**

**N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CIRCLES  
INSTALLED AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF FIRMONA AVENUE AT FISK LANE, SPRECKELS  
LANE, AND ARMOUR LANE.**

**CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

City Traffic Engineer Kim gave a report and discussed the following:

- Background

- Firmona Avenue Average 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed Data
- Firmona Avenue Average Daily Traffic Data
- Questionnaire Responses and Results
- Firmona Avenue Corridor Temporary Traffic Circles Evaluation – Fiscal Impact and Recommendation

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Roberto Fonseca supported all way stop signs which is consistent with the graphic shown before and would address safety in the neighborhood.

April Kubachkia, 2718 Spreckels Lane, noted concerns with the safety of children crossing safely and supported an all way stop.

Ian Phillips expressed concern with safety of the children and the overall speed of traffic.

Sally Marshall, Armour Lane, opposed a traffic circle and stated Firmona is a very small street. She said traffic has not slowed down, does not go around the circle, goes through the traffic circle, parking is impacted, and she suggested an all way stop.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comments:

Kim Binegar opposed the traffic circle which has caused an increase in car speeds, impacts to intersection safety for all pedestrians, reduction of parking, and she supported a 4-way stop and gradual speed bumps.

Adriana Fonseca, Spreckels Lane and Firmona Avenue, noted since the removal of the stop sign, there has been yelling from drivers, speeding, people taking the wrong direction, fire trucks and moving trucks getting stuck and her RV getting stuck. She said pedestrians cannot be seen and expressed concern with the loss of parking. She expressed concern with more impacts from the new development in the 190<sup>th</sup> area and supported all way stop signs on Firmona Avenue at three crossings – Armour Lane, Spreckels Lane and Fisk Lane; no turn signs on 190<sup>th</sup> Street and Firmona Avenue at a given timeframe; and speed bumps on Fisk Lane and Ralston Lane.

Gena Dix, 2731 Spreckels Lane, stated the traffic circle does not slow traffic, expressed concern with the safety of children crossing the street, and stated cars do not stop for pedestrians. She also noted 190<sup>th</sup> cut through traffic and supported 4-way stop signs at each intersection with clearly designated crosswalks, and signage stating no cut through from high traffic hours into the neighborhood. She also supported signage designating children are at play, reduce speed and to have police presence.

Janet Lindquist supported removing the traffic circles immediately which have caused problems in the neighborhood and have become a target of vandalism.

Fernando Garcia, Fisk Lane, expressed concern with driving in the neighborhood being more hazardous since cars are no longer required to stop and entering the roundabout at high speeds. He also expressed concern with the safety of pedestrians and cars not stopping. He supported 4 way stops at all intersections which are safer.

Brenda Garcia, Fisk Lane, opposed the traffic circles which have not improved safety, noting confusion on who has the right-of-way. She said traffic does not slow down and the roundabouts produce a false sense of safety and take up space. She requested the traffic circles be removed.

Aubrey Neilson stated the traffic circles have not been effective slowing traffic down and stated stop signs at the corners of Fisk Lane, Spreckels Lane and Armour Lane would have a greater impact on the safety of their neighborhood.



Dana Matsuno, corner of Spreckels and Firmona, stated the traffic circles have made the street more dangerous due to confusion. She supported the removal of the circles and adding 4-way stops to each intersection, speed bumps at Armour and Spreckels and a 4-way stop at Fisk Lane as was originally in place. She expressed concern with the safety of children and others and noted unsafe driving and speeding. She reviewed her concerns and opposed turning restrictions leaving the neighborhood southbound and Firmona turning left on 190<sup>th</sup>.

Will Binegar, Firmona Avenue and Spreckels Lane, supported removal of the traffic circles which have increased the risk to vehicles and pedestrians, speeding traffic north and south not stopping, maintaining speed and wiggling into the crosswalk area, and right of way being a confusion for drivers. He also expressed concern with the loss of parking which will worsen. He supported 4-way stops at each intersection, which will allow crosswalks to be normalized, vehicles will slow, vehicular safety would be increased and he did not support time of day restrictions or the light.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Councilmember Horvath thanked the residents, noted an entire neighborhood study and the traffic circles were just one of the traffic calming measures, and pointed out that major concern was cut through traffic. He suggested keeping the traffic circles, noting speeds and volumes have dropped significantly, suggested proper signage and striping, and addressing the safety concerns.

Public Works Director Semaan stated the driver component is a significant part of the safety and vigilance is the key at the intersections, but also noted that unmarked crosswalks could be addressed.

City Traffic Engineer Kim also stated it is important that awareness should be exercised by the driver but signage and other alternatives could be considered when going to a more permanent construction.

Councilmember Horvath suggested keeping the traffic circle in place since it's working, but a 4-way stop at each of the intersections could be considered per the request of the respondents tonight.

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding collecting speed and data on an ongoing basis, Public Works Director Semaan stated staff could return in six months after the installation with some data.

Councilmember Horvath thanked Public Works Director Semaan and City Traffic Engineer Kim for their time and energy on this project.

Councilmember Gran noted the numbers dropping significantly yet the neighborhood is not agreeing. City Traffic Engineer Kim explained the counts and collecting data and said Firmona Avenue did see a drop in volume.

Public Works Director Semaan believed that traffic counts dropped on Firmona Avenue due to traffic staying on the major streets versus going through the traffic circle.

Councilmember Loewenstein supported traffic circles but it is obvious the circles are not working when hearing the concerns of the residents who live there.

Councilmember Horvath suggested obtaining tests before the speed humps and turning restriction signs are installed.

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to install all-way stop controls on Firmona Avenue at Fisk Lane, Spreckels Lane and Armour Lane, and have staff come back with a report in one year after the installation. 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 THE TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CIRCLE  
INSTALLED AT THE INTERSECTION OF RUBY STREET AND GERTRUDA AVENUE.  
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

City Traffic Engineer Kim gave a report and discussed the following:

- Background
- Ruby Street Average 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed Data
- Ruby Street Average Daily Traffic Data
- Questionnaire Responses
- Fiscal Impact
- Firmona Avenue Corridor Temporary Traffic Circles Evaluation – Recommendation

Councilmember Nehrenheim reviewed the concerns and asked if a 4-way stop sign would help reduce the speed. Public Works Director Semaan stated that stop signs are not considered speed control devices, noting traffic sometimes pickup speed in between the stop signs.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, City Traffic Engineer Kim stated Ruby at Francisca was considered for a traffic circle which is existing as an all-way stop, the intersection at Helberta and Ruby couldn't be considered due to sight visibility, and Pearl and Gertruda wasn't a location considered as part of the initial traffic circle program. He also said another location to consider would be Pearl and Lucia.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Dr. Andrew Lesser expressed concern with a traffic circle at Ruby and Gertruda, and Pearl and Gertruda would be even worse. He said Ruby has become more dangerous and people are speeding, noting some of the volume has gone to Pearl. He said an all-way stop would only cost \$3500 and supported an all-way stop at Ruby and Gertruda and a stop sign on Pearl in both directions at Gertruda and to just enforce them.

Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comments:

CeeCee Murphy noted a hazardous situation from the circle at Ruby and Gertruda and suggested replacing the two-way stop signs or ideally install a four-way stop. He supported removing the traffic circle.

Wayne Craig observed confusion from the sign markings and sight impacts from the sun and recommended a traffic study to show if cars are actually slowing down.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to remove the temporary traffic circle at S. Gertruda and Ruby and replace it with an all-way stop control, and to come back to the Public Works Commission with a report for alternate locations for a traffic circle installation to be followed up to Council for final approval. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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



**N.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE USE OF FORCE POLICY OF THE REDONDO BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT.**  
**CONTACT: KEITH KAUFFMAN, CHIEF OF POLICE**

Chief Kauffman gave a presentation and discussed the following:

- Use of Force Policy
- Established in Federal Law by the US Supreme Court (case Brennon v. Conner)
- Force – objectively reasonable
- Force – Tennessee v. Gardner
- Each state force policies also established by state law (AB392)
- SB230
- Certification
- Force can be used if objectively reasonable given the totality of the circumstance as perceived by the officer at the time
- Factors when looking at the level of force
- Deadly force
  - Protect him/herself or others
  - Apprehend of a person threatened by death or serious bodily injury
- Reporting system
- Level of transparency – force usage posted on website
- 67,000 police incidents a year in Redondo Beach – 180 uses of force on average over last three years
- One use of force out of policy, five required additional training, six officer involved shootings over the last five years (three not in Redondo Beach)
- Communication to public and public feedback
- People trust the police in Redondo Beach – gone up by 6 points since May
- Training of officers (force huge focus)
- Training based on de-escalation
- Mental illness/disabilities/homelessness taken very seriously
- Creation of a policy/change of force policy problematic if have not gone through the legislative process
- Concern – policies changed and impacting officers the ability to do their jobs

Mayor Brand noted things happen fast and split-second decisions have to take place, along with training, discipline and constant vigilance.

Mayor Brand referred to SB230 which passed last year but didn't get signed into law. Chief Kauffman stated it involves training, and time is needed to wrap up the policies and train the officers to this standard. He said it was done in conjunction with 392 at the request of law enforcement and becomes enacted January 2021.

Councilmember Emdee asked about the 900 hours of training over six months compared to other police departments. Chief Kauffman stated this is on the high level of the standard but noted this is just the police academy. He said an additional few weeks of pre-academy training takes place and then training again for about five or six additional months learning the job. He believed the City is operating within the absolute best practices and the standard set is very high.

Councilmember Emdee suggested having a more diverse group of people in the training videos and their reactions. Chief Kauffman stated the technology is 20 years old and supported a newer system going forward. He also said they have implicit bias training.

Councilmember Loewenstein supported keeping track of the stats and suggested a better job displaying them to include use of force and demographics. Chief Kauffman stated they are working with IT to change the formatting, and also noted there is a transparency link.



Councilmember Loewenstein asked about the investigation of a serious incident and having a civilian review board. Chief Kauffman stated they review every use of force in the City and anything out of policy prompts an additional internal affairs investigation which is done by the Police Department. He noted not many internal affair complaints are from the public, noting half are generated inside. He also referred to SB1421 regarding the violation of a force policy and all information would have to be given to the public. He further referred to the process of discipline, and a large city would have a dedicated full-time independent review panel. He said if the City has a significant use of force, it would be turned over to another agency with a third party review and district attorney investigation.

Councilmember Loewenstein stated money is going toward mental health, especially with the homeless, employing mental health experts. Chief Kauffman stated the officers on the street police the community with absolute compassion.

Councilmember Nehrenheim thanked Chief Kauffman and supported the use of force policy and asked about the policy regarding letting out a video. Chief Kauffman stated California legislative has determined the law which has affected the City's policy. He said SB1421 addresses the additional checks and balances of release of information and said there is a sister bill addressing the release of video, specifically with respect to a specific incident. He said the general rule is having 45 days to release a video and is posted online, being as transparent as possible.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about the de-escalation training. Chief Kauffman referred to 309.9 in the Use of Force Policy which is a section on de-escalation prior to the use of a taser, and said it is important not to create an impossible standard for officers not being able to react. He also said they report force-related activity to the state directly and death-related officer involved shooting statistics go directly to the FBI. He explained there is no form of process necessary regarding personnel complaints which goes directly to internal affairs. He encouraged any issues with a police officer should be addressed after the incident takes place. He agreed that cities due have civilian oversight commissions but reminded that objective reasonableness is determined by a reasonable officer at the scene at the time. He also explained there is a policy in place regarding using an outside agency handling an investigation.

Councilmember Horvath asked how people can get involved to gain a more intimate understanding of what makes the Redondo Beach Police Department safe compared to other police departments. Chief Kauffman reviewed their outreach resources, encouraged community engagement and supported being proactive and transparent and having resident interaction.

Councilmember Horvath announced a COG board meeting this Thursday night from 6 to 8 p.m. with discussions regarding elected official interactions and police chiefs.

Mayor Brand supported engaging more closely with police officers and the department, outreach and openness.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Dr. Andrew Lesser supported Chief Kauffman and the Police Department and being compassionate regarding the homeless. He also informed of 252 use of force applications in 2019 with only one out of policy. He also suggested filing complaints as needed rather than arguing with a police officer.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comments:

Gigi Ramirez expressed concern with lack of trust between citizens and police, excessive and unreasonable use of force, and not being transparent. She asked what tactics have been adjusted over the last eight years and the results, training, forceful techniques, investigations, citizen oversight committee, forces out of policy and charges, and weapons/devices.



Peter Aziz asked about the training and level of tactics, expressed concern with impacts to Arab and Muslim communities and use of force, and supported transparency regarding salaries.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

In response to Mayor Brand, Chief Kauffman supported transparency and reviewed the training for de-escalation and force situations.

Mayor Brand encouraged people to get involved with the Police Academy.

**N.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROVIDING BUILDING DIVISION APPLICANT WITH OPTION OF THIRD PARTY BUILDING PLAN CHECKING SERVICES**  
**CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

Community Development Director Brandy Forbes gave a report regarding an expedited plan check process to include the following:

- Background of the process
- Building Plan Check Background on Process and Staffing
- Building Plan Check Current Fee Schedule and Past Practice
- Building Plan Check Expediting Impacts to Fee Schedule and Contracts
- Coordination and Fiscal Impact

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding the Manhattan Beach/EI Segundo 50% fee versus Torrance, Community Development Director Brandy Forbes supported the 50% fee which she believed is appropriate and is in the current Fee Schedule already. She also supported the competitive process which would be beneficial to the City obtaining reasonable rates and to restructure the contract with outside consulting firms.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom. There being no comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, to direct staff to follow the Manhattan Beach/EI Segundo extra 50% fee and to go out for an RFP to find firms willing to do expedited plan checks.

Amended Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim to include the fee structure from Torrance and Manhattan Beach regarding residential versus commercial. Councilmembers Nehrenheim and Emdee accepted the amendment.

Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

**N.5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL CODE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES.**  
**CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

Community Development Director Forbes gave a report on supplemental code enforcement services and discussed the following:

- Background

- Code enforcement background on process and staffing
- Current code enforcement staffing and budget
- Comparison of outside contract, part time employment, and overtime for supplemental enforcement – targeting leaf blowers
  - Current enforcement of leaf blower ordinance
  - Training requirements
  - Costs of additional leaf blower ordinance enforcement
  - Revenues
- Coordination
- Fiscal impact

In response to Mayor Brand, Community Development Director Forbes stated the first offense is \$100.

City Attorney Webb stated the City revenue is approximately 15% but there are no costs covered. He suggested using a part-time person and also looking at the citation section in the muni code. He also cautioned regarding use of force when someone refuses to comply.

Mayor Brand suggested using an outside agency for a month or two such as 40 hours a week for two months. Community Development Director Forbes stated this would cost \$41,600. City Attorney Webb also noted there would be court costs.

Councilmember Loewenstein noted only having one enforcement officer for the whole City, expressed concern with lack of enforcement, and suggested outsourcing.

City Attorney Webb suggested a misdemeanor for a second offense.

Councilmember Gran believed a two-month temporary enforcement would not solve the problem and supported an opportunity to enforce it and making homeowners responsible for allowing a leaf blower on their property.

Councilmember Horvath supported Council passing the leaf blower ban and plastic ban, trying to change policy and shift the direction of the City. He expressed concern with having only two enforcement officers for a city of 67,000 residents and suggested bringing back a conversation regarding bolstering the Code Enforcement Division in the City. He also noted other potential resources to gain revenue from those not in compliance.

Councilmember Emdee suggested that this item be brought back at a future Council meeting for further discussion.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comments:

Deborah Sieker supported the leaf blower ban and stated citations should be issued when violations are witnessed. She also suggested an arrest and firearms training course for staff.

Elaine Sieker supported issuing citations to property owners which would incentivize hiring gardeners that would comply with the ban ordinance.

Dana Matsuno opposed the leaf blower ban and suggested the City use time, money and resources in much better areas.



David Waldner encouraged having an outside contractor which would allow them to demonstrate their effectiveness on a trial basis for a period of one year.

Peter Aziz asked about incentives for the penalty and impacts to local gardeners. He supported giving an incentive rather than penalizing the small gardening businesses.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Councilmember Nehrenheim asked about the penalty for not having a business license. City Attorney Webb stated it is a misdemeanor not having a business license.

Councilmember Nehrenheim expressed concern with lack of enforcement in the City and enforcement should not be held up due to cost recovery. He also suggested focusing in on issues such as on the Esplanade.

## **N.6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CARES ACT BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS.**

**CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

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

- Reimbursement Agreement
- Clarification requested:
  - What costs should be reimbursable – outdoor dining, COVID-related outdoor space or any COVID-related expenditure
  - Parties to be reimbursed – recommendation – reimburse whoever made the purchase
  - \$50K (RV) and \$20K (Artesia/Aviation) distributions if there are more requests in funding - first-come, first serve basis, request prioritize by expenditure type, or any other method

Councilmember Gran stated he visited the businesses on Artesia and Aviation and dropped off a flyer regarding expenses being reimbursed. He reviewed the businesses which all have expenses incurred. He reviewed the motion made at the last meeting which was focused on eating establishments. He stated all of the businesses that he visited were interested being reimbursed due to a variety of expenses. He said he visited at least 21 stores which all were different types of businesses that had some level of expenses to keep them in business.

City Attorney Webb suggested a discussion regarding the Riviera Village BID paying the businesses back.

Finance Director Ruhland suggested language regarding expenses to state “necessary expenditures incurred are due to the COVID 19 public health emergency.”

Councilmember Nehrenheim noted all activities are outdoors and all businesses should be included in the Riviera Village. He also suggested prioritizing future expenses first and then past expenses if there is money left over, and the BID to provide the City a receipt that they actually paid the money within 30 days.

City Attorney Webb stated prioritizing future expenses first is different from first-come, first-serve, and questioned how long the waiting period would be for any future expenses to come in before they are reimbursed. He suggested the money will be dispersed if the RV BID does an eligible application anytime between now and October 1 and if not, they can submit for past eligible expenses October 1 and after, which includes all City permitted outdoor-related issues.

In response to Finance Director Ruhland, City Attorney Webb clarified that nothing will be paid for anything done before today unless as of October 1, there is still money left of the \$50K which can be paid for any applications prior to August 18 expenses.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom. There being no comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, for the Artesia Boulevard and Aviation Boulevard corridor, that the program is capped at \$2500 for any one business, on a first-come, first-serve basis, and that the priority be on restaurants if a business goes over the \$2500 cap.

Senior Deputy City Attorney Martins read the details of the motion to include, with concurrence of mover/seconder, as follows:

Monies associated with the Artesia/Aviation corridor:

- Not to exceed cap of \$2500 per business
- Expansion of the parameters for reimbursement regarding "necessary expenditures incurred due to the COVID-19 public health emergency" – language from CARES Act agreement
- Submission to financial services
- First-come, first serve
- Direct reimbursement agreement for past expenses

Monies associated with Riviera Village area:

- Reimbursement for future expenses beginning today August 18, 2020 through October 1, 2020
- Proof of payment of the costs within 30 days of approval by the City
- Reimbursement for City-permitted outdoor uses for "necessary expenditures incurred due to the COVID-19 public health emergency" – language from CARES Act agreement
- Second priority would be after October 1, 2020
- Only through the BID
- City is reimbursing as soon as proof is shown that the expenditure took place

Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

Public Works Director Semaan informed that there are direct expenditures by the business owner not going through the BID.

## **O. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**

### **O.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CITY'S LOCAL EMERGENCY PERTAINING TO COVID-19**

**RECEIVE AND FILE THE CITY'S CURRENT SUMMARY OF EMERGENCY ORDERS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION IF NEEDED**

**CONTACT: JOE HOEFGEN, CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Hoefgen gave a report and discussed the restrictions in place. He suggested resuming enforcement of the parking related to street sweeping, issue warnings on August 24 and lift the restriction and start writing tickets on September 14. He also said the County of LA has satisfied 5 of the 6 state indicators for reopening except for the case rate per 100,000 over the course of 14 days which should be less than 100, and LA County is 295.



Councilmember Horvath suggested giving people at least a month's notice regarding warnings for parking and street sweeping.

Councilmember Nehrenheim supported parking enforcement coming back, noting noncompliance is taking place.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comment:

Jeff Ginsburg stated the RVA supports Council and staff with their assistance with the outdoor dining and sidewalk sales, the \$50K of funds allocated to the RV parklets and hydrology study, and the bike racks. He said the RVA is hopeful that the special event permit can be extended through 03-31-21 and supported planning ahead for approval. He said their goal is to make it through COVID-19 as problem free as possible.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment periods.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to receive and file the City's current summary of emergency orders. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

City Manager Hoefgen stated there will be an item at the next Council meeting regarding the next Strategic Planning session.

## **P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS**

### **P.1. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DESIGNATING THE VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR 2020 LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO FORWARD THE VOTING DELEGATE FORM**

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to designate Councilmember Gran as the voting delegate and Councilmember Emdee as the alternate for 2020 League of California Cities Annual Conference and authorize the City Clerk to forward the voting delegate form. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

### **P.2. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION REGARDING PROCESS OF SELECTING HARBOR COMMISSIONER FROM A LIST OF NAMES SUBMITTED BY THE HARBOR AND PIER LESSEES**

City Attorney Webb gave a report and said the ordinance is in need of change to include removing the requirement, information from the harbor pier lessees or communicating to the lessees directly. He encouraged providing direction to modify the ordinance.

Councilmember Horvath referred to #B in the ordinance and asked if it applies to reappointments as well as a new appointment. City Attorney Webb believed it doesn't distinguish between the two and believed every time the term is up, an application would take place along with a submission of a list of not less than five names.

Councilmember Horvath suggested modifying the language to state something related to either the King Harbor Association, Pier Association and/or any future representative of the harbor and pier leases in conjunction with the Waterfront Development Director.

City Attorney Webb stated an organization can be chosen, to have the Waterfront Development Director ask all the master lessees as of July 1, picking five, or just do away with it. He did not support lumping them all together.

Waterfront and Economic Development Director Stephen Proud stated the only obligation under the leasehold is to be a member of one of the organizations which do not have to be tied geographically.

City Attorney Webb suggested naming two organizations as of July 1, requested by the Waterfront and Development Director of the King Harbor Association, and the Pier Association to submit no fewer than five names for the Mayor to consider subject to Council confirmation.

Councilmember Nehrenheim expressed concern with relying on outside third party organizations and suggested leaving it up to the Mayor. He supported removing the entire ordinance.

In response to Councilmember Gran, City Attorney Webb stated that HAPLA was never in the ordinance but was the mechanism of finding out the list that was approved by the majority of the lessees but the last letter wasn't even signed. He suggested a draft keeping the requirement intact either through the Association or making it at will.

Councilmember Loewenstein supported removing #B from the ordinance or this item could be tabled.

Councilmember Emdee agreed but said the idea is to have representation from all the different stakeholders in the area and this is lost when taken away from the leaseholders.

Waterfront and Economic Development Director Stephen Proud stated this is a referral made to determine whether HAPLA had standing and not specifically called out as part of the ordinance. He believed the list was not vetted by the Pier Association and was submitted by the King Harbor Association, but a discussion has not taken place yet due to COVID.

Mayor Brand suggested representation from the Harbor and Pier Lessees.

Councilmember Emdee supported some kind of representation and supported the lessees submit names.

City Attorney Webb stated the City will reach out to the Harbor and Pier Master Lessees, each submitting no more than three names to the Mayor by July 31 and the Mayor would pick any of the names. He said if there is a total of less than five names that qualify, it would become an at large position.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following eComment comment:

Mark Hansen stated that in the past, the longtime President of the King Harbor Association, JoAnn Turk, would in consultation with the Pier Association, send the recommendation to the Mayor. He recommended vesting this duty with the KH Association, to get the representation of their leaseholders. Note that the recent President of the KH Association, Jeff Perkins, had to leave, and that probably slowed down the response.

There being no further comments, Mayor Brand closed the public comment period.



Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to remove #B from the ordinance and make it a general appointment, that the City reach out to the Harbor and Pier Master Lessees as stated by the City Attorney, each submitting no more than three names to the Mayor by July 31 and the Mayor would pick any of the names, and if there is a total of less than five names that qualify, it would become an at large position.

Substitute Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Emdee, that the King Harbor Association, in consultation with the Pier Association, submit a list of five names total and if they submit less than five, the Mayor's appointment would become an at large position for that term.

Amended Motion carried, with the following roll call vote:

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

### **P.3. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAYOR APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

This item was continued.

### **Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF**

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to discuss investments such as Phillip Morris and other investments in the Investment Policy by the end of October. Motion carried with the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to agendize a discussion item related to pursuing the public amenities in the waterfront before the Strategic Plan meeting. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

### **R. CLOSED SESSION – NONE**

### **S. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – NONE**

### **T. ADJOURNMENT: 12:55 A.M.**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 a.m., August 19, 2020 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, September 1, 2020, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 415 Diamond Street, Redondo Beach, California, via teleconference. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk