



Minutes
Redondo Beach City Council
Tuesday, January 19, 2021
Closed Session - Adjourned Regular Meeting 4:30 p.m. - CANCELLED
Open Session - Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

A. CALL MEETING 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 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 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 thanked the Police Department for their help with the MLK celebration and yesterday's video and also expressed concern with lawsuits taking place.

Councilmember Loewenstein also thanked the Police Department for yesterday's video and announced that he will be having his District 2 Community Meeting in February.

Councilmember Horvath announced his Community Meeting this Thursday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Zoom with Chief Kauffman discussing public safety, crime stats and general concerns. He also stated he spoke at the SCAG meeting last week regarding the RHNA appeal where it was promised they will start addressing some of the main issues regarding the formulation and allocations. He also said Congressman Lieu had a meeting today discussing the VA and West LA related to housing, the project and multiple phases.

Councilmember Gran thanked Public Works for their help in the City.

Councilmember Emdee referred to the appeals meeting and noted the City of Redondo Beach was the only city they would even consider. She also noted that the vaccines are now available to those 65 and older.

Mayor Brand reviewed SCAG and RHNA, lack of local control, housing and the veterans. He suggested contacting the Beach Cities Health District regarding the vaccines at 310 374-3426 x256, thanked the Police Department regarding the MLK celebration and also expressed concern with the lawsuits.

E. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously, with no objections.

F. AGENCY RECESS: 6:14 p.m.

F.1. SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

RECONVENE: 6:16 p.m.

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

G. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS

Motion by Councilmember Loewenstein, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to receive and file additional materials for Items H.11, H.13, H.15, J.1, L.1, and N.2. 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 REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2021
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 27101-27101 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,568.63, PD.12/24/2020
DIRECT DEPOSIT 230684-230687 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,151.63, PD. 12/24/2020
CHECKS 27102-27124 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,463.47, PD. 01/08/2021
DIRECT DEPOSIT 230688-231119 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,864,951.06, PD. 01/08/2021
CHECKS 27125-27126 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$221.79, PD. 01/08/2021
DIRECT DEPOSIT 231128-231133, \$30,233.89, PD. 01/08/2021
EFT/ACH \$7,476.79, PD. 12/24/2020 (PP2026)
EFT/ACH \$6,674.32, PD. 01/08/2021 (PP2101)
EFT/ACH \$407,780.31, PD. 01/12/2021 (PP2026)
EFT/ACH \$344,893.79, PD. 01/13/2021 (PP2101)

REPLACEMENT DEMANDS 231120-231127

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEMANDS
CHECKS 97337-97531 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,565,371.12

REPLACEMENT DEMANDS 97336

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

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

- 1. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH DIANE CLEARY FOR MINUTES SECRETARY SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35.00 PER HOUR FOR THE TERM OF JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2021.**
- 2. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH GLICKSMAN CONSULTING LLC FOR ACTUARIAL SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,999 FOR THE TERM JULY 2, 2020 TO JULY 31, 2021.
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

**H.5. APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE, JOB NO. 20770
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

H.6. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2101-008, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, LEASING CERTAIN PROPERTY TO CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY REDONDO BEACH, A CALIFORNIA 501 (C)(3) NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

**APPROVE A LEASE WITH CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY REDONDO BEACH FOR THE PREMISES AT 121 W. TORRANCE BOULEVARD, SUITE 201 FOR A MONTHLY AMOUNT OF \$2,467.76 FOR THE TERM JANUARY 19, 2021 – JANUARY 19, 2022
CONTACT: STEPHEN PROUD, WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

**H.7. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH HITECH SYSTEMS INC. DBA PULSIAM FOR SAFETYNET REPORTING SERVER SOFTWARE AND DATA MIGRATION SERVICES FOR THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$51,845.60 FOR THE TERM JANUARY 19, 2021 TO JANUARY 18, 2022.
CONTACT: CHRISTOPHER BENSON, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR**

**H.8. APPROVE THE NINTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH KOSMONT & ASSOCIATES, INC FOR REAL ESTATE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FOR A NOT-TO-EXCEED TOTAL OF \$1.445M AND EXTENDING TERM TO DECEMBER 31, 2021
CONTACT: STEPHEN PROUD, WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DIRECTOR**

**H.9. APPROVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY AT 3615 INGLEWOOD AVENUE, REDONDO BEACH (PARTIAL FEE ACQUISITION) AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR SOUTHBOUND INGLEWOOD AVENUE RIGHT TURN AT MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD PROJECT, JOB NO. 40960
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

**H.10. APPROVE THE 2021 BUDGET CALENDAR
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

H.11. APPROVE AMENDMENT #4 TO FUNDING AGREEMENT NO. FA.P00F3502 BETWEEN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (METRO) FOR THE REDONDO BEACH BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT, AWARDED THROUGH THE METRO 2009 CALL FOR PROJECTS AND APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE REDONDO BEACH BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT, JOB NO. 40940-40945 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK TO ADVERTISE THE PROJECT FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS UPON COMPLETION OF E-76 AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

H.12. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 BY AND BETWEEN MRI SOFTWARE LLC AND THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.

APPROVE THE ORDER DOCUMENT NO. 2 AMENDING THE ORDER DOCUMENT DATED AND THE MASTER AGREEMENT MARCH 1, 2020 BETWEEN MRI AND THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH FOR THE AMOUNT NOT EXCEED \$52,655 FOR THE TERM OF JANUARY 01, 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025.

CONTACT: ANGELICA ZAVALA, HOUSING SUPERVISOR

H.13. PULLED BY MAYOR BRAND FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

H.14. APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CITY NET TO ADD NAVIGATION SERVICES FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN REDONDO BEACH FOR THE EXISTING TERM OF SIX MONTHS

CONTACT: MICHAEL W. WEBB, CITY ATTORNEY

H.15. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER FOR CITY'S USE OF COUNTY-OWNED BALLOT DROP-OFF BOXES FOR MARCH 2, 2021 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION BALLOTS

CONTACT: ELEANOR MANZANO, CITY CLERK

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

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to approve Consent Calendar items H.1 through H.15, with the exclusion of H.13. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

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

I. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

H.13. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2101-012, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A LOCAL SALES TAX REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT AND A SALES TAX SHARING IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT FOR THE REDONDO MITSUBISHI DEALERSHIP LOCATED JOINTLY IN REDONDO BEACH AND HERMOSA BEACH

CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

At the request of Mayor Brand, City Manager Hoefgen gave a staff report and stated the site has been privately owned both jointly with part in Hermosa Beach and Redondo Beach. He said the City opted not to buy the site, and said the prior dealership was a Land Rover dealership with a sales tax sharing arrangement for the site and the site was then closed. There is currently a Mitsubishi dealership on the site now, and 47% of the land is owned by Hermosa Beach and 53% owned by Redondo Beach, and the agreement memorializes the sales tax being split at 53% to Redondo Beach and 47% to Hermosa Beach.

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

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2101-012. 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 Resolution No. CC-2101-012.

J. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Brand called for public comment via eComment and Zoom.

Holly Osborne stated she has attended every RHNA Appeals Board meetings thus far, did not support any premature upzoning to accommodate the large RHNA, stated the Appeals Boards has denied but with great reluctance, believing their hands are tied, operating under a very narrow set of guidelines, being forced to design a city and to do it badly. She said they believe the smaller RHNA numbers are more accurate and will be going to HCD sometime after the appeals process is over, possibly this Friday or Monday. She noted that Huntington Beach appealed regarding the high quality transit area and are coming back on Friday for reconsideration.

Zein Obagi Jr. clarified that the recall was against Councilmember Gran because he voted against the study to find out what can be benefited from county services and the cost and liabilities for the long term.

Eugene Solomon stated the fishing pier has been surveyed and supported in the past and clarified that Ruby's closed due to COVID and has a location in Palos Verdes, not from Measure C putting them out of business. He expressed concern with truth decay and elected officials not providing the entire truth. He also noted members of the community running for election, spoke on no developer in the harbor because of Measure C, but noted that someone just bought the AES for \$200M+ and also took on leases on the fishing pier. He further noted misinformation regarding Measure C and issues with the project for Measure G and not being compliant. He also said CenterCal never made the corrections for the substantial issues and deficiencies.

Chief Deputy City Clerk Kroneberger read the following comment via eComment:

Maggie Healy expressed concern with paying for Councilmember Nehrenheim costs and defense regarding an incident at a Riviera Village restaurant.

Mayor Brand informed that Council cannot respond to public participation comments due to the Brown Act.

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

K. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Horvath disclosed discussions with staff.

Councilmember Gran disclosed discussions with Councilmember Horvath, staff and Mr. Madani.

Councilmember Emdee disclosed discussions with staff in Closed Session.

Mayor Brand disclosed discussions with staff and the property owner.

L. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- L.1. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS FROM 1700 ARTESIA BLVD. ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2101-011, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION THEREOF IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE AVIATION BLVD. AT ARTESIA BLVD. NORTHBOUND RIGHT TURN LANE PROJECT, JOB NO. 40780 (PART FEE TAKE AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT OVER PORTIONS OF APN 4162-001-014)**

PROCEDURES:

A. Open Public Hearing, take testimony; and

B. Close Public Hearing; and

C. Adopt by Title only Resolution No. CC-2101-011

CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to open the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously with no objections.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to receive and file additional material. Motion carried unanimously with no objections.

City Attorney Webb indicated that legal fees are taken and paid for out of transportation fees and are totally reimbursable.

City Engineer Andy Winje gave a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the following:

- Project Background and History
- Dedicated Right Turn Lane Design
- Proposed Property Acquisition
- Design Considerations
- Project Justification
- Need for the Resolution
- Required Findings for Resolution
- Summary of Staff Recommendation

Outside Legal Counsel Regina Danner gave a report and discussed the following:

- Adopt Resolution Necessity – City Council needs to make four findings (reviewed)
- Agenda Report – supports each finding and incorporated as part of the record
- City Council consider the Resolution, receive the Agenda Report, take any public testimony, consider all evidence and determine the adoption of the Resolution Necessity, required 4/5th vote of the City Council
- If adopted, Council authorize the City Attorney's Office to file and prosecute eminent domain proceedings

In response to Mayor Brand, City Engineer Winje explained that the intersection currently is an F intersection.

Glenn Block, California Eminent Domain Law Group, representing Mr. and Mrs. Mike and Florence Madani and owners of the property at 1700 Artesia Boulevard, discussed the following:

- Owners have owned business since 1991 and owned the property since 1995
- Traffic at the intersection – Mr. Madani at the property everyday and observing the traffic
- Mr. Madani voiced objection to the project as it not needed

- Before Council tonight Resolution and Necessity to authorize the City's taking the involuntary sale of the property from the Madani's, exercising power of eminent domain
- City can only adopt resolution if it makes each and all of four required findings and determining that substantial evidence supports each of the findings
- Mr. and Mrs. Madani object to the proposed Resolution of Necessity on the grounds that the public interest and necessity do not require the project because it will not provide a meaningful improvement to the intersection, and the project is not planned or located in the manner most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury because there is a reasonable alternative to the project (presented by Mr. Brian Stevenson of Rick Engineering)
- The City's adoption of a Resolution of Necessity in the absence of substantial evidence would constitute a gross abuse of discretion and negate the resolution
- Does not identify the northbound right turn lane as a proposed improvement
- Artesia and Aviation Boulevard not identified as a problematic intersection
- Project does not provide any meaningful improvement
- Project doesn't meet traffic engineering standards
- Greatest public good and least private injury - law states the City must consider alternatives
- No relevance tonight - Planning Commission rejecting the right turn dedication in 1997
- Development of the gas station was done without contemplation of the right turn lane
- Concern with City pre-committing the Council without consideration of evidence tonight
- Project identified in county government plan as a priority 1 project – mischaracterization and misleading

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Gran, to allow Mr. Stephenson 6 minutes to speak. Motion carried unanimously, with no objections.

Brian Stephenson, Rick Engineering, gave a report and discussed the following:

- Turn lanes
- Level of service
- Traffic volumes
- Queuing analysis
- Right turn volumes
- No more than 300 vehicles per hour in the left lane
- Alternative projects to achieve improvements without the need to acquire private property
 - Install dual two westbound left turn lanes at the intersection
 - Vehicles per hour
 - Dual left turn lanes and through lanes can fit in the existing curb to curb width along Artesia Blvd. without the need for acquiring extra property
 - Level of service E in the morning and F in the evening with roughly a 30 second betterment for the pm peak hours
- Conclusion
 - City's PSRE analysis shows that the right-turn project does not improve level of service at the intersection
 - Require take of private property and impact traffic during construction
 - Alternative analysis shows an improvement, not require taking private property, fit within the existing curb to curb width on Artesia Blvd. and serve City's own project traffic volume for left turn movement in the future

In response to Mayor Brand regarding the alternative project, Public Works Director Semaan stated this is a new alternative to consider, stated the dual left in the westbound direction doesn't alleviate any of the queuing or delays occurring in the northbound movement and does not improve the overall intersection. He also said the improvements are actually within the City of Manhattan Beach and require the elimination of parking, re-channelization of the travel lanes and alignment of the east and west lanes of the intersection in order for it

to operate properly. He also said this could be looked at further and explored with the City of Manhattan Beach.

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding the issues raised by Mr. Block, City Engineer Andy Winje spoke to the issue of the 1996 decision about the right turn lane, explained that part of the objection letter stated the injury to the business affairs, and that the project was designed for those considerations in mind.

In response to Councilmember Horvath, Public Works Director Semaan stated the Circulation Element has not been updated and is a component that has been discussed as far as the General Plan update elements occurring today.

Councilmember Horvath asked about the traffic analysis and cars pulling off of Aviation and into the parking lot and exiting as a right turn onto Artesia. Mr. Block stated Mr. Madani has not identified this as an issue. He also said there is an issue as to through traffic and back up, but not as a right turn.

Mr. Stephenson stated this wasn't taken into consideration two separate times in 2018, and the traffic counter counted vehicles at the actual intersection with the traffic signals.

Councilmember Horvath stated people are queued up but if there is a dedicated right hand turn lane, traffic would not have to turn into the Denny's or Madani's property to avoid the queuing.

Mayor Brand noted numerous public comments similar to Councilmember Horvath's observation.

In response to Mayor Brand regarding the length of the right turn lane, City Engineer Andy Winje stated it is approximately 135 feet, and stated cars would access it when getting to within 130 feet. He also said this provides a refuge for vehicles turning right that are waiting for pedestrians to cross to not interfere with a shared through right lane as there is currently.

Public Works Director Semaan clarified when the right turn lane is available, vehicles going northbound wishing to make a right turn onto Artesia serves as both a deceleration lane and the ability for the vehicle to make the right turn without impeding any of the through movement. He also explained that it allows access to the pocket during the periods when the queuing of the number two through lane is not beyond the pocket. He further said this is observed operationally allowing the through movements to go through, not looking at just numbers, getting five or six vehicles through the right turn.

In response to Councilmember Gran, City Engineer Andy Winje explained although the City is still in the letter grade F, there is improvement by 26 seconds. He said there is an improvement but not to a letter grade D.

Public Works Director Semaan noted incremental improvements, not a single improvement that would change the level of service and the project discussed tonight is a component of the overall intersection improvements. He also pointed out that 26 seconds per each vehicle is a significant savings, falling into the General Plan reduction in greenhouse gases.

Councilmember Gran referred to the Planning Commission decision in 1996 and requested clarification regarding the Madani's being told that the easements were to be there and purchased the property knowing the right turn lane may be something that comes up in the future. He also asked which conditions were pulled. City Engineer Andy Winje stated the northern most driveway condition to be closed and also a 12-foot dedication for the length of the property adjacent to Aviation.

In response to Councilmember Emdee, City Engineer Andy Winje stated the 5 feet is a temporary construction easement with 10 feet all the way across.

Councilmember Emdee stated she has also witnessed traffic going through the property in the back to turn right on Artesia with people being angry. She referred to the project being planned and located in a manner that would be most compatible with the greatest private good and least private injury. She also believed the terms are subjective with 10 feet off of a 1.26 acre property in which you can still access the pumps and landscaping between the sidewalk and the property. City Engineer Andy Winje stated most of the landscaping will be eliminated.

Public Works Director Semaan clarified that when the project site plan was prepared for the Planning Commission in the 90's, it set back everything to accommodate the right turn lane and therefore since it was constructed in the same manner, it does identify a fully functional and operational gas station originally designed to make that accommodation.

Councilmember Emdee believed the City has the findings for a resolution and requested legal opinion. City Attorney Webb suggested hearing from everyone who wants to speak on this item tonight, and ultimately it will be up to Council.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via Zoom and eComment.

Mr. Mike Madani, owner of the property, expressed concern with Council and staff having discussions and making decisions prior to this hearing, expressed concern with destroying the area and pushing away his customers, making it hard for them to get in and out. He said people going through Denny's rarely happens and said he has been there 30 years building his business. He expressed concern with shutting down 60% of his business from Aviation Boulevard and removing his sign that has been in place for over 50 years and questioned how the gasoline truck will get in and out.

Councilmember Nehrenheim disclosed he has only discussed this item in Closed Session with councilmembers and staff.

Councilmember Loewenstein disclosed he has had no discussions with other councilmembers on this item.

Councilmember Horvath disclosed he called Councilmember Gran this afternoon and spoke for a few minutes.

Councilmember Gran disclosed he spoke with Councilmember Horvath for a few minutes.

Councilmember Emdee disclosed she has not had discussions with other councilmembers on this item.

Mayor Brand also disclosed he has not had any discussions with other councilmembers on this item.

Zein Obagi Jr. asked what funding can be used for the project and any reduction in cut through traffic on Ford.

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

In response to Councilmember Horvath regarding an incremental improvement in Manhattan Beach, Public Works Director Semaan stated everyone of the dedicated lanes installed become an incremental improvement of the intersection overall.

City Traffic Engineer Kim stated the southbound right turn and northbound right turn level of service may provide some type of incremental improvement but there has been no analysis done showing both the northbound right and southbound right in conjunction.

Councilmember Horvath clarified he has not made any determination coming into this meeting ahead of time. He informed during the 5 ½+ years on Council, he has also been serving on the Transportation Commission for the South Bay Cities Council of Governments and this site has been an identified project since 2015 before he came to Council. He also informed that the regional entity Metro Board and Metro staff have identified this site as a project with regional implications.

In response to Councilmember Gran, Public Works Director Semaan stated it is important to include the conversation with the City of Manhattan Beach for consideration and believed there is an improvement for the intersection overall with their improvements.

Mr. Stephenson pointed out that the analysis with the dual left turn lanes was included in the January 5 letter addendum submitted. He also said that the southbound right turn in Manhattan Beach is included in the City's General Plan and included in their updated analysis that shows swapping out the northbound right turn lane to the dual westbound left at am peak hour can be an E and overall reducing the delay for the pm peak hour by 29.5 seconds.

Mr. Block clarified that the 2009 General Plan Circulation Element on page 28 identifies Aviation Boulevard and Artesia Boulevard referencing an eastbound right turn lane and southbound right turn lane and does not reference a northbound right turn lane. He said the alternative was presented with their letter as well as Rick Engineering and a thorough traffic analysis which is referenced in the Administrative Report. He said the eastbound left turn will improve delays in the intersection and he reviewed the updated analysis looking at both northbound and southbound. He also reviewed the alternative project which provides significant improvements to the intersection and does not require any taking of private property.

Public Works Director Semaan referred to impacts to the Golden Triangle and indicated that this particular project and improvements are not taking this into consideration. He clarified that the Measure R dollars are explicit to this improvement and specifically for northbound right turn lane improvement project.

Councilmember Nehrenheim requested information on traffic, the circulation element last updated in 2009 and the numbers stated in the report back in January and currently.

Councilmember Emdee noted parking issues on the Manhattan Beach Boulevard side and losing the parking on Artesia Boulevard in front of the daycare.

Mr. Block offered Rick Engineering and Mr. Stephenson to consult with City staff in evaluating this further.

Public Works Director Semaan stated staff can come back the first meeting in March with further information and analysis.

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to continue the Public Hearing to the March 9 City Council meeting, allowing time to review alternative projects and staff feedback on further analysis. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

M. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS – NONE

N. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

**N.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PETDATA, INC. FOR ANIMAL LICENSING SERVICES FOR THE TERM JANUARY 19, 2021 TO JANUARY 18, 2026
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

Finance Director Marni Ruhland gave a report and introduced Ann Campbell from PetData.

Sales and Marketing Director Ann Campbell gave a PowerPoint presentation on PetData and discussed the following:

- Over 25 years experience providing turnkey animal licensing services
- Customized animal license program for City of Redondo Beach
- PetData takes data protection seriously – PCI/CISP compliant, backup systems, data protection
- PetData handles all the details for their clients
- Save time, save money, license more pets

In response to Councilmember Emdee, Ms. Campbell stated there will be someone available locally to handle issues.

In response to Councilmember Emdee, Finance Director Ruhland stated the City would be saving approximately \$30K a year.

In response to Councilmember Emdee regarding the license tags versus chipping, Ms. Campbell stated it would depend on the ordinance and noted that most of their clients still have regular license tags as a visual ID. She said a chip requires a special reader from the vet or shelter and can't be issued over the counter at City Hall.

Councilmember Emdee clarified that this item is just for the administration of doing the pet licensing.

Mayor Brand encouraged everyone to have their pets chipped.

In response to Councilmember Gran regarding compliance of licensing, Ms. Campbell explained that including rabies vaccination reporting would help increase compliance and also providing the vets with paper applications, but increasing licensing depends on a lot of variables. She said they do efficiencies and only do animal licensing, sending out correct noticing and coming into compliance. She also said they would follow the license and followup with renewals.

In response to Councilmember Gran, Finance Director Ruhland stated the City is sending out letters, stated license fees are in line with the neighboring cities, and hoped the total revenue number will increase by an increased number of licenses.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, Finance Director Ruhland explained that the noticing that would happen as the ordinance stands now would only occur from the database. She also said education would coordinate with animal control and the officers do both parking enforcement and animal control.

Councilmember Nehrenheim suggested cleanup on the procedures and efficiency and supported this item move forward.

Finance Director Ruhland stated there will also be the ability to license online for more efficiency.

Councilmember Loewenstein suggested having campaigns to increase the number of licenses in cities.

In response to Councilmember Loewenstein, Ms. Campbell said pet owner data would never be sold to third parties and this is included in their contract.

Councilmember Emdee stated this is just the beginning regarding revamping the entire system and dependent a lot on rescue people and suggested looking into the entire animal control system.

Councilmember Horvath asked about creating an ordinance as it relates to vets and rabies vaccinations, with notification automatically going out to those who just had their pet vaccinated. He asked what the next step will be.

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

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to approve a Professional Services Agreement with PetData, Inc., for animal licensing services for the term January 19, 2021 to January 18, 2026. 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 DESIGN ALTERNATIVES FOR
MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD - AVIATION BOULEVARD TO INGLEWOOD AVENUE
PROJECT, JOB NO. 41190
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

City Traffic Engineer Kim, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Manhattan Beach Boulevard Design Update and discussed the following:

- Project Discussion
- Agreement with Cannon Corporation to complete design services and alternatives for the Project
- Status Update of Current Design
- Vicinity Map
- Bike Facility Alternative 1 – Class II Bike Facility
- Bike Facility Alternative 2A – Class IV Bike Facility
- Bike Facility Alternative 2B – Class IV Bike Facility
- Traffic Signal Modification Design
- Landscape and Irrigation Design
- Recommendation

Councilmember Emdee asked about the eastern side of Manhattan Beach Boulevard and where the bike lane would stop. City Traffic Engineer Kim believed the bike lane would go all the way to Inglewood Avenue.

Councilmember Emdee noted people will not want to give up their parking on Manhattan Beach Boulevard and believed that a Class II painted would be fine, not having to give up parking. She also did not support giving up too much landscaping and believed there is an opportunity between the Johnston and Dow section to create a nice walkway pedestrian experience with a protected bike lane for the neighborhood, connecting all the roadways. She recommended Alternative 2A.

Councilmember Horvath expressed concern with the safety on Manhattan Beach Boulevard and supported creating safer bike lanes. He suggested exploring 2B and solutions for loss of parking, such as less landscaping and narrowing lanes. He also suggested creating a dual direction Class I tract on the westbound side and then effectuate the changes throughout the rest of the lanes and median to adjust, creating a completely protected cycle lane, making sense for the long-term.

City Traffic Engineer Kim noted a significant cost for creating a separate cycle tract, median, and shifting.

Councilmember Horvath suggested looking long-term and possibly finding additional funding to make it happen.

Councilmember Horvath asked about reconfiguring the traffic signal and lanes at Inglewood Avenue going eastbound, allowing for a U-turn. City Traffic Engineer Kim did not believe this was discussed with this report.

Councilmember Horvath also asked about the Class IV buffer and if it is just a striped buffer zone. City Traffic Engineer Kim stated as of now, the delineates are not included.

Mayor Brand pointed out that once you cross Aviation Boulevard heading west, you are now into Manhattan Beach with not a lot of places to widen or make room for a bike path lane.

Councilmember Loewenstein supported 2A and not taking away parking, if the capital cannot be raised.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via Zoom and eComment.

Zein Obagi Jr. asked if there would be a way to reduce the speed limit for traffic.

City Traffic Engineer Kim said there is an opportunity due to roadway changes, such as insulation of the bike lane, to reassess the speed limit on the roadway.

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

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to proceed with Option 2A. 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 REGARDING THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR PREPARATION OF A WORKERS' COMPENSATION STUDY FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT
CONTACT: MARNI RUHLAND, FINANCE DIRECTOR

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

- November 24, 2020 Letter
- Discussions – actuary prepare a Workers Comp study and the Fire Department
- Staff obtained a quote – Commission requested of Council that a report be prepared
- Amend contract with Glickman Consulting
- A budget modification for \$1500 cost would need to be approved

Councilmember Nehrenheim questioned needing a budget modification since the contract is under \$15,000. Finance Director Ruhland explained that staff could be directed to find the money within the self-insurance fund budget. City Manager Hoefgen clarified this would require a contract amendment which would have to come back for approval.

Councilmember Nehrenheim encouraged looking for funding for the \$1500.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via Zoom and eComment.

Eugene Solomon thanked Council for their support and encouraged reviewing the Budget and Finance Commission meeting of November 12, 2020 and the actuary presentation.

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

Motion by Councilmember Gran, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to approve the contract and budget modification. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

N.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING POTENTIAL MUNICIPAL CODE CHANGES FOR SALE, USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BALLOONS
CONTACT: TED SEMAAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Public Works Director Semaan gave a report and discussed the following:

- January 14, 2020 - Council approved limitations on plastics but continued conversations on balloons and approved an ordinance that restricted the release of any helium filled balloons
- Council asked staff to come back in August to further discuss the type of balloons, sales, use and distribution
- Item continued to January 2021
- Reviewed language of Cities of Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach – restrict sale, distribution and use of foil, metalized and mylar balloons
- Seeking direction from Council for the sale, use and distribution of the balloons
- Power outage due to transformer explosion in Hermosa Beach which affected 96,000 customers caused from a mylar balloon

Councilmember Emdee supported banning the mylar balloons but expressed concern with the language “that no person shall use or distribute latex balloons filled with air.”

Councilmember Lowenstein informed of a power outage where he lost more than \$1,000 worth of appliances, not including his refrigerator/freezer and his neighbor losing \$6,000 worth of electronic equipment, due to a larger mylar balloon and explosion of a transformer.

Mayor Brand called for public comment via Zoom and eComment.

Craig Cadwallader, Surf Rider Foundation South Bay Chapter, noted air filled balloons blowing around that got loose and latex balloons are not biodegradable and contain various chemicals. He supported leaving the air language in the ordinance and noted various alternatives to safely use balloons. He also supported the language used in Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach.

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

Councilmember Emdee pointed out that the language states “helium or lighter than air gas.”

Motion by Councilmember Horvath to bring back the language changes in the ordinance to add mylar balloons. Councilmember Loewenstein seconded the motion with the amendment to take out the language “air for latex balloons” under Item C. 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 REGARDING THE CITY'S LOCAL EMERGENCY PERTAINING TO COVID-19

CONTACT: JOE HOEFGEN, CITY MANAGER

City Manager Hoefgen gave a report and discussed the following:

- Inconsistency between discussions and the MOU with the county in terms who would have responsibility of operation of a vaccine site
- MOU was specifically for the Performing Arts Center in Redondo Beach
- MOU – continue discussions with the county to reach out with the Beach Cities Health District
- Not activate the site until the MOU is modified to more accurately reflect the responsibilities
- Developments as of today – MOU is not the same level of urgency from a county standpoint that the MOU is in place
- City provided a markup with suggested changes – county now looking at a different strategy – modifying the tiering for vaccines – now opened up to all seniors in LA County
- Thanked Tom Backley and Jacqueline Sun from Beach Cities Health District – move into the direction of the Beach Cities Health District operated vaccine site within the South Bay

Tom Bakaly, Beach Cities Health District, spoke on the following:

- County opened up vaccine eligibility for those 65 and over – moving into 1B
- Location of sites
- Need appointments – call in early
- Encourage people to call their hotline at 310-374-3426 x 256
- Shifting some of the testing resources to handle the vaccines

Ms. Sun provided the following resources:

- www.vaccinelacounty.com – 833-540-0473
- Safe in the South Bay Panel on February 4

Councilmember Nehrenheim noted that LA County is fully aware of the difficulty reaching them right now, and also thanked the Beach Cities Health District for keeping their services open for the residents.

Councilmember Nehrenheim suggested providing free parking for takeout orders at the pier. Waterfront and Economic Development Director Stephen Proud suggested meeting with Public Works regarding a dedicated area for that particular purpose.

In response to Councilmember Nehrenheim, City Manager Hoefgen stated staff will be bringing back to Council the first week in February information on the Farmer's Market expansion.

In response to Councilmember Horvath, Ms. Sun explained that those with preexisting conditions are encouraged to get the vaccine due to being at more risk for severe COVID infections.

Councilmember Horvath noted concerns regarding the dining decks in the Riviera Village and loitering. City Manager Hoefgen stated the police could speak to the business owners and also suggested reaching out to the county public health for their followup engagement.

Chief Kauffman stated any complaints or calls are addressed and said they have the safe protocol in place along with reporting to public health, but this has not happened regarding any issues with the dining decks and loitering.

In response to Councilmember Emdee regarding vaccine locations and having people check with their doctors, Mr. Bakaly stated they urge people to contact their physician as well as their local pharmacy.

Ms. Sun stated as the supply increases, there will be more ways for people to access the vaccine.

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

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, to receive and file the report and direct staff to come back with solutions for temporary parking in the pier area for local restaurant takeout food activity. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

P. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS

P.1. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS OPPOSING CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE BILL 9 AND SENATE BILL 10 RELATED TO RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AS THESE BILLS WOULD PREEMPT LOCAL REGULATIONS FOR HOUSING

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2101-009, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING SENATE BILL 9 (ATKINS) WHICH WOULD REQUIRE MINISTERIAL APPROVAL OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CONTAINING TWO RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND PARCEL MAP DIVIDING A LOT INTO TWO EQUAL PARTS FOR RESIDENTIAL USE

ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2101-010, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING SENATE BILL 10 (WEINER) WHICH WOULD REQUIRE MINISTERIAL APPROVAL OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CONTAINING UP TO 10 UNITS

CONTACT: BRANDY FORBES, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECT

Mayor Brand expressed concern with losing local control and R1 housing.

Councilmember Emdee expressed concern with this being forced on cities and not even considering what has been done prior, doing blanket statements of changing zoning from R1 to R2 automatically, and not considering the current neighborhoods and the quality of life. She noted forcing density on the cities from the state with no choice being beyond local control, with no planning.

Mayor Brand expressed concern with zoning from R1 to R2, ADU's and going from 1 on a lot to possibly 6 on a lot, and the state circumventing local regulation, with real estate becoming investment vehicles and sold on Wall Street. He encouraged people to reach out to Senator Allen to stop these bills.

Councilmember Loewenstein noted campaign contributions for Senator Toni Atkins and Senator Scott Wiener, and expressed concern with these bills and impacts to the real estate market and said the bills will not work. He said pressure needs to be put on Sacramento to stop coming back with these bills.

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2101-009. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Nehrenheim, Loewenstein, Horvath, Gran, Emdee

NOES: None
ABSENT: None

City Clerk Eleanor Manzano read by title only Resolution No. CC-2101-009.

Motion by Councilmember Emdee, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to adopt by title only Resolution No. CC-2101-010. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

City Clerk Eleanor Manzano read by title only Resolution No. CC-2101-010.

Q. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REFERRALS TO STAFF

Motion by Councilmember Horvath, seconded by Councilmember Nehrenheim, to refer to staff and the City Attorney's Office to either bring back or amend an ordinance as it relates to animal licensing and rabies vaccinations. Motion carried unanimously, with the following roll call vote:

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

Councilmember Horvath requested staff look into parks/parkettes where dogs are now allowed and people not following the posted rules.

Mayor Brand noted a letter he received from the Chairman of the Budget and Finance Commission regarding a presentation of refinancing CalPERS unfunded accrued liability with bonds presentation from the January 14, 2021. He suggested Council receive the same presentation.

City Manager Hoefgen suggested looking at this in the context of the midyear budget on February 16, 2021.

Finance Director Ruhland stated a new contract will have to take place first which will determine the costs.

Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Loewenstein, that staff come back with a budget modification the first meeting in February to amend the Kosmont contract and to discuss the bonding item that was presented at the Budget and Finance Commission. 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: 10:00 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Motion by Councilmember Nehrenheim, seconded by Councilmember Horvath, to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 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, February 2, 2021, 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,



Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk