

City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers

City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Amy Howorth
Mayor Pro Tem Steve Napolitano
Councilmember Nancy Hersman
Councilmember Richard Montgomery
Councilmember David Lesser

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A. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Howorth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. ROLL CALL

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

C. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. Recognition of the Environmental Sustainability Task Force. [18-0374](#)
PRESENT

Mayor Howorth, on behalf of the City Council, recognized and thanked the following volunteers of the Sustainability Task Force:

*Meredith Brandon
Allie Bussjaeger
Craig Cadwallader
Juliette Hart
Ian McKeown
Charlotte Marshall
Kim Martin
Peter Salzer
Bob Siemak
Kevin Whilden*

Additionally, Mayor Howorth acknowledged Environmental Programs Manager Dana Murray on her one year work anniversary with the City of Manhattan Beach.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano requested to remove, from the Consent Calendar, Agenda Item No. 6 – Update on the Sustainability Task Force and Formation of the Sustainability Youth Council.

Mayor Howorth requested that "General Business" Agenda Item No. 13 – Letter of Opposition to the Bureau of Cannabis Control Proposed Regulations Regarding Removing Cities' Ability to Ban Cannabis Deliveries, be moved to "Consent Calendar."

Councilmember Montgomery requested that "General Business" Agenda Item No. 16 – Preliminary Discussion of City's Uniform Hotel/Motel Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT), be heard before Agenda Item No. 15 – Discuss the Impacts of Senate Bill 415 and the Possibility of Changing the General Municipal Election to Another Date.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hersman seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to approve the agenda, as amended, waive full reading of ordinances, remove Agenda Item No. 6 from the Consent Calendar for a presentation, discuss Agenda Item No.16 before Agenda Item No.15, and place item Agenda Item No.13 under the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

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

Michael Mackavoy, Acting Librarian of the Manhattan Beach Library, mentioned that 850 children participated throughout various events during the summer. Additionally, he announced that the American College Testing (ACT) practice tests will be held on Saturday, August 25 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM and a "BubbleMania!" event will be held on September 5, 2018, from 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM.

Wayne Powell announced that the next Manhattan Beach Community Emergency Reponse Team (CERT) training will be a date to be determined and thanked all the volunteers that assisted during the MB Open this past weekend.

Councilmember Montgomery thanked Parks and Recreation Staff for a successful event at the MB Open and also thanked the Fire Department, Police Department and Public Works Department for their assistance throughout the event.

Mayor Howorth announced that August 22, 2018, is the first day of school.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Tara Scanlan spoke about Leadership Manhattan Beach (LMB), requested that the City Council assist with the various issues occurring in LMB and stated that the City should remove assistance from the program if the problems are not solved.

Charlotte Marshall spoke about the non-profit volunteer program at the Botanical Garden and stated the organization is currently working with several groups to move the new toolshed project forward.

Stephen Newman spoke in support of the City's draft "Five Year Plan to Address Homelessness in our Community."

Linda Reinstein spoke about Leadership Manhattan Beach and encouraged the City Council to examine the issues occurring.

James Gill spoke about Leadership Manhattan Beach and mentioned the loss of respect for the current leaders of the program. Additionally, he is concerned about the bylaws.

Lee Phillips spoke in support of the City's draft "Five Year Plan to Address Homelessness in our Community" and suggested a homelessness citizen committee along with a City liaison regarding homelessness.

Carol Glover spoke about Leadership Manhattan Beach, the issues occurring within leadership positions, and suggested that improvements can be made to the bylaws.

Jon Chaykowski spoke about undergrounding and advocated for the benefits being appropriate to the costs incurred. Additionally, he supported a temporary ban on e-scooters.

Chris Cagle, South Bay Workforce Investment Board, provided the Fourth Quarter Report and invited the City Council to the Alumni event on November 1, 2018, and the Orientation event on September 26, 2018.

Mark Lipps spoke in support of the South Bay Workforce Investment Board, the ongoing reforms occurring at Leadership Manhattan Beach and advocated for the City's continued support.

Bill Victor spoke about Leadership Manhattan Beach, his opposition to parking meter rates increasing, his agreement with Jon Chaykowski's comments regarding undergrounding, and mentioned concerns with questions and identification requirements associated with the online survey to potentially change Sepulveda Boulevard to Pacific Coast Highway.

Sandra Elsky spoke about her concerns with the authors of the Homelessness Plan and suggested modifications to the City's draft "Five Year Plan to Address Homelessness in our Community."

Lucia Da Rosa Ames spoke in support of the City having a Homelessness Plan in place to assist with homeless individuals and suggested that the plan is missing some key elements.

Steven Rohens spoke about the first day of school tomorrow and traffic issues near the school. Additionally, he spoke about concerns with the Homelessness Plan.

Gordana Valaduch spoke about homelessness and advocated for the City to take action by providing the appropriate resources to solve the issue.

G. CONSENT CALENDAR (APPROVE)

Councilmember Lesser announced that he would abstain from voting on Agenda Item No. 7 – Resolution No. 18-0119 Awarding a Professional Design Services Agreement to NV5 for Assessment Engineering Services for Proposed Undergrounding Utility Assessment Districts 12 and 14, as it presents a Conflict of Interest.

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Hersman, to approve the Consent Calendar with the inclusion of Agenda Item No. 13 – Letter of Opposition to the Bureau of Cannabis Control Proposed Regulations Regarding Removing Cities' Ability to Ban Cannabis Deliveries and without Agenda Item No. 6 – Update on the Sustainability Task Force and Formation of the Sustainability Youth Council (to be heard under "H. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar)." The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Abstain: 1 - Lesser (Agenda Item No. 7)

2. City Council Minutes: [18-0304](#)
This Item Contains Minutes of the Following City Council Meeting(s):
a) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2018
b) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2018
c) City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes (Closed Session) of August 7, 2018
d) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2018
(City Clerk Tamura).
APPROVE

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

3. Financial Report: [18-0362](#)
Schedule of Demands: July 19, 2018 (Interim Finance Director Charelian).
ACCEPT REPORT AND DEMANDS

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

4. Resolution No. 18-0122 Approving Amendment No. 2 to the Existing Agreement with Richards, Watson, & Gershon for Legal Services Provided in Connection with Matters Reimbursed by Applicants for Land Use Permits; Property Owners and Developers Seeking Entitlements; and Other Third Parties (City Manager Moe). [18-0382](#)
ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-0122

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

5. Resolution No. 18-0118 Awarding RFP No. 1159-18 to Main Street Tours, Inc. for a Three-Year Contract for Charter Bus Services with an Estimated Annual Value of \$100,000 (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). [18-0353](#)
ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-0118

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

6. Update on the Sustainability Task Force and Formation of the Sustainability Youth Council (Community Development Director McIntosh). [18-0333](#)
a) RECEIVE AND FILE
b) APPROVE

This item was moved from the Consent Calendar and heard under Section H. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar.

7. Resolution No. 18-0119 Awarding a Professional Design Services Agreement to NV5 for Assessment Engineering Services for Proposed Underground Utility Assessment Districts 12 and 14 for \$83,735, and Appropriating \$123,735 from the Unreserved General Fund Balance as Follows: \$40,885 for UUAD 12, \$42,850 for UUAD 14 and \$40,000 for Future District 4 (Public Works Director Katsouleas). [18-0365](#)
a) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-0119
b) APPROVE APPROPRIATION

The recommendation for this item was approved on the Consent Calendar with Councilmember Lesser abstaining from the vote.

8. Resolution No. 18-0120 Approving Amendment No. 5 for \$279,710 to HDR Engineering, Inc.'s Existing Professional Services Agreement for Continued Land Acquisition Support Services and Other Technical Support for the Sepulveda Bridge Widening Project. (Public Works Director Katsouleas). [18-0363](#)
ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-0120

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

9. Resolution No. 18-0121 Ratifying Agreements with Vector Resources for Temporary Network Administrator (Information Technology Director Taylor). [18-0361](#)

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-0121

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

13. Letter of Opposition to the Bureau of Cannabis Control Proposed Regulations Regarding Removing Cities' Ability to Ban Cannabis Deliveries (Community Development Director McIntosh). [18-0383](#)

APPROVE LETTER OF OPPOSITION

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

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Update on the Sustainability Task Force and Formation of the Sustainability Youth Council (Community Development Director McIntosh). [18-0333](#)

a) RECEIVE AND FILE

b) APPROVE

Councilmember Hersman provided a brief background on the current Sustainability Task Force and the role of the students within the group.

Environmental Programs Manager Dana Murray and City Attorney Quinn Barrow responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Allie Bussjaeger, Sustainability Task Force member, provided clarification to the proposed Sustainability Youth Council.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hersman, seconded by Mayor Howorth, to receive the update on the Sustainability Task Force and approve the formation of the Sustainability Youth Council with Staff returning to the City Council in six months to review the Sustainability Youth Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. Public Hearing for Coastal Development Permits and Approval of an Increase to Parking Meter Rates for On-Street and Parking Lot Meters for the Appealable and Non-Appealable Zones (Interim Finance Director Charelian). [18-0360](#)
- a) **CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING**
- b) **ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 18-0113 AND 18-0114**

Interim Finance Director Steve Charelian provided the PowerPoint presentation.

Interim Finance Director Charelian, Community Development Director Anne McIntosh, City Manager Bruce Moe and Public Works Director Stephanie Katsouleas responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the public hearing.

Bill Victor suggested that Staff contact residents on the potential parking meter increase and spoke about how the City of Manhattan Beach compares to neighboring cities. Additionally, he submitted a Public Records Act Request to inspect all expenses for parking meters and parking.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano stated his support for street and lot rates being raised to \$1.50, not \$1.75.

Mayor Howorth concurred with Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano's suggestion of raising the parking meter street and lot rates being raised to \$1.50, not \$1.75.

Councilmember Hersman stated that the City's current meter enforcement times offer a benefit to the community.

Councilmember Lesser questioned the potential impact of raising the parking meter rates.

Councilmember Montgomery indicated that the parking meter rates have not been increased in ten years and the Parking and Public Improvements Commission had voted to approve raising street and lot rates to \$1.75.

Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano questioned the need to raise parking meter rates in light of alternative revenue streams that may arise in the future.

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Hersman, to adopt Resolution No. 18-0113 approving a Coastal Development Permit to raise the fee for public parking meters by \$0.50 per hour for on-street parking meters resulting in a \$1.75 per hour rate and a \$0.50 increase for County and State Beach Lot meters resulting in a \$2.00 per hour rate within the appealable portion of the City's coastal zone. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howorth, Hersman, Montgomery and Lesser

Nay: 1 - Napolitano

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Hersman, to adopt Resolution No. 18-0114 approving an increase of \$0.50 per hour for on-street parking meters resulting in a \$1.75 per hour rate and a \$0.75 per hour increase for city-owned lot meters resulting in a \$1.50 per hour rate within the non-appealable portion of the City's coastal zone. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howorth, Hersman, Montgomery and Lesser

Nay: 1 - Napolitano

At 7:48 PM City Council recessed and reconvened at 7:55 PM with all Councilmembers present.

J. GENERAL BUSINESS

11. Discussion Regarding Interim Options for Ambulance Services (Acting Fire Chief Abell).

[18-0298](#)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Acting Fire Chief Derrick Abell provided the Staff presentation.

Acting Fire Chief Abell, Fire Battalion Chief Mike Boyd and City Manager Bruce Moe responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Steve Packwood spoke in support of public safety and the importance of ambulance services to residents.

Bill Victor questioned potential conflicts of interest and response times for independent ambulance companies. Additionally, he questioned whether the Beach Cities Health District could be of assistance.

Wayne Powell spoke in support of City Council moving forward with option #3 as suggested by staff, but that City Council should approve a solution temporarily until a permanent solution is created.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

Acting Fire Chief Abell and Fire Battalion Chief Boyd responded to City Council questions.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hersman, seconded by Mayor Howorth, to direct Staff to return with a fee-for-service contract (Option #3 in Staff Report) from a private ambulance company that requires an ambulance to respond utilizing the closest available unit pre-deployed in the area. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

City Attorney Quinn Barrow stated that staff will return at a future meeting with a contract as directed by City Council.

12. Consider Urgency Ordinance No. 18-0018-U and Ordinance No. 18-0018 to Temporarily Prohibit Shared Mobility Devices from Being Placed in any Public Right-of-Way or on Public Property, Operated in any Public Right-of-Way or on Public Property, or Offered for Use Anywhere in the City and Adopt Resolution No. 18-0124 Amending the Comprehensive Fee Schedule to Specify that the City's Existing Administrative Fees Related to the Release of Impounded Vehicles Apply to Shared Mobility Devices (City Manager Moe).

[18-0387](#)

- 1) **ADOPT URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 18-0018-U**
- 2) **INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 18-0018**
- 3) **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-0124**

Management Analyst George Gabriel provided the Staff presentation and responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Wayne Powell spoke in support of City Council moving forward with the urgency ordinance and exploring an e-mobility plan regarding shared mobility devices.

Fred Manna suggested alternative options on how to manage and handle shared mobility devices.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

City Attorney Quinn Barrow read the title of Urgency Ordinance No. 18-0018-U into the record:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH ADDING CHAPTER 14.70 (SHARED MOBILITY DEVICES) TO TITLE 14 (TRAFFIC) OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT SHARED MOBILITY DEVICES FROM BEING PLACED IN ANY PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OR ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, OPERATED IN ANY PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OR ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, OR OFFERED FOR USE ANYWHERE IN THE CITY AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 18-0018-U. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

City Attorney Barrow read the title of Ordinance No. 18-0018 into the record:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH ADDING CHAPTER 14.70 (SHARED MOBILITY DEVICES) TO TITLE 14 (TRAFFIC) OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT SHARED MOBILITY DEVICES FROM BEING PLACED IN ANY PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OR ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, OPERATED IN ANY PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OR ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, OR OFFERED FOR USE ANYWHERE IN THE CITY

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to introduce Ordinance No. 18-0018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to adopt Resolution No. 18-0124. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

14. Consideration of the City's Draft Five-Year Plan to Address Homelessness in Our Community (City Manager Moe).

[18-0306](#)

ADOPT PLAN

Management Analyst George Gabriel provided the PowerPoint presentation.

Management Analyst Gabriel, Police Chief Derrick Abell, City Attorney Quinn Barrow and City Manager Bruce Moe responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Paul Stansbury provided statistics regarding mental illnesses amongst homeless individuals, spoke in support of regional cooperation and the County's Mental Health Evaluation Team.

Lee Phillips spoke about the Palisades Resident Task Force model and advocated for a point of contact in the form of a community representative that could assist residents with answering questions related to homelessness.

Antonette Gail spoke about the the need for goals, measurable success, and enforcement of ordinances in the Civic Center.

Jeff, Manhattan Beach resident, spoke about the community meeting held on homelessness, public engagement within the development of the plan and enforcing policies that promote safety in the community.

Sandra Elsky suggested the Pier be included in policies that promote safety, questioned the inclusion of senior housing within the plan and advocated for a City liaison on homelessness be chosen from a competitive bidding process.

Lucia Da Rosa Ames spoke in support of the homelessness plan and provided further suggestions on how the grant money can be used in the future.

Laura Kieley spoke about the homelessness plan, the importance of working with other cities and providing the Police Department with solutions in response to homeless individuals.

Mike Machalski spoke about the suggested plan, thanked the City Attorney for the proposition of updating current ordinances and advocated for a Staff position dedicated to the homelessness subject matter, that reports directly to the City Manager.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

City Manager Moe responded to City Council questions.

A motion was made by Mayor Howorth, seconded by Councilmember Hersman, to adopt the City's "Five-Year Plan to Address Homelessness in Our Community" and directed Staff to: 1) Appoint a Staff person in the City Manager's Office to respond to homelessness concerns; 2) Create a task force on homelessness; and 3) Place information regarding homelessness in a prominent location on the City's website. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

At 10:06 PM City Council recessed and reconvened at 10:16 PM with all Councilmembers present.

At 10:17 PM, a motion was made by Councilmember Lesser, seconded by Councilmember Hersman to extend the August 21, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting past 11:00 PM. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howorth, Hersman, Montgomery and Lesser

Abstain: 1 - Napolitano

16. Preliminary Discussion of City's Uniform Hotel/Motel Transient Occupancy Tax (Transient Occupancy Tax) (Interim Finance Director Charelian).

[18-0376](#)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

This Agenda Item was taken out of order, per City Council direction at Item D - Approval of Agenda and Waiver of Full Reading of Ordinances.

Interim Finance Director Steve Charelian provided the PowerPoint presentation.

City Manager Bruce Moe responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Mark Lipps spoke about his concerns on raising the TOT in light of the return on investment various hotels are making within the community.

Tiffany Lesperance, General Manager of the Belamar Hotel, spoke about challenges the hotel would experience in raising the TOT to 14%.

Mr. Patel, Director of Operations at Best Western on Sepulveda, spoke about the negative impacts raising the TOT would have on his hotel.

Mike Zislis supported the City keeping the TOT rate at the current percentage and not raising the tax.

Nakish Bapta, Owner of Hi View Inn & Suites, spoke about the significant impact changing the TOT from 10% to 14% would have.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

City Manager Moe responded to City Council questions.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, seconded by Councilmember Hersman, directing Staff to conduct polling on increasing the City's uniform hotel/motel Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) at rates of 12%,13%, or 14% and return to the City Council at the first meeting in October with the necessary resolutions. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

City Manager Moe stated that Staff will return with a contract with Lew Edwards Group regarding polling services, as directed by City Council.

15. Discuss the Impacts of Senate Bill 415 and the Possibility of Changing the General Municipal Election to Another Date (City Clerk Tamura).

[18-0305](#)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Management Analyst George Gabriel provided the PowerPoint presentation.

Management Analyst Gabriel and City Clerk Liza Tamura responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Wayne Powell spoke about the decision made by City Council in 2016 to comply with SB 415 and the intention to increase voter turnout. Additionally, he stated that other cities have opted into the same election path plan as Manhattan Beach.

Russ Lesser stated his desire for informed voters rather than uninformed voters and suggested to leave the election as is.

Steve Packwood indicated that since the City Council is no longer discussing extending terms, he spoke about various expenses of other agenda items.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

Councilmember Montgomery expressed his concerns for voter fatigue and the large number of candidates associated with November election ballots.

Councilmember Lesser expressed his agreement with Councilmember Montgomery's concerns but indicated his support for maintaining the status quo of elections in November of even years. Additionally, he expressed concerns related to the future costs from LA County on upcoming elections.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, seconded by Mayor Howorth, directing Staff to maintain the current election path of elections being held in November of even years beginning in 2020. Additionally, City Council directed Staff to agendize a discussion on options the City can explore to fund elections going forward and holding concurrent but separate elections from Los Angeles County. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howorth, Napolitano, Hersman and Lesser

Nay: 1 - Montgomery

17. Report on City Support Provided to Leadership Manhattan Beach as Non-Profit Organization (City Clerk Tamura).

[18-0368](#)

DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

City Manager Bruce Moe provided a brief presentation on the item.

Mayor Howorth indicated that she requested to agendaize discussion of the item and it was in response to issues occurring within Leadership Manhattan Beach (LMB). She further stated that the City Council should decide whether the City would like to continue supporting the program.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Wayne Powell mentioned that Leadership Manhattan Beach was a great program and commended the current board for putting forward a number of revisions to fix ongoing issues.

Steven Carvel, Alumni Director for Leadership Manhattan Beach, stated that the Board of Directors was responding to ongoing problems, has developed a plan to address issues and will review those solutions within 90 days.

Wende Nichols-Julien stated her confidence in the current Board of Directors and advocated that the City should continue supporting the organization.

Craig Cadwallader mentioned the importance of the Leadership Manhattan Beach program.

Annie Hendrickson stated it would be unwise to pull the City's support and it was important to build upon the success of Leadership Manhattan Beach.

Jane Euler discussed inappropriate campaign actions taken during the 2017 LMB election, disrespectful treatment by the President of Leadership Manhattan Beach, and also expressed concerns with the nominating committee.

Shannon Ryan stated that the steering committee needs influence to ensure reforms are completed and expressed her concerns for the current leaders within Leadership Manhattan Beach.

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Howorth closed the floor to public comment.

Steven Carvel responded to City Council questions.

Councilmember Lesser stated his concerns and proposed for LMB to meet with City Council and provide information on the bylaws and modifications that have been made to remediate some of the current issues.

Councilmember Hersman stated her concern that the Board was not following the "Mission" of Leadership Manhattan Beach and recommended that the 2019 class be placed on hold for a year until changes are made within the program and the Board of Directors.

Councilmember Montgomery mentioned that the Board currently lacked trust and the

City Council should discuss the item again at a future meeting to examine reforms.

Mayor Howorth shared her various concerns for the organization and questioned the City's support of the organization in the upcoming year.

Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano stated his concerns regarding the attitude and approach occurring within Leadership Manhattan Beach and believed the City Council should discuss the item again at an upcoming meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, seconded by Councilmember Lesser, to direct Staff to return to City Council with a status report on improvements made to Leadership Manhattan Beach within 60 days to determine future funding and/or support. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howorth, Napolitano, Montgomery and Lesser

Nay: 1 - Hersman

K. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND REPORTS INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

None.

L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

18. Agenda Forecast (City Clerk Tamura). DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

[18-0375](#)

Mayor Howorth requested that the City Council meeting, falling on Yom Kippur, be rescheduled to the day after, on Wednesday of the same week.

Councilmember Lesser requested and received concurrence from Mayor Howorth, to agendize discussion on the future of fire services within the City, specifically, exploring a feasibility study and/or scope of the study, at a future meeting.

City Attorney Barrow clarified that Staff will return with costs related to conducting the study at a future meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano requested to discuss alternative names to changing Sepulveda Boulevard to Pacific Coast Highway, but failed to receive concurrence from another Councilmember.

M. CITY MANAGER REPORT

None.

N. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

None.

O. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

19. This Item Includes the Finance Subcommittee Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2018 (Interim Finance Director Charelian). [18-0395](#)
INFORMATION ITEM ONLY

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

P. CLOSED SESSION

None.

Q. ADJOURNMENT

At 12:18 AM Mayor Howorth adjourned the meeting in memory of Arnie Rothans, the father of former Parks and Recreation Commissioner Steve Rothans, to the City Council Regular Meeting on September 4, 2018, at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, in said City.

George Gabriel
Recording Secretary

Amy Howorth
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk