

# City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, April 21, 2026

5:00 PM

Adjourned Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers

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### ***ELECTED OFFICIALS***

***Mayor David Lesser***

***Mayor Pro Tem Joe Franklin***

***Councilmember Nina Trieu Tarnay***

***Councilmember Steve S. Charelian***

***Councilmember Amy Thomas Howorth***

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**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

*Mayor Lesser called the meeting to order.*

**B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

*Mayor Lesser led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**C. ROLL CALL**

*Roll Call by City Clerk Liza Tamura.*

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

**D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Tarnay, seconded by Councilmember Charelian, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Nay:** 0

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

*Mayor Lesser opened the floor to public comments.*

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

**F. CLOSED SESSION**

*City Attorney Quinn Barrow announced the following Closed Session:*

**I. ANNOUNCEMENT IN OPEN SESSION OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

**a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR  
(Government Code Section 54957.6)**

**City Designated Representative: City Attorney  
Title: City Manager**

**b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL (EXISTING LITIGATION)  
(Government Code Section 54956.9(a))**

**Case Name: Chad Swanson (deceased)  
Workers' Compensation Appeals Board Case No.: ADJ18760206**

**c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL (ANTICIPATED LITIGATION)  
(Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2) and (e)(1))**

**A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council on the advice of its City Attorney, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City.**

**Number of Cases: 1**

**II. RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

*At 5:02 PM, the City Council recessed into Closed Session.*

**III. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

*At 6:07 PM, the City Council reconvened into Open Session with all City Councilmembers present.*

**IV. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT IN OPEN SESSION**

*City Attorney Quinn Barrow announced that the City Council went into Closed Session to discuss three separate items identified on the agenda. The City Council gave direction with respect to all three items.*

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

*At 6:08 PM, Mayor Lesser adjourned the meeting.*

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**Jamie Morita**  
**Recording Secretary**

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**David Lesser**  
**Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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