

# City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

4:00 PM

Boards and Commissions Interviews

City Council Chambers and Zoom

## City Council Special Meeting

### *ELECTED OFFICIALS*

*Mayor Amy Thomas Howorth*

*Mayor Pro Tem David Lesser*

*Councilmember Joe Franklin*

*Councilmember Nina Trieu Tarnay*

*Councilmember Steve S. Charelian*

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**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

*Mayor Howorth called the meeting to order.*

**B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

*Mayor Howorth led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**C. ROLL CALL**

*Roll Call led by City Clerk Liza Tamura.*

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Howorth, Mayor Pro Tem Lesser, Councilmember Franklin, Councilmember Tarnay and Councilmember Charelian

**D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lesser, seconded by Councilmember Franklin, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Howorth, Lesser, Franklin, Tarnay and Charelian

**Nay:** 0

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON PER ITEM)**

*Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comments.*

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

**F. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**1. Conduct Boards and Commissions Interviews (City Clerk Tamura).**

*The City Council conducted interviews with the following individuals:*

- Tom Williams*
- Brooke Muschott*
- Ellen Rosenberg*
- Philip Guidry*
- Karen Miller*
- Ellen Seiden*
- Justin Hong*
- Paul Mazurek*
- Joseph Melville*
- Dave Jones*
- Jacquelyn Chou*
- Steve Berardino*
- Amber Roller*
- Jonathan Nichols*
- Courtney Hill*
- Dana Torrey*
- Dana Bagdasarian*
- Ira Goldstone*

*At 4:59 PM, the City Council recessed and reconvened at 5:04 PM with all City Councilmembers present.*

*The interviews continued with the following individuals:*

- John Ankwicz*
- Lazaros Papademetropoulos*
- William McCleish*
- Amy Ferris*
- Fred Taylor*
- Dan Higgins*
- Richard Farber*
- Gita O'Neill*
- Daniel Kurz*
- Heather Kim*
- Timothy Hogan*
- Tony Gonzales*
- Kerry Thelen*
- Salim Ahmed*
- Bob Siemak*
- Gary Scalabrini*
- Stefan Kampe*

*The following individuals were unable to attend the interviews but requested the City Council's consideration for appointment:*

- Louis Balla*
- Andrew Chang*
- Christopher Coye*
- Jake Jevitz*
- Jill Schechter*
- Jim Yang*

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

*At 6:06 PM, Mayor Howorth adjourned the meeting.*

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**Breana Contreras**  
**Recording Secretary**

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**Amy Thomas Howorth**  
**Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Liza Tamura**  
**City Clerk**