

# City of Manhattan Beach

1400 Highland Avenue  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266



## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers and Zoom

## City Council Regular Meeting

### *ELECTED OFFICIALS*

*Mayor Joe Franklin*

*Mayor Pro Tem Amy Howorth*

*Councilmember David Lesser*

*Councilmember Steve Napolitano*

*Councilmember Richard Montgomery*

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**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

*Mayor Franklin called the meeting to order.*

**B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

*Arya Panah of Pennekamp Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**C. ROLL CALL**

*Roll Call occurred after the ceremonial calendar.*

**D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR**

1. Presentation of Certificates of Recognition to Mira Costa High School students Lily Boettcher, Gianna Goodman-Bhyat, Bella Rawitz, and Violette Rice for Receiving the 2024 Circle Award for Excellence in Poetry Composition. [24-0141](#)

**PRESENT**

*On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Franklin and Poetry Circle Member Eric Grow presented Certificates of Recognition to the following Mira Costa High School students for receiving the 2024 Circle Award for Excellence in Poetry Composition:*

*Lily Boettcher  
Gianna Goodman-Bhyat  
Bella Rawitz  
Violette Rice*

*Mayor Franklin also announced April 2024 as National Poetry Month and provided a proclamation to Mira Costa High School Teacher Shannon Vaughan.*

**C. ROLL CALL**

*Roll Call led by City Clerk Liza Tamura.*

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

**E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES**

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to approve the agenda and waive full reading of ordinances. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

**Nay:** 0

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

*Waste Management Recycling Representative Bobby Bell announced the Food Waste Recycling and Backyard Composting Workshops on May 4, 2024, at 10:00 AM, at the Manhattan Beach Botanical Gardens and responded to City Council questions.*

*Cultural Arts Supervisor Eric Brinkman announced the opening reception of the "+1" exhibition at the Manhattan Beach Art Center on April 19, 2024, from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM.*

*Library Manager Josh Murray announced a writing workshop for adults on April 23, 2024, from 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM; and a teen writing workshop on April 30, 2024, from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM.*

*Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce Chairman of the Board Latrice McGlothin, Boardmember Abby Waddell, and Boardmember Erin Fiorito announced: a mixer at Grunions on April 17, 2024, from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM; the Spring Kick-Off Mixer for Young and Emerging Leaders at Palm Realty on April 18, 2024, at 5:30 PM; and a Power Hour Lunch and Learn at Unita on April 25, 2024, at 11:30 AM.*

*Mira Costa High School ASB Students Michael Butler, Trey Bush, and Kasey Kernochan provided updates regarding recent and upcoming events at the school.*

*Resident Carol Patterson announced a production of The Drowsy Chaperone at the Manhattan Beach Community Church at 8:00 PM on April 19th and 20th, and at 2:00 PM on April 21st.*

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

*Mayor Franklin announced that other cities had recently had their meetings disrupted by anti-Semitic or racially based comments through Zoom. Such comments are disruptive, interfere with the people's business, and are not within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. He instructed the City Clerk's Office to mute any speakers who attempt to disrupt the meeting with anti-Semitic or derogatory comments based upon race, gender, or other protected categories.*

*Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments. The following individual(s) spoke:*

- Julie Justus McGinity*
- Andre D. Moore Sr.*
- Ronisha Roberson*
- Lee Whyms*
- Michael Jenkins*
- Peter Kim*

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

**H. CONSENT CALENDAR (APPROVE)**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Napolitano, seconded by Councilmember Lesser, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

**Nay:** 0

**2. City Council Minutes: [24-0129](#)**

This Item Contains Minutes of the Following City Council Meeting(s):

- a) City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2024
- b) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2024 (City Clerk Tamura).

**APPROVE**

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

3. Financial Reports: [24-0136](#)
- a) Schedule of Demands for March 8, 2024 through March 29, 2024
  - b) Investment Portfolio for the Month February 29, 2024
  - c) Financial Month End Report for February 29, 2024  
(Finance Director Charelian).

**ACCEPT REPORTS AND DEMANDS**

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

4. Declaration of Proclamations for the Following: [24-0149](#)
- a) April 22, 2024, as National Earth Day
  - b) April 2024, as National Poetry Month.

**PROCLAIM**

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

5. Consideration of Approving a Comprehensive Citywide Salary Schedule for all City Positions and Adjustments to Salary Ranges [24-0134](#)  
(Human Resources Director Jenkins).

**ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0032**

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

6. Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Four-Year Agreement with Yunex, LLC for On-call Emergency Response Services for Streetlights and Flashing Lights for an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$400,000 (Public Work Director Lee). [24-0041](#)

**A) WAIVE FORMAL BIDDING DUE TO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING**

**B) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0034**

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

**I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

*None.*

**J. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7. Conduct Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Fees to Recover Costs Related to Electric Vehicle Charging at City Facilities (Public Works Director Lee). [24-0014](#)

*(Estimated Time: 15 Mins.)*

**A) CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING**

**B) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0037**

*Public Works Director Erick Lee introduced Senior Management Analyst Nicky Petroff who provided the PowerPoint presentation and responded to City Council questions.*

*Mayor Franklin opened the floor to the public hearing.*

*Seeing no requests to speak, Mayor Franklin closed the public hearing.*

*Community Development Director Talyn Mirzakhonian responded to City Council questions.*

**A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, to adopt Resolution No. 24-0037, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Manhattan Beach establishing a fee and regulations for electric vehicle charging stations. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser and Montgomery

**Nay:** 1 - Napolitano

**K. GENERAL BUSINESS****8.** Consideration of:[24-0125](#)

- a) A Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) Estimate to Implement the Long-Term Outdoor Dining Program's Preferred Vision;
- b) Recommendations from the Outdoor Dining Task Force; and
- c) Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG), and if Approved, Appropriation of \$91,727 from the General Fund (Community Development Director Mirzakhanian).

**(Estimated Time: 2 Hrs.)**

**A) DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION****B) APPROPRIATE FUNDS****C) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0038**

*Community Development Director Talyn Mirzakhanian provided background regarding the item and introduced the staff members that would be available during the presentation and thanked those involved in the process.*

*Senior Planner Jaehee Yoon provided the PowerPoint presentation.*

*Senior Planner Yoon, Community Development Director Mirzakhanian, City Traffic Engineer Erik Zandvliet, Senior Civil Engineer Jeff Fijalka, and Finance Director Steve Charelian responded to City Council questions.*

*Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments. The following individual(s) spoke:*

*Alexandra Smith*

*Peter Kim*

*City Traffic Engineer Zandvliet responded to City Council question.*

*Public comments continued with the following individual(s):*

*Suzanne Lerner*

*Carol Perrin*

*Martha Andreani*

*Patricia Gilbert*

*Nikelas T*

*Mia Johansson*

*Seeing no further requests to speak Mayor Franklin closed the floor to public comments.*

*At 8:23 PM, the City Council recessed and reconvened at 8:35 PM with all City Councilmembers present.*

*Community Development Director Mirzakhanian responded to City Council questions.*

A motion was made by Councilmember Napolitano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, to adopt Resolution No. 24-0038, a resolution of the Manhattan Beach City Council approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Manhattan Beach and Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG) to develop preliminary plans for the Long-Term Outdoor Dining Program; and took no action on the task force's recommendations at this time regarding: 1) live outdoor entertainment and amplified music in outdoor dining areas and 2) a code enforcement mechanism for outdoor dining permits. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

**Nay:** 0

*Community Development Director Mirzakhonian responded to City Council questions.*

9. Request from Sandpipers for Dedicated Use of a Room at a Discounted Rate at the Senior and Scout Community Center for Ten Years in Exchange for a \$50,000 Donation to Friends of the Senior and Scout Community Center (Parks and Director Leyman). [24-0147](#)

**(Estimated Time: 15 Mins.)**

**DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION**

*Parks and Recreation Director Mark Leyman provided the staff presentation and responded to City Council questions.*

*Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments. The following individual(s) spoke:*

*Beth Gessner  
Joanne Hunter  
Ellor Parikh*

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Napolitano, to approve a request from Sandpipers for dedicated use of a room at a discounted rate at the Senior and Scout Community Center for a ten-year term, in exchange for a \$50,000 donation to the Friends of the Senior and Scout Community Center. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

**Nay:** 0

10. Consideration of a Resolution Expressing Support for Actions to Further Strengthen Local Democracy, Authority, and Control as Related to Local Zoning and Housing Issues (City Manager Moe).  
(Estimated Time: 10 Min.)

[24-0172](#)

**ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0039**

*Assistant to the City Manager George Gabriel provided the staff presentation.*

*Mayor Franklin opened the floor to public comments.*

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

**A motion was made by Mayor Franklin, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, to adopt Resolution No. 24-0039, a resolution of the Manhattan Beach City Council expressing support for actions to further strengthen local democracy, authority, and control as related to local zoning and housing issues. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Franklin, Howorth, Lesser, Montgomery and Napolitano

**Nay:** 0

**L. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND REPORTS INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS**

*None.*

**M. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*None.*

**N. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

*City Manager Bruce Moe announced his retirement from the City after 35 years of service.*

*The City Council provided comments regarding City Manager Moe's service to the City.*

**O. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

*City Attorney Quinn Barrow provided comments regarding City Manager Moe's retirement.*

**P. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- 11. Agenda Forecast (City Clerk Tamura). [24-0130](#)  
**INFORMATION ITEM ONLY**

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

- 12. Commission Minutes: [24-0166](#)  
Parking and Public Improvements Commission Meeting Minutes of  
December 7, 2023 (Community Development Director Mirzakhonian).  
**INFORMATION ITEM ONLY**

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

**Q. CLOSED SESSION**

*None.*

**R. ADJOURNMENT**

*At 9:46 PM, Mayor Franklin adjourned the meeting to 5:00 PM on April 23, 2024.*

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**Patricia Matson**  
**Recording Secretary**

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**Joe Franklin**  
**Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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