

RESOLUTION NO. 22-0063

A RESOLUTION OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-0062
TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION TO
INCORPORATE AN AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL COASTAL
PROGRAM TO INCLUDE A NEW CHAPTER TITLED SECTION
VI COASTAL HAZARDS

THE MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council conducted a public hearing pursuant to applicable law on May 3, 2022 to consider an amendment to the Local Coastal Program (LCP) to review the proposed Section IV Coastal Hazards as an Amendment to the City's LCP; and at the May 3, 2022 regular meeting, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 22-0062.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby makes the following findings:

- A. In 2018, the City initiated an update to the LCP to address climate change, specifically sea level rise. Pursuant to the City's adopted Environmental Work Plan priorities, adopted Strategic Plan goals, and in compliance with State guidance and mandates; and
- B. The City published a Sea Level Rise Risk, Hazards, and Vulnerability Assessment in June 2021 to provide a baseline of existing conditions and future vulnerability in the City of Manhattan Beach to projected sea level rise, coastal flooding, and erosion in order to develop a range of potential adaptation strategies that address the potential future impacts from sea level rise and storms; and
- C. From February through June of 2021, as part of the planning process, the City conducted nine public meetings (six workshops and three focus groups) on sea level rise, coastal adaptation strategies, the dune restoration pilot project, and climate action and adaptation strategies. Over 200 members of the public participated, providing over 380 comments and questions related to sea level rise, climate action, and adaptation strategies; and
- D. The City published a Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan in November 2021 to address anticipated sea level rise and its effects on coastal erosion and flooding, following completion of the Sea Level Rise Risk, Hazards, and Vulnerability Assessment; and
- E. The Planning Commission held a public study session on the Draft Coastal Hazards Section IV of the LCP on February 23, 2022 to field questions and comments on the matter after publicizing the Study Session via newspaper ads, social media, the City's website, verbal announcements at City Council, and via email with stakeholders; and the Planning Commission public hearing notice for March 23, 2022 included a ¼ page display ad public notice published in the March 10, 2022 issue of The Beach Reporter, a newspaper of general circulation in Manhattan Beach, and mailed to a list of interested parties and stakeholders for the coastal zone, promoted on social media, the City's website, and through verbal announcements at City Council; and
- F. The City Council held a duly noticed public hearing on May 3, 2022 to consider the LCP Amendment Coastal Hazards Section IV, during which the City Council received a presentation by staff and allowed for testimony from members of the public. The City Council also received and reviewed written testimony received by the City prior to the public hearing.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), local governments are exempt from the requirement of preparing an environmental impact report (EIR) in connection with activities and approvals necessary for the preparation and adoption of LCPs and LCP amendments. Instead, the CEQA responsibilities are assigned to the

CCC; however, the CCC's LCP review and approval program has been found by the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to be functionally equivalent to the EIR process.

SECTION 4. The City Council finds that the Amendments are consistent with the goals and policies of the City’s General Plan including the Community Safety Element goal one to minimize the risk to public health, safety, and welfare resulting from natural and human-caused hazards; and the Conservation of Resources goal five to conserve and protect the remaining natural resources in Manhattan Beach; and the proposed amendments are consistent with the policies of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act.

SECTION 5. The City Council certifies that the subject amendment will be implemented in a manner fully in conformity with the California Coastal Act of 1976, as amended, and the City of Manhattan Beach Local Coastal Program.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

SECTION 8. The City Council hereby directs the City Manager or his designee to submit the LCP amendment memorialized in Ordinance No. 22-0062 to the California Coastal Commission for certification in conformance with state law.

ADOPTED on May 3, 2022

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

HILDY STERN
Mayor

ATTEST:

LIZA TAMURA
City Clerk