

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING – COUNCIL MEMBER ITEMS REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: TONY STRICKLAND, MAYOR

DATE: 12/20/2022

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO PERFORM A CEQA REVIEW FOR THE GREAT PACIFIC AIRSHOW

The Great Pacific Air Show is the largest event in Huntington Beach and has drawn the attention and the interest of people from around Orange County, the State, and even the nation. The Air Show is a special event that should be embraced by the City of Huntington Beach to ensure success in years to come and actively supported by the City.

To secure the future of the Air Show in Huntington Beach the City should conduct a review under CEQA to provide the City with insulation against challenges.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Request the City Manager to return to City Council at the first regular City Council Meeting in January 2023 with a specific and actionable recommendation for undertaking an adequate CEQA review of the Air Show. Chief Assistant City Attorney, Mike Vigliotta's experience in environmental legal review will provide the leadership to retain the consultant necessary to complete the environmental review.