

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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## Responses

### What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Answered 20

Skipped 1

ago **beach** been care center **community department**  
**each** enjoy environmental etc feel **fire** friendly **good** great initial its  
**like** love mb member now place **police** relative **safe** safety **schools** sense  
**small** still **t they town us was** weather where which

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### If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Answered 20

Skipped 1

- **beach blvd** calpers **cars** cities community concerned **corner** could council  
**don employees enforcement** fixing from help **holes** into **mb**  
**more** parking pay **police S** salaries **school** see **size small** staff  
street **streets** such t them **they** up use **way**

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### What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Answered 21

Skipped 0

**all** also beach concerned **council** crime **downtown**  
drones during **employees** finance **from** government hall her **homeless**

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housing increase increased increasing **lack** life live living **loss**  
**manhattan** mb only **out** quality s **small** then **town** traffic trucks  
 use what **which** **who**

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Answered 20  
 Skipped 1

**department fire** library **none** parking parks **pickup** planning **police** public recreation services traffic  
**trash water**

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

		%	Count
Yes		85.7%	18
No		14.3%	3

## If yes, which ones?

Answered 18  
 Skipped 3

**10k** attendee **cert** concerts **fair fireworks** holiday hometown **lighting** meetings  
 neighborhood park pier pumpkin town **watch**

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Answered 20  
 Skipped 1

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- accessible **air all** atmosphere **being clean community** crime  
education environment family friendly ft **great life** living low mb  
**means neighborliness neighbors** open oriented parks **people**  
public quality **resources safe** safety schools sq **streets**  
water weather **west** what **where**

Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

## Average Priorities

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Emergency Services  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Modernized public facilities  
Access to online or app-based City services

Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

Answered	11
Skipped	10

community **enforcement noise** side

Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.

**Emergency preparedness and education**

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		%	Count
Reduce		5.0%	1
Maintain		65.0%	13
Enhance		25.0%	5

## Modernized public facilities

		%	Count
Reduce		15.0%	3
Maintain		60.0%	12
Enhance		25.0%	5

## Access to online or app-based City services

		%	Count
Reduce		20.0%	4
Maintain		65.0%	13
Enhance		15.0%	3

## Recreation and cultural programs

		%	Count
Reduce		15.0%	3
Maintain		60.0%	12
Enhance		25.0%	5

## Opportunities for civic engagement

		%	Count
Reduce		5.0%	1
Maintain		75.0%	15

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		%	Count
Enhance		15.0%	3

## Emergency Services

		%	Count
Maintain		65.0%	13
Enhance		35.0%	7

## Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas

		%	Count
Maintain		65.0%	13
Enhance		35.0%	7

## Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces

		%	Count
Reduce		10.0%	2
Maintain		70.0%	14
Enhance		15.0%	3

## Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems

		%	Count
Maintain		45.0%	9
Enhance		45.0%	9

## Additional or improved transportation and parking options

		%	Count
Maintain		45.0%	9
Enhance		50.0%	10

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## What City services are in most need of improvement?

Answered	16
Skipped	5

**means more parking streets traffic**

## How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?

	%	Count
Email	61.9%	13
City Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)	9.5%	2
Manhappenings magazine	52.4%	11
Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)	71.4%	15
Word of mouth	33.3%	7
Street Banners	23.8%	5
Other	9.5%	2

## Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?

	%	Count
Yes	57.9%	11
No	42.1%	8

## Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?

Answered	12
Skipped	9

**budget** clear how important inputs **know like more new parking pension**

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program providing rating response road s safety status suggest what

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Gary Osterhout inside City Limits (registered)

February 17, 2018, 4:04 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Great weather, affluent community, easy commute, emphasis on education.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Orientation to higher quality amenities and processes one would expect of a city of our size, wealth and education.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

City Hall's focus on what's best for City Hall. Loss of attention to aesthetics and beautification. Loss of small town atmosphere and an understanding of its value. Inadequate code enforcement. Lack of accountability and evidence-based decision making by council. Undue influence on government by developers, advertisers, promoters and city employees wanting to use city as an ATM. Too many independent interest group projects due to lack of government action and leadership. Short-term concern with home appreciation than quality of life. Public recreation facilities not meeting standards for need, necessary upkeep or maintenance.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Same as everyone: water, sewer, trash, police, fire, parks, roads.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

No

## If yes, which ones?

No response

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Great weather, financial resources of community, clean air and water, shorter commutes, neighborliness, great education system, nice shopping.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems

Emergency Services

Opportunities for civic engagement

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

Better code enforcement policies and enforcement; Well maintained parks (beyond just "safe and clean.")

Additional and improved transportation (not including parking).

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**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

No response

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Better surveys and other means to evaluate and prioritize needs.

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Other - Do not see relevance of question to the budget process.

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

Yes, I would like to know, given our reserves and that we are one of the more wealthy communities in the country (if not the world), when we are going to get a decent pool, or a good intracity transit system, or a planned tree planting program, or the Veteran's Parkway running path subsurface humps will be somewhat leveled. I would like to know why we set aside so little for replacement of our public facilities, even in respect to providing for deferred maintenance beyond the current year. I would like it empirically quantified how residents have benefited from our AAA credit rating, as opposed to, say, a AA rating, and what we have sacrificed for this "benefit."

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Name not available (unclaimed)

February 6, 2018, 12:38 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

No response

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

More of a visible police presence to help deter crime -and diversion of resources to the police dept. - and perhaps away from the city council offices and/or Chamber of Commerce/business groups to help make this happen. Enforcement of the Vehicle Code provisions against loud motorcycles. More enforcement of anti-loitering/anti-camping laws to prevent tent cities from springing up here as they have in other cities.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Less semi-affordable housing options; increase in crime/property crimes; mansionization.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

No response

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

hometown fair, fireworks

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Clean, quiet, and safe streets.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency Services  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Modernized public facilities  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Access to online or app-based City services

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**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

No response

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Enhance

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Reduce

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

police- more patrol officers are needed

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

City Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

February 6, 2018, 12:29 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

It is a safe community that offers lots of educational and community-building activities. It has a small town feel and good schools. City officials care about their residents and local nonprofits.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

N/A

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

I am a renter and may be priced out of living here.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

library

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Fireworks, Pier Lighting, 10K

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Low crime, small-town atmosphere where people know and care about their neighbors

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

- Emergency Services
- Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems
- Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas
- Modernized public facilities
- Emergency preparedness and education
- Opportunities for civic engagement
- Additional or improved transportation and parking options
- Recreation and cultural programs
- Local shopping, dining and gathering space
- Access to online or app-based City services

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

N/A

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## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Don't Know

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

Word of mouth

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No thanks.

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

February 1, 2018, 3:46 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Police and Fire department personnel - they genuinely care, even if they are underpaid and thus cannot buy a house in MB

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Traffic enforcement - speeding, wrong way on one-way streets, noise pollution

Better use of tax dollars - AstroTurf and a \$40MM gym when students don't have books and teachers are underpaid suggests that are priorities are misguided.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

It has become a "whites only" enclave. No attempt to bring diversity through affordable housing; Blind eye to the homeless who live in the city

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

None (unless you want to include the roadways)

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Fireworks; MB 10k; Hometown Fair

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Over-rated

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems

Additional or improved transportation and parking options

Emergency Services

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas

Local shopping, dining and gathering space

Recreation and cultural programs

Opportunities for civic engagement

Emergency preparedness and education

Access to online or app-based City services

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Modernized public facilities

**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**  
Budget prioritization... stop spending what you don't have

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Modernized public facilities: Reduce

Access to online or app-based City services: Reduce

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Reduce

Emergency Services: Enhance

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

School Committee... always looking for more money

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

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No response

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 31, 2018, 9:59 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Relatively safe, enjoy the beach

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Very concerned with prioritizing infrastructure needs such as fixing potholes in the streets ,fixing water mains etc. The money developers pay into the arts fund should be re-directed to completely repave streets ,not just slurry them

Concerned with the salaries /benefits package of city employees. CALPERS is an unsustainable system,employees must either opt out or pay a much larger share.If new employees want CALPERS ,salaries need to be decreased proportionally. In a city this size,I don't think any city employee salary should be over \$200,000.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

pension and salary costs of city employees ,who in my dealings with them have not been very helpful. For instance I had asked a question at the finance counter, was redirected to the receptionist( where I waited for her to get off her cell phone) who then called someone else who then told me to ask finance ,which I explained I started with.Everyone seemed irritated with the other employees and were not customer service oriented

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

The city water and trash services

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Hometown Fair, Neighborhood Watch ,Earthquake and CERT meetings

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

I would like to see seamless infrastructure such as smooth streets, trimmed trees,functioning water/electrical /phone service

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Emergency Services

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**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

No response

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Reduce

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Public works

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

How the city plans to handle pension obligations and what they are doing to find another sustainable pension or 401 k program for new hires

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 30, 2018, 1:04 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

My 'likes' were determined by my initial impressions and experience when I first moved here over 30 years ago. With the City's original Mission and Vision of maintaining the ambience of 'a small beach community' now an anachronism, I have had to abandon my initial enthusiasm and accept the 'Santa Monification' of our once beautiful coastal town. 'Like' is now relative to that which surrounds us but is gradually engulfing us through overdevelopment and environmental greed. Despite this, still like and enjoy the relative safety, friendliness, public facilities and proximity to beach and ocean

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

A return to its original vision and motto of a 'small beach community' embedded within a restricted egocentricism of the 21st Century. A moratorium on development or at least a limitation to that of size and compatability that adds to a sense of neighborhood and community.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

The citification of a once 'small town' and all that that brings - crowding, crime and crassness

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Attendance at city council along with usual public services.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

10K, Hometown Fair, Pier to Pier Walk, Fireworks, Farmer's Market

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

That which is slowly being eroded by crowding, overdevelopment and a growing lack of sense of neighborliness and of community.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency preparedness and education  
Emergency Services  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Opportunities for civic engagement

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Modernized public facilities  
Access to online or app-based City services  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space

## **Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

Control of overdevelopment

## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Enhance  
Modernized public facilities: Enhance  
Access to online or app-based City services: Enhance  
Recreation and cultural programs: Enhance  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain  
Emergency Services: Maintain  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Relationship and awareness of City Council to its constituents through a means of ongoing electronic interchange

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Manhappenings magazine  
Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)  
Street Banners

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

It would be important to share a summarized detailed budget, including itemized pension commitments to each retired city employee, with opportunity for discussion and meaningful input prior to ratification

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 30, 2018, 12:01 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

The sense of community that is derived from our smallish size, downtown civic and commercial center, and community events like the Hometown Fair, the Fireworks, and the Fire Station dinners.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

I think I remember Fire Station Pancake breakfasts; do these still occur? Always good opportunities for the community to come together and could provide an opportunity for our civic leaders to connect with the citizens in a casual, less formal way.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

I am concerned about the congestion and traffic in the downtown as well as on the main arteries in and out of the city. The traffic on Highland and Sepulveda is becoming unbearable.

I am also concerned about the air and noise pollution from delivery trucks. Understand that online shopping is a way of life, but during the christmas season I counted 15 trucks on 32nd street between Alma and the top of the Sand Dune during the course of one day.

The use of drones is also intrusive. On several occasions drones have flown and hovered outside our window in the evening when we are having family time. It is rude and disrespectful of our privacy.

Lastly, I am concerned about the increased presence of homeless in the city in terms of the increased numbers and lack of services. It seems reasonable that MB could coordinate with our fellow South Bay Cities and try and address this situation. There are health and quality of life issues for all associated with this problem.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

City Planning for construction.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Bite at the Beach as an attendee; volunteer and attendee of Home Town Fair.

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Quality of life means living in a safe, clean, slightly slower paced and family oriented community. It also means living as a community where people of all ages and stages come and work together to maintain the beauty and comraderie in MB. Enjoying our special place, people, supporting our businesses, ensuring that our laid back feeling continues.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

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Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Emergency Services

## **Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

Noise and Air Pollution from delivery trucks, drones, homeless, explained and noted above.

## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain  
Modernized public facilities: Maintain  
Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain  
Recreation and cultural programs: Enhance  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Enhance  
Emergency Services: Maintain  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Enhance  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

traffic flow

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Word of mouth  
Street Banners  
Other - Beach Reporter

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

Budget updates in general.  
Education costs and spending.

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 30, 2018, 10:04 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Everything!! The weather, the air, location, the beach. Thanks to the great city fathers of long ago that appreciated and valued it. I honor the safety given us, citizens, by the police and fire departments who act swiftly when the need arises.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Cars, trucks sticking out when parked in homes without sidewalks and making it difficult to drive down the street. It's like driving thru a maze. Where are the parking enforcers? They avoid those streets because it's dangerous to navigate them. It's a mess. There should be a law against this crazy jungle of parking. Even the alleys are being blocked. They have garages but don't use them.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

That you will price us out of our homes with the water rates, taxes, trash collection, etc. and only Billionaires will be able to live here. Not fair. We helped make MB what it is today; we volunteered in the city; our children thrived here. Progress is great but don't forget the basic principle.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Fire department, Animal Control, City Water, Building and Safety,

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Open Forum; Fireworks, Hometown Fair, Library; special speakers at the Joslyn Center

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

How the city manages to keep the city clean, safety in, being protected thru services rendered by appropriate agencies. Most of all not being a Sanctuary City as that would end the quality of life here..

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency preparedness and education  
Emergency Services  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Opportunities for civic engagement

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**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

No response

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Enhance

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Reduce

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Enhance

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Streets without sidewalks-parking regulations

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

Manhappenings magazine

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

Utilities.

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 30, 2018, 10:01 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

The weather

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Traffic flow

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Development downtown

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

None

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Hometown fair

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Schools and people

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

No response

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

No response

## Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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## What City services are in most need of improvement?

Emergency

## How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

## Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?

No

## Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?

No response

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 30, 2018, 8:38 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

The community feel, friendly business owners, not overly touristy, good place to raise a family

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Control crime (car break-ins, home burglary, etc.)

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Cost of living. We are a growing family and unable to buy in the city but do not want to continue renting forever.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Trash, appliance pickup

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Holiday Stroll (downtown & El Porto), Pumpkin Race, AVP, Fireworks

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

A safe, well-regarded community with all necessary resources needed to live comfortably.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency Services  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Modernized public facilities  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Access to online or app-based City services  
Opportunities for civic engagement

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

No response

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Enhance

Access to online or app-based City services: Enhance

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Enhance

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

No response

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

City Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)

Word of mouth

Street Banners

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 30, 2018, 5:50 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

The level of safety.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

I'd like to see more attention paid to the East side of town. For example, how about addressing the crosswalk at the corner of Harkness Street and MB Blvd.? There are 11 intersections on MB Blvd. with only 2 not having some type of stop sign/light. Would it be feasible to put in some crossing walk lights that indicate that there is a pedestrian crossing and require cars to stop? This cross walk is very dark in the winter, cars speed after passing Trader Joe's, there is a school on this corner, and cars don't feel as though the pedestrian has the right of way. It always been a dangerous location, and lights lining the crosswalk would be a relatively inexpensive way to safety guard this location. Also, could the city finally address the vacant lot at the corner of MB Blvd. and Sepulveda? For a city that has such a great reputation, this has been an eye sore for years. Get it settled already. Finally, could we see the pot holes in town addressed. We live on a heavily traveled residential street, close to the middle school, and have numerous pot holes. Occasionally, these holes are filled in, only to be holes again within months. Truly, the city can afford to fix our streets, not just the major streets.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Concerns in the city are the increasing traffic and keeping the city safe.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Parking patrol.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

No

## If yes, which ones?

No response

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

In terms of "quality of life" when talking about our city, I think about a safe environment, limited stress, cleanliness, and attention paid to both sides of the city, not just the West side.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems

Modernized public facilities

Additional or improved transportation and parking options

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Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Emergency Services  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Access to online or app-based City services  
Opportunities for civic engagement

**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

Continue to look at the East side of town, not only the West side.

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Enhance  
Modernized public facilities: Enhance  
Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain  
Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain  
Emergency Services: Enhance  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Maintenance of city streets.

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email  
Manhappenings magazine

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 30, 2018, 4:28 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Hard to say any more. Used to be the small town vibe.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Better governing by our City Council. The latest debacle by the city council in the case of our city manager is truly embarrassing.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Uncontrolled spending by council. Uncontrolled development/construction. It is virtually impossible to drive around my neighborhood. There needs to be phased in construction such as Santa Monica has.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Garbage

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Hometown Fair

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

What we had and are quickly losing.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

No response

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

Too much construction with its accompanying noise and vehicles blocking the streets.

## Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.

Emergency preparedness and education: Enhance

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Emergency Services: Enhance

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain

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Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Community Deelopment

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

Word of mouth

Street Banners

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No response

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

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Share your priorities for the next City budget! Let us know what you love about this community and what you think could be better in the next two years.

Amelia Amell inside City Limits (registered)

January 29, 2018, 11:54 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

I most value the sense of community, its environmental awareness and responsibility.

The accountability of each member of our community, as we each holds each person accountable for his or her action, always expecting the best of each other.

Our police department is friendly yet it shows its unbreakable stand for rightfulness.

Since becoming a member of MB, the Art Center has been a great place of growth and expansion for me as an artist.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

See more cooperation between the different departments of the city. Also, support more businesses in the area referred as North Manhattan Beach. As a small city we could create both downtown and North MB an extension to each other.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

I belong to the small group of 'renters' in Manhattan Beach, yet, my intention is to keep growing as an active part of this community in the best of my abilities. With an increasing value in real state, how can the city create a way to protect renters like me that show active interest and involvement in supporting the city.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Parks and Recreation, Human Resources, Police Department, Boards and Commissions.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Arts fair, Art exhibit, Holidays event, concert in the park.

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Safe and clean environment, inclusiveness, awareness and consciousness of our natural resources, civic empowerment and public safety, friendly community and accessible leadership, open communication with high officials, community engagement in public affairs, education and entertainment for the public, Art support and expansion, sports friendly and family oriented.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas

Emergency Services

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Modernized public facilities  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Access to online or app-based City services

**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

No response

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain  
Modernized public facilities: Maintain  
Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain  
Recreation and cultural programs: Enhance  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Enhance  
Emergency Services: Enhance  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

As an advocate for the Arts: Recreation and cultural programs

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email  
Manhappenings magazine

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

The allocation of more funds for our Arts Center.

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 26, 2018, 10:18 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Clean, safe environment. Well kept up.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Reduce self-serving issues by interested board members. Past Examples: (1) Attempt to close Meadows elementary school while simultaneously setting up temporary classrooms in the flood zone of Poliwog Park. The closed Meadows school site would be rezoned for private use. Low cost housing and/or condo development were possibilities. (2) Attempt to push through under grounding of all overhead utilities, primarily electric power and telephone. Opposed by majority of Manhattan Beach residents in an election but favored by small groups of homeowners and realty firms. City went ahead by breaking up the city into small, separate districts constituted such that a small majority in a district would override the wishes of that districts minority and then force under grounding with substantial expense to individual homeowners (\$20K to \$80 K per parcel) whether or not they wanted it.

Present examples: Transformation of downtown away from small, individual enterprises into a collection of real estate firms and financial institutions. Loses the character of a small city attuned to the needs of its residents

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Over commercialization of downtown and Sepulveda areas.

Possibly higher taxes as a result of ambitious projects.

City financial health deterioration resulting in reduced support from fire and safety.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Water/trash, library, police, large item trash pickup

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Under grounding meeting

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Pleasant, safe environment where one can be friends with neighbors

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems

Emergency Services

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Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Access to online or app-based City services  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Modernized public facilities

**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

No response

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain  
Modernized public facilities: Maintain  
Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain  
Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain  
Emergency Services: Maintain  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Enhance  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Generall, all are pretty good.

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email  
Manhappenings magazine  
Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

City finances, adherence to budget, possible curtailment of important services such as fire, safety, police

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 26, 2018, 10:32 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Honestly, I like the "old" Manhattan Beach, when it was just a small, sandy, little beach town, where the views were not obstructed, where we didn't have "private" streets with signs that only residents could drive down them, where Live Oak Park was the Halloween hang out for kids and family alike, where parking was not a real problem, where the "newcomers" didn't refer to the originals as Beach Trash, the "newcomers" ARE the Beach Trash!!!!!! In spite of all that, which was just to name a few, I still love Manhattan Beach! I love our services: the Police Department, our Fire Department, our Paramedics, our Adult Program, our Dial A Ride, etc., etc., etc. I wouldn't want to live anywhere else.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Mall Parking

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

If Prop 13 totally fails, all of us "oldies" but "goodies" would probably have to move out!!!!!!

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

None

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

CERT, Town Hall Meetings, Neighborhood Watch

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Comfort, enjoyment, security

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency Services  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Modernized public facilities  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space

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Opportunities for civic engagement  
Access to online or app-based City services

**Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**  
Maintaining a "Beach" community not a "Rich" community!

**Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain  
Modernized public facilities: Enhance  
Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain  
Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain  
Emergency Services: Maintain  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

**What City services are in most need of improvement?**

No response

**How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Manhappenings magazine  
Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)  
Word of mouth

**Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

**Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

All of them!

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 25, 2018, 6:07 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Safe friendly neighborhood. Excellent Police Department, fire Department and schools.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

More parking.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Downtown rent is getting so high we some of our fun and interesting shops are moving out.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

None

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Lucy Jones and Hometown faire

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Safe, clean air. great restaurants and fun shops

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency Services  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Access to online or app-based City services  
Modernized public facilities

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

No response

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

Share your priorities for the next City budget! Let us know what you love about this community and what you think could be better in the next two years.

## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Reduce

Access to online or app-based City services: Reduce

Recreation and cultural programs: Enhance

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Parking

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

Manhappenings magazine

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No response

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

Share your priorities for the next City budget! Let us know what you love about this community and what you think could be better in the next two years.

Name not shown outside City Limits (registered)

January 24, 2018, 11:55 AM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

The beach and ocean.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

More sustainability efforts

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Cost of living

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Parks & Recreation

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Hometown Fair

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Clean air, open space (beaches, parks), well-planned city, clean water, community opportunities

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Modernized public facilities  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Emergency Services  
Access to online or app-based City services  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

environmental sustainability

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Enhance

Access to online or app-based City services: Enhance

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Reduce

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

No response

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Manhappenings magazine

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

Street Banners

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

No

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

Share your priorities for the next City budget! Let us know what you love about this community and what you think could be better in the next two years.

Name not available (unclaimed)

January 22, 2018, 3:07 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Response from Council and staff has been very good. My suggestions have been considered and action taken when justified.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

No response

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

I am concerned about the loss of the uniqueness of Manhattan Beach.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Police, Fire, Traffic

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

No

## If yes, which ones?

No response

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

No response

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

No response

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

No response

## Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain

# Manhattan Beach FY 2018-2020 Budget Survey

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Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

## What City services are in most need of improvement?

No response

## How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?

Email

Manhappenings magazine

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

Word of mouth

## Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?

Yes

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Anything new in disaster preparedness/neighborhood watch. News about mall improvement process. Street and sidewalk and traffic improvements.

As a safety measure, I would suggest a ramp installed along the access road to the Village Field, tennis courts, parking area and Senior Villas. I suggest it be built on the parking lot side of the fence. Pedestrians sharing the 24 ft. wide road with buses and other vehicles is not safe.

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 22, 2018, 12:24 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Community events held in the downtown area, such as the Holiday Fireworks, Pumpkin Races, Pier Lighting, Surf Festival, etc.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Improved enforcement of contractors working in the City on construction projects, particularly in the areas west of Valley/Ardmore

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Over-development is significantly decreasing the quality of life in Manhattan Beach, and the small town atmosphere is gone. The community is no longer safe, as there has been a significant increase in crime, particularly home break-ins.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Fire Department; Parking Enforcement

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Pier Lighting; Pumpkin Races

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

It means what MB was 20 years ago - a small town atmosphere where people spent more time outdoors than inside; where neighbors knew each other. Now, particularly west of Valley/Ardmore, home construction is out of control with lots being overbuild (a 6000 sq ft house on a 2700 sq ft lot - REALLY???) Today the "quality of life" in MB means bullying, rude, selfish neighbors, a city council that is overly political, and city staff that often forget they are civil "servants".

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Emergency Services  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

Enforcement of existing regulations and rules

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## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Maintain

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Reduce

Recreation and cultural programs: Maintain

Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Maintain

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Maintain

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

No response

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

No response

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Name not available (unclaimed)

January 18, 2018, 12:38 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

The weather and small town feel. Good public services. Excellent senior citizen program.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Staffs responsiveness. They frequently do not follow through on requests or commitments. The city's infrastructure is deteriorating and little resources are directed to upgrade them. Electric service is problematic and is not in the city's control.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Very few. We have good governance in the city.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Parks and fields. Joslyn Center senior programs.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Concerts in the park. Fireworks.

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Great schools. Great library. Good parks. Great weather. Safe streets. Low crime.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Modernized public facilities  
Emergency Services  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Access to online or app-based City services

## Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!

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No response

## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Enhance

Modernized public facilities: Maintain

Access to online or app-based City services: Maintain

Recreation and cultural programs: Enhance

Opportunities for civic engagement: Enhance

Emergency Services: Maintain

Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Enhance

Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Maintain

Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance

Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Downtown parking.

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

Email

Manhappenings magazine

Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

Word of mouth

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

## **Your time is important! Are there specific financial topics you would like to learn more about in future City communications?**

Status of the city's revenue collections by category. Status of our unfounded pension liabilities.

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Name not shown inside City Limits (registered)

January 16, 2018, 11:53 PM

## What do you like most about Manhattan Beach?

Great schools, top rated beach, outstanding residential characteristics, very nice restaurants, best weather, terrific geographic location with major businesses and entertainment venues nearby.

## If anything, what would you like to see improved in the City?

Responsiveness of city staff to citizen requests. Staff promises of quick action during initial contact are not met and require one or more reminder phone calls, encounter unexplained long delays, or are never executed. This is a big problem now in our city. To put it more bluntly, city staff frequently lies to the citizens. This is unacceptable in a city where the employees are paid at the 75th percentile supposedly because of high performance.

## What concerns do you have about your future here in Manhattan Beach?

Increasing school influence over city budget and election process. Extremely dirty political behavior by shadow interests in last city council election with no apparent effort by city or county to correct the problem. Blatant partisan statements and positions taken by certain city council members which discourage citizen participation in the civic process. Significant increase in transient/homeless population resulting in increased calls to PD for response which divert police from higher priority duties.

## What City services have you used in the last 3 years?

Public works, police, traffic engineering, planning.

## Have you attended any of the City's special events?

Yes

## If yes, which ones?

Budget planning, Holiday Pier Lighting, Centennial Celebrations, Earth Day, Concerts in The Park

## When you hear "quality of life" in Manhattan Beach, what does that mean to you?

Premier residential community, clean and accessible beach, great schools, safe environment.

## Please rank these priorities as they most relate to improving your quality of life:

### My Priorities

Emergency Services  
Local shopping, dining and gathering space  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems  
Opportunities for civic engagement  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options

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Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas  
Recreation and cultural programs  
Modernized public facilities  
Emergency preparedness and education  
Access to online or app-based City services

## **Did we miss a priority from the list above? Let us know what you feel is important in Manhattan Beach!**

Timely and verifiable action by city staff to citizen requests.

## **Please indicate whether you think these services should be adjusted in the next fiscal year.**

Emergency preparedness and education: Reduce  
Modernized public facilities: Reduce  
Access to online or app-based City services: Reduce  
Recreation and cultural programs: Reduce  
Opportunities for civic engagement: Maintain  
Emergency Services: Maintain  
Clean, safe outdoor recreational areas: Maintain  
Local shopping, dining and gathering spaces: Enhance  
Maintenance of City streets, water quality and sewer systems: Enhance  
Additional or improved transportation and parking options: Enhance

## **What City services are in most need of improvement?**

Traffic engineering and enforcement of traffic laws

## **How do you hear about events and activities that are going on in the City?**

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Manhappenings magazine  
Local news (The Beach Reporter, Easy Reader, Daily Breeze, etc.)

## **Are you interested in attending public meetings to learn more about the City's finances?**

Yes

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When citizens provide budget suggestions and priorities there must be clear evidence that the city took action to adjust the budget in response. This means a clear NUMERICAL TABULATION of the specific department budget amounts that were adjusted (up or down) in response to citizen inputs. Otherwise we feel as though we're wasting our time providing inputs.