

City of Manhattan Beach

*1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, August 15, 2022

5:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Hildy Stern

Mayor Pro Tem Steve Napolitano

Councilmember Richard Montgomery

Councilmember Joe Franklin

Councilmember Suzanne Hadley

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A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Napolitano called the meeting to order.

B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Napolitano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Roll Call by City Clerk Liza Tamura.

Present 5 - Mayor Napolitano, Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery, Councilmember Franklin, Councilmember Hadley and Councilmember Stern

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Mayor Napolitano opened the floor to public comments.

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

E. CLOSED SESSION

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

City Attorney Quinn Barrow announced the following Closed Session:

a) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Negotiators:

Bruce Moe, City Manager

Lisa Jenkins, Human Resources Director

Employee Groups:

Manhattan Beach Firefighters' Association

Manhattan Beach Fire Management Association

Manhattan Beach Mid-Management Employee Association

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

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

Number of Cases: 1

City Attorney Barrow stated that the closed session would be about the Highrose project, where a number of attorneys have sent emails, including some that have threatened to sue the City.

II. RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

At 5:03 PM, the City Council recessed into Closed Session.

III. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

At 7:44 PM, the City Council reconvened into Open Session with all Councilmembers present.

IV. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT IN OPEN SESSION

City Attorney Barrow announced that the City Council went into Closed Session on two separate matters. The City Council gave direction to its labor negotiators regarding labor negotiations and provided that there was no reportable action regarding the anticipated litigation.

F. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 PM, on behalf of Mayor Napolitano, Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery adjourned the meeting to the August, 16, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting at 6:00 PM.

Patricia Matson
Recording Secretary

Steve Napolitano
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk