

City of Manhattan Beach

*1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

6:45 PM

Chamber of Commerce Town Hall Meeting

Westdrift Hotel

1400 Parkview Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting

*Mayor Steve Napolitano
Mayor Pro Tem Nancy Hersman
Councilmember Richard Montgomery
Councilmember Suzanne Hadley
Councilmember Hildy Stern*

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Mayor Napolitano called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM.

Mayor Napolitano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. ROLL CALL

City Council

Present - Mayor Napolitano, Mayor Pro Tem Hersman, Councilmember Montgomery, Councilmember Hadley and Councilmember Stern.

Staff

Present - City Manager Bruce Moe, City Attorney Quinn Barrow, City Clerk Liza Tamura, Finance Director Steve Charelian, Human Resources Director Lisa Jenkins, Recreation Services Manager Jessica Vincent on behalf of Parks and Recreation Director Mark Leyman, Captain Tim Hageman on behalf of Police Chief Derrick Abell, Fire Chief Daryn Drum, Community Development Director Anne McIntosh, Public Works Director Stephanie Katsouleas, Information Technology Director Sandy Taylor, Senior Deputy City Clerk Martha Alvarez, Senior Management Analyst George Gabriel and Management Analyst Alexandria Latragna.

B. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Town Hall Meeting

Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Kelly Stroman introduced the City Councilmembers and staff, and moderated the questions and answers segment of the meeting.

During the Town Hall Meeting, the following items were discussed:

- Issuance of parking permits for Downtown business employees. (Kathy Winterhalder)*
- Parking availability near businesses for its employees. (Maureen McBride)*
- Local sales and business licenses. (Question submitted prior to meeting)*

- *City's financial action plan for the next economic downturn. (Question submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Potential "burn sites" in Manhattan Beach. (Diane Wallace)*
- *Community awareness regarding plans with natural disasters. (Question submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Sepulveda Boulevard gateway and beautification plans. (Question submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Relationship between Manhattan Beach and Cal Trans. (Discussion related to the Sepulveda Boulevard gateway item)*
- *Efforts to attract residents and businesses to the City. (Orhan Taner)*
- *Economic consequences of the legalization and increased use of cannabis. (Unknown Speaker)*
- *PPIC meetings and short-term rentals. (Joe Franklin)*
- *City Hall open every Friday. (Comment submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Three women on City Council. (Comment submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Discouraging increase in sales tax. (Comment submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Homelessness. (Comment submitted prior to meeting)*
- *MB City Fire Department vs LA County Fire Department. (Comment submitted prior to meeting)*
- *Cell towers and dropped calls. (Maureen McBride)*

City Council Comments:

- *"Legends" socks. (Councilmember Montgomery)*
- *Small business owners/banding together for stronger voice. (Councilmember Hadley)*
- *Support regarding the vitality of businesses. (Councilmember Stern)*
- *Encouraged local businesses to keep engaged with the City. (Mayor Napolitano)*

Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Kelly Stroman thanked the City Council for participating in the Town Hall Meeting to address questions and concerns from the business community. She also further stated that she hopes similar events can take place in the future.

C. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:07 PM Mayor Napolitano adjourned the meeting.

Martha Alvarez
Recording Secretary

Steve Napolitano
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk