

City of Manhattan Beach

*1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, July 28, 2025

5:00 PM

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 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 Councilmember Franklin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lesser, 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. 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 LEGAL COUNSEL (EXISTING LITIGATION)
(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))**

Name of Case: SC GROUP 3400 FLETCHER, LLC v. CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH

Los Angeles Superior Court

Case No. 25TRCP0053

**b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL (ANTICIPATED LITIGATION)
(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and (e)(5))**

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. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.5, a record of such threat of litigation is included within the agenda packet which is available for public inspection upon request at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA. prior to the Council Meeting.

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 6:40PM, the City Council reconvened into Open Session with all City Councilmembers present.

IV. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT IN OPEN SESSION

City Attorney Barrow announced that the City Council went into Closed Session to discuss two separate items identified on the agenda. The City Council gave direction with respect to both items. There was no reportable action taken.

G. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:41 PM, Mayor Howorth adjourned the meeting.

Jamie Morita
Recording Secretary

Amy Thomas Howorth
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk