



# Certificate of Commendation

*Whereas,* Michael Lang has dedicated three and a half years of service to the City of Manhattan Beach in the Fire Department as Fire Chief from June 2021 to December 2024; and

*Whereas,* Chief Lang earned his Bachelor's of Science in Occupational Studies from California State University, Long Beach and obtained a certificate in Executive Leadership from the University of Southern California; and

*Whereas,* during his tenure with the City of Manhattan Beach, Chief Lang brought decades of experience and a steadfast commitment to modernizing operations and enhancing public safety; and

*Whereas,* his leadership fostered stronger community partnerships and strengthened relationships with regional safety partners, leaving a lasting impact on both the community and the Fire Department; and

*Whereas,* Chief Lang enhanced emergency response capabilities by establishing a second rescue ambulance for daily staffing, ensuring greater readiness and support for the community; and

*Whereas,* he strengthened the Fire Prevention Bureau and Emergency Preparedness functions by hiring a Fire Marshal, Senior Fire Inspector, Fire Inspector, and a full-time Emergency Preparedness Administrator; and

*Whereas,* he further expanded staffing by hiring a full-time Senior Management Analyst and overseeing three firefighter hiring processes, resulting in the addition of thirteen new firefighters; and

*Whereas,* Chief Lang expanded internal promotional opportunities, fostering an environment for career advancement and succession planning by implementing promotional examinations resulting in appointments of one Deputy Fire Chief, two Division Chiefs, four Fire Captain Paramedics, and four Engineer Paramedics; and

*Whereas,* Chief Lang's contributions to the City of Manhattan Beach Fire Department include finalizing the Fire Station 2 rebuild project, replacing an engine pumper, securing funding for a future quintuple combination pumper, establishing the department's first Deputy Fire Chief; and

*Whereas,* the City Council wishes to commend Fire Chief Michael Lang for his dedication to local public administration and his significant contribution to both the City of Manhattan Beach and the community.

*Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved,* that the City Council, on behalf of the residents and citizens of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, does hereby award this commendation to

*Fire Chief Michael Lang*

upon his departure from and for his outstanding contributions to the City of Manhattan Beach.

*Dated* this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.



*Amy Thomas Howorth*  
MAYOR AMY THOMAS HOWORTH

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MAYOR PRO-TEM DAVID LESSER

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