

City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Friday, March 13, 2015

9:00 AM

City Council Retreat - March 12, 2015 & March 13, 2015

Police/Fire Conference Room
400/420 15th Street, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

City Council

Mayor Wayne Powell
Mayor Pro Tem Mark Burton
Councilmember Tony D'Errico
Councilmember David J. Lesser
Councilmember Amy Howorth

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER - 9:00 AM**B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Mayor Powell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Powell, Mayor Pro Tem Burton, Councilmember D'Errico, Councilmember Lesser and Councilmember Howorth

D. CERTIFICATION OF MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA POSTING

City Clerk Liza Tamura confirmed that the meeting was properly posted.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Hearing no objections, the agenda was so ordered to be approved.

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Three Minutes Per Person)

The following individuals gave public comment:

*Ed Caprielian
Craig Cadwallader*

G. PREVIEW SESSION AND CARRY-OVER ITEMS FROM THURSDAY

John Nalbandian and the City Council, along with the Department Heads, reviewed the agenda for the day and summarized the topics discussed at the Thursday, March 12, 2015, City Council Retreat.

H. BUDGET PRESENTATION/ALIGNING EXPECTATIONS

Finance Director Bruce Moe provided a PowerPoint Presentation outlining the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget.

The City Council received the presentation by Finance Director Moe and discussed major drivers of work load and major projects that are currently underway.

I. HOW DO YOUR PRIORITIES ALIGN WITH WHAT WE HAVE HEARD

John Nalbandian led the discussion with the City Council outlining priorities connecting to the Community Survey and Community Budget Priority Meeting.

J. STRATEGIC PLANNING DISCUSSION

City Council discussed desired outcomes from the upcoming Strategic Planning Process.

L. WRAP-UP

John Nalbandian and the City Council reviewed the takeaways from the two day retreat which included:

- 1) Agreement regarding the importance of meeting management and a follow-up meeting on this topic*
- 2) Review of City Council requests to Staff (differentiating between simple and complex assignments)*
- 3) City Council request for an additional Budget Study Session to address City Council questions*
- 4) City Council agreed that the format of the examples of the strategic planning documents provided (City of Cerritos, California and the City of Bellevue, Washington) should be considered as an appropriate model for the City's upcoming Strategic Planning Process*
- 5) City Council confirmed that the foundation has been set for positive work.*

The City Council unanimously agreed that they should take advantage of previous work which includes: the work of Snider Associates, the Urban Land Institute, the Community Survey, the Budget engagement exercise, and the results of the Dreams and Fears exercise that the council engaged in at it's last retreat.

Common themes from those data sources that could lead to development of goals and objectives and categorization of existing goals and objectives seemed to be:

- Facilities and infrastructure*
- Environmental sensitivity*
- Preservation of small town, beach identity*
- Economic development*
- Citizen engagement*
- Financial efficiency and effectiveness of and respect for city government*

M. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Powell adjourned the Adjourned Regular City Council Meeting to the 5:30 PM Adjourned Regular City Council Meeting (Closed Session) on March 17, 2015, followed by the Regular City Council Meeting at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers in said City.

Matthew Cuevas
Recording Secretary

Wayne Powell
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk