

City of Manhattan Beach

*1400 Highland Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers

City Council Regular Meeting

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Suzanne Hadley

Mayor Pro Tem Hildy Stern

Councilmember Steve Napolitano

Councilmember Richard Montgomery

Councilmember Joe Franklin

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A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Hadley called the meeting to order.

B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Hadley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

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

Public Announcement:

Police Chief Derrick Abell provided an update on public safety including the benefits of contacting Neighborhood Watch, crime updates, and recommended safety practices for the community.

D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

1. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of April 2021, as DMV/Donate Life Month.

PRESENT

Mayor Hadley, on behalf of the City Council, presented One Legacy Ambassador Stefanie Hudak, with a Proclamation declaring the month of April 2021, as "DMV/Donate Life Month."

2. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of April 2021, as Earth Month.

PRESENT

Mayor Hadley, on behalf of the City Council, presented Environmental Sustainability Manager Dana Murray, with a Proclamation declaring the month of April 2021, as "Earth Month."

Environmental Sustainability Manager Murray thanked the public for their participation in five previous workshops and meetings during the Climate Ready MB process. She provided the following virtual events for the community to participate in during Earth Month:

April 15, 2021 - Climate Ready MB: Climate Action Workshop

April 27, 2021 - Climate Ready MB: Carbon Reduction Strategies Focus Group Meeting

3. Presentation of a Commendation to Lauren Mittleman for Obtaining the Girl's Scout Gold Award.

PRESENT

Mayor Hadley, on behalf of the City Council, presented a Commendation to Lauren Mittleman for obtaining the Girl Scout Gold Award.

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

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

Aye: 5 - Hadley, Stern, Napolitano, Montgomery and Franklin

F. CONTINUED GENERAL BUSINESS

4. Consider Bruce's Beach Task Force Recommendation 1.4 (Resolution of Apology) and Alternative Options (CONTINUED FROM MARCH 16, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING) (City Manager Moe).

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TAKING ACTION

Management Services, Management Analyst Alexandria Latragna provided the staff presentation.

Mayor Hadley thanked Management Analyst Latragna for her work with the Bruce's Beach Task Force.

Mayor Hadley opened the floor to public comment. The following individual(s) spoke:

<i>Diana Skaar</i>	<i>Laura Kiely</i>	<i>David Webster</i>
<i>Jason Frank</i>	<i>Angela Nelson</i>	<i>Mike Michalski</i>
<i>Margaret Ng</i>	<i>Kate Bergin</i>	<i>Karen Shapiro</i>
<i>Chris O'Brien</i>	<i>Dave Gamble</i>	<i>Imani Wilkinson</i>
<i>Maureen Denitz</i>	<i>Kim Brant-Lucich</i>	<i>Alison Martin</i>
<i>Matt Wheeler</i>	<i>Jenna Ahmed</i>	<i>Kaitlyn McQuown</i>
<i>Karen Roseman</i>	<i>Laura Dotson Michele</i>	<i>Karen Shapiro</i>
<i>Nancy Shrodes</i>	<i>Reniche Julie Birkel</i>	<i>Alison Chavez</i>
<i>Denis Berger</i>	<i>Patricia Torrey Alison</i>	<i>Eric Furth</i>
<i>Madeline Kaplan</i>	<i>Rose Jefferson</i>	<i>Jessa Williams</i>
<i>Bobby Sillman</i>	<i>Charlene Harding</i>	<i>David Denitz</i>
<i>Donna Thomas</i>	<i>Spencer McFarland</i>	<i>Chaz Flemmings</i>
<i>Kavon Ward</i>	<i>Jennifer Lin</i>	<i>Alita Rethmeyer</i>
<i>Lucia La Rosa Ames</i>	<i>Ray Joseph</i>	<i>Heather</i>
<i>David Choromanski</i>	<i>Allison Hales</i>	
<i>Pamela Davidson</i>	<i>Elyse Gura</i>	
<i>Alice Neuhauser</i>	<i>Justin Patrick Verbiest</i>	
<i>Carol McFarland</i>	<i>Stacey Morse</i>	
<i>Emily Vargas</i>	<i>Robert Yap</i>	
<i>Jen Dohner</i>		

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Hadley closed the floor to public comment.

At 8:29 PM City Council recessed and reconvened at 8:40 PM with all Councilmembers present.

City Attorney Quinn Barrow responded to City Council questions.

A motion was made by Councilmember Franklin to accept his Statement of Acknowledgement and Condemnation. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Councilmember Napolitano asked Councilmember Franklin if he would consider amendments to the Statement including the deletion of the second sentence from Section G, "All owners were paid fair market value or higher for their properties as determined by the Los Angeles County Superior Court," and the addition of "racially motivated" to the first sentence of the proclamation section to now read, "The City's racially motivated eminent domain action to dispossess Willa and Charles A. Bruce, Major George and Mrs. Ethel Prioleau, Elizabeth Patterson, Mary R. Sanders, Milton and Anna Johnson, and other White property owners of their property."

Councilmember Franklin accepted the proposed amendments.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Stern to accept her alternative Resolution of Apology. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Councilmember Montgomery asked Councilmember Franklin if he would consider the following additional amendments: the addition of the word "empathizes" to the first sentence after Section G. to read, "Now, therefore be it stated that the City of Manhattan Beach formally Acknowledges, Empathizes, and Condemns:", and adding the word "empathizing" in the title of the Acknowledgement to read, " A Statement of the City Council of the City of Manhattan Beach Acknowledging, Empathizing, and Condemning the City's Role in the Racially Motivated Condemnation of Properties in the Area Known as Bruce's Beach."

Councilmember Franklin accepted the proposed amendments.

Mayor Pro Tem Stern requested additional amendments.

Councilmember Franklin declined any further amendments.

A motion was made by Councilmember Franklin, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to approve his Statement of Acknowledgement and Condemnation, as revised with the language suggested by Councilmember Napolitano and Councilmember Montgomery. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Hadley, Napolitano, Montgomery and Franklin

Nay: 1 - Stern

City Attorney Barrow clarified the details of the motion.

City Manager Moe provided that the History Subcommittee has requested an extension to return to City Council at the end of May with suggested language for the Bruce's Beach plaques.

The City Council approved the extension from the History Subcommittee to return to City Council at the end of May with language for the Bruce's Beach plaques.

Mayor Hadley clarified that the History Subcommittee is now being referred to as the History Advisory Board.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Mayor Hadley mentioned the ad in last weeks Beach Reporter and congratulated the Friends of Senior & Scout Community Center and their sponsors for the funds they have raised for the new Manhattan Beach Community Center.

Mayor Hadley opened the floor to public comment. The following individual(s) spoke:

*Imani Wilkinson
Josh Murray
Allison Hales
Emily
Heather Kim
Laura Kiely
Justin Verbiest*

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Hadley closed the floor to public comment.

At approximately 10:22 PM, Mayor Hadley requested a motion to extend the meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Councilmember Franklin to extend the meeting past 11:00 PM, with additional consideration for a hard stop at 11:30 PM. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Hadley, Stern, Napolitano, Montgomery and Franklin

H. COVID-19

Mayor Hadley provided that the item titled "City Council to Consider Additional Measures to Address COVID-19" will no longer appear on the City Council meeting agenda after this evening given the decrease in the number of COVID-19 cases.

Councilmember Napolitano proposed to disband the COVID-19 Long-Term Business Solutions Ad Hoc Committee and suggested that the groups involved in the ad hoc committee continue to work with staff on any further long-term solutions and bring items to City Council as needed.

Mayor Hadley dissolved the COVID-19 Long-Term Business Solutions Ad Hoc Committee.

City Manager Moe requested that if City Councilmembers are contacted by any of the members of the public who attended the ad hoc committee meetings, to please direct them to the appropriate City staff members for assistance.

5. City Manager Report on EOC (Emergency Operations Center) and Update on COVID-19 Response.

City Manager Bruce Moe reported on the EOC (Emergency Operations Center).

Community Development Director Carrie Tai and City Manager Moe responded to City Council questions.

The Mayor directed City Manager Moe to re-direct enforcement efforts toward continuing to advise the public on the importance of face coverings; and return at the next City Council Meeting with a report regarding what other types of enforcement Contemporary Services Corporation can provide beyond face coverings, as well as provide information on the current health orders from the County as they relate to face covering requirements.

Community Development Director Tai responded to City Council questions.

6. City Council to Consider Additional Measures to Address COVID-19.

None.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR (APPROVE)

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Stern, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Hadley, Stern, Napolitano, Montgomery and Franklin

7. This Item Contains the Minutes of the City Council Adjourned Regular Meeting of March 16, 2021 (City Clerk Tamura).

APPROVE

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

8. Financial Reports:

- a) Schedule of Demands March 4, 2021, and March 18, 2021
 - b) Investment Portfolio for the Month Ending February 28, 2021
 - c) Month End Report for February 28, 2021
- (Finance Director Charelian).

ACCEPT REPORTS AND DEMANDS

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

9. Consideration of a Resolution Approving Salary Range and Benefits for the Newly Created Financial Services Manager Classification (Acting Human Resources Director Swofford).

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-0026

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

10. Consider Ordering Plans, Specifications, Cost Estimates and Engineer's Report for Annual Street Lighting and Landscaping Assessments (Finance Director Charelian).

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-0028

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

11. Consideration of a Purchase of One Budgeted Paint Truck from Roadline Products Inc. U.S.A. for \$139,516.14 for the Public Works Department (Finance Director Charelian).

a) WAIVE FORMAL BIDDING

b) AUTHORIZE PURCHASE

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

12. Consideration of a Resolution Awarding a Professional Services Agreement to DKS Associates for Engineering Design Services for the Manhattan Beach Advanced Traffic Signal (MBATS) System Project for a Not-to-Exceed Amount \$1,283,417 and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement (Acting Public Works Director Tai).

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-0029

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

13. Consideration of:

- A. A Resolution Awarding a Construction Agreement to Bon Air Incorporated for the City Hall HVAC Improvements Project for \$1,017,000; Approving the Plans and Specifications for the Project; and Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Additional Work, if Necessary, for up to \$153,000;
- B. A Resolution Approving an Inspection Services Agreement with TYR, Inc. in the Amount of \$110,000; and
- C. A Resolution Approving Amendment No. 3 with Kitchell in the Amount of \$19,540 for Design Support Services During Construction (Acting Public Works Director Tai).

ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 21-0030, 21-0031 AND 21-0032

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

J. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

K. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

L. GENERAL BUSINESS

14. Presentation of the Draft 5-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Through Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (Acting Public Works Director Tai).

APPROVE

Public Works, City Engineer Prem Kumar provided the PowerPoint presentation and responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Hadley opened the floor to public comment. The following individual(s) spoke:

Julie McGinity

Seeing no further requests to speak, Mayor Hadley closed the floor to public comment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Montgomery, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Stern to approve the draft 5-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 through Fiscal Year 2025-2026. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 5 - Hadley, Stern, Napolitano, Montgomery and Franklin

15. Report on City Hall Reopening Plan (Community Development Director Tai)

RECEIVE REPORT

Community Development Director Carrie Tai provided the PowerPoint presentation.

Community Development Director Tai and City Manager Bruce Moe responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Hadley opened the floor to public comment.

Seeing no requests to speak, Mayor Hadley closed the floor to public comment.

The City Council received the report.

16. Report on In-Person City Council Meetings (City Clerk Tamura and Information Technology Director Hackelman).

a) RECEIVE REPORT

b) DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

City Clerk Liza Tamura introduced the item. Management Services, Senior Deputy City Clerk Martha Alvarez provided the staff presentation.

City Clerk Tamura and Senior Deputy City Clerk Alvarez responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Hadley opened the floor to public comment.

Seeing no requests to speak, Mayor Hadley closed the floor to public comment.

City Manager Bruce Moe and Information Technology Director Terry Hackelman responded to City Council questions.

Information Technology Director Hackelman confirmed that City staff should be able to conduct the first hybrid meeting on May 4, 2021.

A motion was made by Mayor Hadley, seconded by Councilmember Montgomery, to direct staff to begin preparing the Joslyn Community Center Auditorium to hold City Council hybrid meetings. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Hadley, Montgomery and Franklin

Nay: 2 - Stern and Napolitano

M. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND REPORTS INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

None.

N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Hadley requested that the City Council consider a discussion to submit a Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon on a future City Council Agenda. Councilmember Montgomery seconded the request.

O. CITY MANAGER REPORT

None.

P. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

None.

Q. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

17. Recent Planning Commission Quasi-Judicial Decisions:
Approval of Coastal Development Permit and Use Permit to Allow the Expansion of an Existing Retail Sales Use, Resulting in a Retail Sales Use with 3,637 Square Feet of Sales Floor Area Located at 1113-1121 Manhattan Avenue; and Adoption of an Environmental Determination in Accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Skechers USA, Inc.) (Community Development Director Tai).

INFORMATION ITEM ONLY

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

18. Commission Minutes:
This Item Contains Minutes of the following City Commission Meetings:
a) Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2021 (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman)
b) Cultural Arts Commission Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2021 (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman)
c) Library Commission Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2021 (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman)
d) Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2021 (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman)
e) Planning Commission Action Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2021 (Community Development Director Tai).

INFORMATION ITEM ONLY

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

R. CLOSED SESSION

None.

S. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:48 PM, Mayor Hadley adjourned the meeting to a 4:30 PM Adjourned Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, in the City Council Chambers.

Patricia Matson
Recording Secretary

Suzanne Hadley
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk