

City of Manhattan Beach

*1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, April 23, 2018

6:00 PM

Joint City Council/MBUSD Meeting

**Joslyn Community Center
1601 Valley Drive Manhattan Beach, CA 90266**

City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting

*Mayor Amy Howorth
Mayor Pro Tem Steve Napolitano
Councilmember Nancy Hersman
Councilmember Richard Montgomery
Councilmember David Lesser*

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A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

At 6:04 PM, Mayor Howorth called the meeting to order.

B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Howorth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

City Council:

Present - Mayor Howorth, Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano, Councilmember Hersman, Councilmember Montgomery, and Councilmember Lesser.

Manhattan Beach Unified School District Board of Trustees:

Present - President Komatinsky, Vice President Fournell, Clerk Rosenberg, Board Member Cochran, and Board Member Cronin-Hurst.

City of Manhattan Beach Staff:

Present - City Manager Bruce Moe, City Attorney Quinn Barrow, Police Chief Derrick Abell, and Parks and Recreation Director Mark Leyman.

MBUSD Staff:

Present - Superintendent Mike Matthews, Deputy Superintendent Dawnalyn Murakawa-Leopard, Assistant Superintendent Megan Atkins, Assistant Superintendent Brian Lucas, and Assistant Superintendent Katherine Whittaker Stopp.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Denise Wandel discussed parking needs around school campuses.

E. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Request by the City Council/Manhattan Beach Unified School District Ad Hoc Subcommittee to Focus on Potential Safety Concerns and/or Improvements for School Safety Prevention (Continued from the April 17, 2018 City Council Meeting).

Police Chief Derrick Abell and Deputy Superintendent Dawnalyn Murakawa-Leopard provided the Staff presentation.

City Manager Moe, Superintendent Matthews, Police Chief Abell, Deputy Superintendent Murakawa-Leopard, and Assistant Superintendent Brian Lucas responded to City Council and MBUSD Board of Trustee questions.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Marina Farrell, Security Staff Member at Mira Costa High School, commented on consideration of providing a golf cart to Security Staff.

Lee Del Trio, Extended Day Program Director at Pacific Elementary, commented on considering impacts to after school programs.

A Mira Costa High School student discussed locking the gate after 8:00 AM.

Police Chief Derrick Abell and Deputy Superintendent Dawnalyn Murakawa-Leopard provided an update to the City Council and the MBUSD Board of Trustees with planned school safety improvements. Additionally, they indicated a goal to implement the school safety improvements during the summer.

2. School Security Overview of Fields and Facilities.

By order of the Chair, Mayor Howorth combined Agenda Item No. 1 and Agenda Item No. 2, considering the similar topics of discussion within both items.

3. Review Current Master Agreement.

MBUSD President Komatinsky and Councilmember Hersman provided a presentation and update on the status of the Current Master Agreement between the City of Manhattan Beach and the Manhattan Beach Unified School District.

Mayor Howorth opened the floor to public comment.

Bill Victor commented on pending legislation that may affect funding provided to the School District, in light of the School District's Parcel Tax Measure.

City Council and the MBUSD Board of Trustees stated that the City and MBUSD are currently in negotiations to develop a longer term agreement.

4. Areas of Mutual Benefit.

Mayor Howorth introduced the item for discussion.

MBUSD Superintendent Matthews provided an update on Grand View and Pennekamp Elementary school construction efforts and the Mira Costa High School gym renovation.

Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano commented on the need for the Parcel Tax Measure.

Vice President Fournell commented on the importance of engaging with the community and looking forward to opportunities to engage with the City of Manhattan Beach.

Mayor Howorth and Clerk Rosenberg discussed mental health issues within the community.

Mayor Howorth and President Komintansky commented on the benefits of holding annual joint meetings and looked forward to future meetings.

F. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:57 PM City Council adjourned to the 6:00 PM Boards and Commissions Interviews on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, in the Police/Fire Conference Room in said City.

George Gabriel
Recording Secretary

Amy Howorth
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk