

City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers and Zoom

City Council Regular Meeting

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Joe Franklin

Mayor Pro Tem Amy Howorth

Councilmember David Lesser

Councilmember Steve Napolitano

Councilmember Richard Montgomery

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A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Franklin called the meeting to order.

B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Samantha "Plum" Russell of Grand View Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Roll call led by City Clerk Liza Tamura.

Present: 5 - Mayor Franklin, Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, Councilmember Lesser, Councilmember Montgomery and Councilmember Napolitano

D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

None.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, seconded by Councilmember Lesser, to approve the agenda and waive full reading of ordinances. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

Nay: 0

F. CITY COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING EVENTS (1 MINUTE PER PERSON)

Mira Costa High School ASB Students Alex Bindler, Mira Kaldawi, and Luca Ayadi provided updates regarding recent and upcoming events at the school and responded to City Council questions.

Library Manager Josh Murray announced that in honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month the library will be holding a Boba Making Workshop at 4:00 PM on May 21, 2024.

Communications and Civic Engagement Manager Alexandria Latragna provided information regarding the City's service request app "Reach Manhattan Beach."

Beach Cities Health District (BCHD) Chief Executive Officer Tom Bakaly announced May as Mental Health Awareness Month and that on May 18, 2024, they will be conducting a Mental Health Conference. BCHD Youth Advisory Council members Maya Shivpuri and Delaney provided information regarding the Youth Council's work.

Police Captain Andrew Enriquez announced the City's Public Safety Open House at 420 15th Street on May 11, 2024, from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

Waste Management Recycling Education Representative Bobby Bell provided an update regarding what Waste Management is doing in the community and responded to City Council questions.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments. The following individual(s) spoke:

*Louis Pastor
Ray Joseph
Hilary Rosen
Heather Kim*

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Franklin closed the floor to public comments.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR (APPROVE)

Mayor Pro Tem Howorth announced that Jewish American Heritage Month is in May and requested that it be placed with the list of reoccurring proclamations being provided under the Consent Calendar next year.

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Lesser, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

Nay: 0

1. City Council Minutes: [24-0139](#)

This Item Contains Minutes of the Following City Council Meeting(s):

- a) City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2024
- b) City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2024
- c) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2024
- d) City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2024
- e) City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting (Boards and Commissions Interviews) Minutes of April 23, 2024
(City Clerk Tamura).

APPROVE

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2. Declaration of Proclamations for the Following: [24-0178](#)

- a) May 4, 2024, as International Firefighters' Day
- b) May 15, 2024, as National Peace Officers Memorial Day
- c) May 5, 2024-May 11, 2024, as Public Service Recognition Week
- d) May 5, 2024-May 11, 2024, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week
- e) May 12, 2024-May 18, 2024, as National Police Week
- f) May 18-24, 2024, as National Safe Boating Week
- g) May 19, 2024-May 25, 2024, as National Public Works Week
- h) May 2024, as Building Safety Month
- i) May 2024, as Older Americans Month
- j) May 2024, as Mental Health Awareness Month
- k) May 2024, as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month
- l) May 2024, as National Bicycle Safety Month
- m) May 2024, as National Cities, Towns, and Villages Month

PROCLAIM

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

3. Consideration of a Resolution Approving Amendments to the Compensation Plan for Full-Time Unrepresented Employees (Human Resources Director Jenkins). [24-0171](#)

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0046

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

4. Consideration of a Resolution Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with the Law Offices of Angel Ho, Inc. to Conduct Independent Investigations of Confidential Matters at a Cost Not-to-Exceed \$250,000 (Human Resources Director Jenkins). [24-0186](#)

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0047

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

5. Consideration of the Revised Senior Advisory Committee By-Laws (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). [24-0165](#)

APPROVE

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

6. Consideration of a Resolution Awarding a Construction Agreement to EBS General Engineering, Inc. for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Cycle 3 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Curb Ramp Project for \$175,666, Including Contingency; and Adoption of a Determination of Exemption Pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines (Public Works Director Lee). [24-0142](#)

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0041

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

7. Consideration of Accepting as Complete Work Performed by Sprinturf, LLC for the Marine Avenue Park Synthetic Field Turf Replacement Project, Funded in Part with County Regional Park and Open Space District Measure A Funding (Public Works Director Lee). [24-0092](#)

A) ACCEPT

B) AUTHORIZE

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

K. GENERAL BUSINESS

8. Annual Appointments to City Boards and Commissions (City Clerk Tamura).

[24-0177](#)

(Estimated Time: 45 Mins.)

APPOINT

City Clerk Liza Tamura introduced Management Analyst Patricia Matson who provided a brief background regarding the item.

Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comment.

Seeing no requests to speak, Mayor Franklin closed the floor to public comments.

Management Analyst Matson conducted the annual Boards and Commissions appointment process.

The following appointments were unanimously made:

Planning Commission

Seat No. 1 (Member-At-Large): Kristin Sistos (reappointed)

Seat No. 2 (Member-At-Large): Jim Dillavou (reappointed)

Parking and Public Improvements Commission

Seat No. 4 (Member-At-Large): Rosemarie Balla

Seat No. 5 (Member-At-Large): Bob DaGiau (reappointed)

Parks and Recreation Commission

Seat No. 4 (Member-At-Large): Stephen Doran (reappointed)

Seat No. 5 (Older Adult): Roberta Schreiner

Seat No. 7 (Student Representative): Isabella Jacobson

Library Commission

Seat No. 5 (Member-At-Large): Samuel Braitman

Seat No. 6 (Student Representative): Sydney Huber

Cultural Arts Commission

Seat No. 3 (Member-At-Large): Marie Colmey

Seat No. 6 (Student Representative): Anthony Padnos

The following appointment was made:

Los Angeles Country West Vector Control Board

Member-At-Large: Hilary Rosen

9. Consideration of Begg Pool Modernization Study Findings and Conceptual Design Options (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman).
(Estimated Time: 1 Hr.)

[24-0089](#)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Parks and Recreation Director Mark Leyman provided background information regarding the item and introduced HMC Group Managing Principal Brad Glassick who provided the PowerPoint presentation.

Senior Recreation Manager Melissa McCollum presented information regarding the item.

City Manager Bruce Moe provided information regarding a proposal from the owners of the Bay Club to build a pool with public access west of their facility in the City parking lot. He requested that the City Council receive and file the agenda report to allow staff the opportunity to solidify details and receive conceptual designs from them.

Senior Recreation Manager McCollum, HMC Group Managing Principal Glassick, Principal Civil Engineer Gil Gamboa, and City Manager Moe responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments. The following individual(s) spoke:

*Jerriane Rousseau
Laura Dotson
Chris Davis
John Arizaga
Scott Yanofsky
Hilary Rosen*

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Franklin closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, seconded by Councilmember Napolitano, to direct staff to hire a consultant to conduct a poll regarding community priorities for funding Begg Pool upgrades and defer to the consultant regarding the timing of the poll; to continue discussions with the owners of the Bay Club regarding their proposal for a new pool; and research the cost to keep the pool safely maintained for the next two to three years. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

Nay: 0

At 8:26 PM, the City Council recessed and reconvened at 8:36 PM with all City Councilmembers present.

10. Parks and Recreation Commission Recommendations for a Memorial for the Fallen and Options for a Memorial Day Event (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). [24-0116](#)

(Estimated Time: 30 Mins.)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Parks and Recreation Director Mark Leyman provided the staff presentation and responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments. The following individual(s) spoke:

*Heather Kim
Gary McAulay*

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Franklin closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Napolitano, to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendations for a Memorial for the Fallen, with its location to be determined; to approve options for a Memorial Day event, including the previously approved installation of American flags; and directed staff to hang the "Thank You Veterans" banner only for the Veterans Day holiday and not the Memorial Day holiday. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

Nay: 0

11. Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Proposed Operating Budget (Finance Director Charelian). [24-0117](#)
(Estimated Time: 45 Mins.)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

City Manager Bruce Moe thanked all of the staff involved with the budget process and provided a brief introduction of the item.

Finance Director Steve Charelian extended his thanks to everyone involved in the process, provided the PowerPoint presentation, and responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments.

Seeing no requests to speak, Mayor Franklin closed the floor to public comments.

This item was received and filed by order of the chair.

L. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND REPORTS INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

Councilmember Montgomery reported that he attended the Southern California Association of Governments conference in Palm Desert and provided that there were updates regarding transportation on the regional and State level.

M. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Montgomery requested an update regarding the status and progress of Assembly Bill 2309.

City Manager Bruce Moe responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Franklin requested to agendaize a discussion regarding the need for an ADA compliant parking space near the Catalina Classic sculpture due to the installation of a plaque at the site. Councilmember Lesser seconded the request.

N. CITY MANAGER REPORT

None.

O. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

None.

P. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 12. Agenda Forecast (City Clerk Tamura). [24-0169](#)
INFORMATION ITEM ONLY

This item was received and filed by order of the Chair.

- 13. Commission Minutes: [24-0191](#)
This Item Includes the Parking and Public Improvements Commission Minutes of March 28, 2024 (Community Development Director Mirzakhonian).
INFORMATION ITEM ONLY

This item was received and filed by order of the Chair.

Q. CLOSED SESSION

None.

R. ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned the meeting in memory of Cathy Marcucci, Mayor Pro Tem in the City of Industry.

Councilmember Montgomery provided comments regarding Ms. Marcucci.

At 9:34 PM, Mayor Franklin adjourned the meeting to 5:00 PM on May 14, 2024.

Patricia Matson
Recording Secretary

Joe Franklin
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk