

**MINUTES OF THE  
REDONDO BEACH HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING  
AUGUST 30, 2021**

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A Virtual special meeting of the Harbor Commission was held pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, and was called to order by Chair Light at 6:38 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Bauer, Callahan, Carlson, Chrzan, Light, Kilroy, Walters

Commissioners Absent:

Officials Present: Stephen Proud, W.E.D. Director  
Laurie Koike, W.E.D.  
Elizabeth Hause, W.E.D.

**C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Commissioner Callahan led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

**D. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA**

*Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Callahan, to approve the order of the agenda. Motion carried, without objection.*

**E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS - None**

**E.1. For Blue Folder Documents Approved at the Harbor Commission Meeting**

**F. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**F.1. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES: JULY 12, 2021**

**F.2. APPROVAL OF AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 30, 2021**

W.E.D. Director Proud announced there were no public eComments or emails received from the public regarding the Consent Calendar.

*Motion by Commissioner Carlson, seconded by Commissioner Callahan, to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented. Motion carried, without objection.*

**G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - None**

**H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

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

W.E.D. Director Proud noted no eComments or emails were received regarding this item.

**I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION - None**

**J. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

**K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None**

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

**L.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE DRAFT WATERFRONT  
OUTDOOR DINING PERMIT PROGRAM FOR KING HARBOR**

**CONTACT: STEPHEN PROUD, WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DIRECTOR**

W.E.D. Director Proud narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the Administrative Report; noted receiving several requests to make outdoor dining a permanent feature of the pier and discussed draft permit guidelines for the Commission to review.

Commissioner Bauer arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Discussion followed regarding the recommended number of Designated Outdoor Dining areas, the possibility of using plexiglass as a wind barrier and heaters, maintaining perimeter barricades, the importance of consistency and having a unified look, addressing noise nuisance, getting input from the Pier Association, mimicking the look and feel of the Village in terms of barricades and lighting, possible funding sources, expanding the width of the walking path, making dining areas longer and narrower, concerns relative to the prices per square foot, the potential for storage problems, ABC regulated pier activities, considering a seasonal approach, gauging the interest of restaurants before buildout out of permanent installations, the need for the City to control the look for uniformity, concerns regarding things being dropped from the railing, making the program year-round and requirements related to being a lessee in good standing with the City.

Chair Light opened public comments.

Rashel, form The Slip Bar and Eatery, expressed excitement at the City's proposal for outdoor dining; voiced concerns regarding setup costs; agreed the City should provide the infrastructure; spoke about using the space only certain months during the year and on weekends; noted the lack of a serving desk; reported the proposed storage unit is smaller than what they would recommend; stressed the need for improved security and urged the City to clarify restrictions regarding operating hours.

Chair Light suggested businesses get together to review the draft permit program and provide input to the Commission or forming a subcommittee of the Commission to meet with businesses.

In response to Commissioner Kilroy's question, Rashel described the vandalism they experience and addressed existing operating hours of their outdoor space noting that weather usually determines its use.

Carlos, The Slip Bar, spoke about the effects of the pandemic and the opportunity to use outdoor dining; agreed with the need for increased security; discussed cost of materials to setup outdoor dining; expressed appreciation for including them in the conversation; encouraged added input from businesses; reported music has not been an issue; talked about purchasing umbrellas and the use of heaters and urged the Commission to consider lowering rent rates.

W.E.D. Director Proud read eComments into the record from:

Phillip Hendrix opposed charging businesses for outdoor space during the pandemic and urged the Commission to help struggling businesses.

Ashley Todd expressed support for businesses on the pier that have fought to keep their businesses operating, despite the challenges of COVID-19 and in support of continuing the outdoor dining program.

Beth Renton expressed support for continuing the outdoor dining program and urged the City to continue its support of local restaurants.

There were no other public comments.

Chair Light closed public comments.

Discussion followed regarding benefits to the City from businesses operating on the pier, the Village permit process, proposing a barrier that accommodates lights and costs of infrastructure.

*Motion by Chair Light, seconded by Commissioner Kilroy, to form a subcommittee comprised of Commissioners Kilroy, Callahan, and Bauer to meet with staff and representatives from the business community to discuss the outdoor dining permit program for King Harbor and return to the Harbor Commission with recommendations. Motion carried, unanimously, by roll call vote.*

*Motion by Commissioner Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Walters, to receive and file the report. Motion carried, without objection.*

**L.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE WORKING GROUP FOR THE PUBLIC AMENITIES PLAN FOR KING HARBOR**

**CONTACT: STEPHEN PROUD, WATERFRONT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

W.E.D. Director Proud presented details of the Administrative Report; discussed the process and creation of a working group; addressed the schedule of related meetings and the proposed community participation plan and suggested additional members of the working group for the public amenities plan.

Discussion followed regarding reaching out to specific groups/individuals, popups for community input, finding creative ways to engage the public, the need to reach out beyond the immediate geographical area of the Harbor, social media outreach, having a representative from the Parks and Recreation Department and Mole B stakeholders and Seaside Lagoon.

Chair Light opened public comments.

Moses Rambler, Outrigger Canoe Club, understood there would be a subcommittee to focus on the Mole B area and submitted his name for consideration by the Harbor Commission.

Sheila Lamb thanked the Harbor Commission; felt excitement for the community participation plan and asked about a dedicated, separate website for the Harbor Amenities Plan.

W.E.D. Director Proud noted there will be a separate, dedicated website for the Harbor Amenities Plan.

Mark Hanson discussed the Mole B Master Plan; suggested including sailing instructors and sailing clubs in Mole B discussions; spoke about including boat storage; commented on Chair Light's knowledge and using him as a resource; recommended including a representative from the Harbor Association; agreed to include representatives from the Parks and Recreation Department and talked about also including angler groups.

W.E.D. Director Proud read eComments into the record, as follows:

Brian Mitchell expressed support for including Moses Rambler in the working group.

There were no other public comments.

Chair Light closed public comments.

*Motion by Chair Light, seconded by Commissioner Kilroy, to accept the additional members of the subcommittee as recommended by W.E.D. Director Proud, direct staff to invite a member of the Parks and Recreation Department, and reach out to Lanakila to participate in a compartmented capacity related to Mole B. Motion carried, unanimously, by roll call vote.*

### **L.3. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

#### **Previous Council Items**

- City Council considered a lease for a retail operation on the International Boardwalk, a short-term lease for the On the Rocks building for use by the Beach Life Festival and approved a consent to assignment for the Fisherman's Wharf lease
- City Council considered a small lease for Pier Plaza for a legal firm and approved the contract for the falconer with a term of 5 years
- Addressed commission applicant interviews

#### **Upcoming Council Items**

- City Council will consider three new leases
- Discussion on Seaside Lagoon
- City Council will consider the Harbor Commission's budget motion
- City Council will consider a new contract for an updated structural and seismic assessment of the Pier parking structure

#### **Miscellaneous Follow-up Items**

- Discussed a recent shooting at the pier
- Provided an update on dredging in the harbor
- Talked about the Beach Life Festival
- Spoke about the skate park

- Presented an update on bands on boats
- Addressed an update on the Yacht Club Way/Harbor Drive intersection
- Reported the Coastal Commission is accepting public input on a guidance report related to transportation and infrastructure that may be vulnerable to sea-level rise

Chair Light requested including Commissioner Carlson's input in the City's response to the Coastal Commission regarding a guidance report related to transportation and infrastructure that may be vulnerable to sea-level rise.

W.E.D. Director Proud noted cancellation of movie nights due to COVID-19; discussed the Kite Festival and the upcoming Car Show and addressed upcoming Harbor Commission meetings.

**M. ITEMS FROM STAFF - None**

**N. COMMISSION ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF**

Discussion followed regarding bands in the harbor, a citation issued to the person managing them, and receiving a report from Harbor Patrol at the next Harbor Commission meeting regarding the topic.

Discussion continued regarding the status of the alternative flow for the hand launch, the Redondo Beach Marina parking lot, and the SCE Charge Ready program.

Commissioner Kilroy commented on the sewage spill from the Hyperion Water Treatment Plant and asked if the City has a system in place to notify boaters and other users of the harbor when the spills take place.

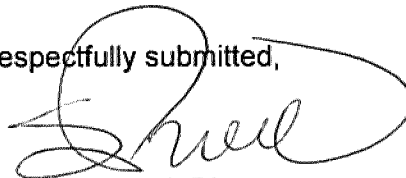
W.E.D. Director Proud offered to reach out to the Public Works Department to make a presentation to the Harbor Commission.

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Walters, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, without objection.*

At 9:53 p.m., Chair Light adjourned the meeting to a regular meeting of the Harbor Commission on October 11, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen Proud, Director  
Waterfront & Economic Development