

## **Minutes**

### **City Council/Public Financing Authority City of Huntington Beach**

Tuesday, November 16, 2021  
4:00 PM — Closed Session  
6:00 PM — Regular Meeting  
Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street  
Huntington Beach, California 92648  
or via Zoom Webinar

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#### **4:00 PM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

#### **CALLED TO ORDER — 4:00 PM**

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
Absent: None

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS PERTAINING TO CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (Received After Agenda Distribution) — None**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO CLOSED SESSION ITEMS — None**

A motion was made by Posey, second Bolton, to recess to Closed Session for Items 2 – 10. With no objections, the motion carried.

#### **RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION — 4:02 PM**

#### **CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT(S)**

- 1. 21-874 Mayor Carr Announced:** Pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6, the City Council takes this opportunity to publicly introduce and identify designated labor negotiators: Oliver Chi, City Manager and Travis Hopkins, Assistant City Manager, who will be participating in today's Closed Session discussions regarding labor negotiations with: Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association (HBFA), Fire Management Association (FMA), Police Management Association (PMA), Marine Safety Management Association (MSMA), Management Employees' Organization (MEO) and Huntington Beach Municipal Teamster (HBMT)

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

- 2. 21-854 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION.** (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Name of case: Kennedy Commission, et al. v. City of Huntington Beach (Beach-Edinger Corridor); OCSC Case No 30-2015-00801675.

3. 21-864 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Name of case: Tater (Michael George), Staniskis (Kyla Skye) v. City of Huntington Beach, et al.; USDC Case No. 8:20-cv-01772-JVS (JDEx)
4. 21-865 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Name of case: In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation; USDC Case No.: 1:17md2804.
5. 21-887 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(1).) Name of case: City of Huntington Beach v. Surf City Beach Cottages, et al.; OCSC Case No. 30-2016-00874885.
6. 21-872 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1).) Title: Interim City Manager.
7. 21-873 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1).) Title: City Manager.
8. 21-888 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1).) Title: Police Chief.
9. 21-867 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Oliver Chi, City Manager and Travis Hopkins, Assistant City Manager. Employee Organizations: Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association (HBFA), Fire Management Association (FMA), Police Management Association (PMA), Marine Safety Management Association (MSMA), Management Employees' Organization (MEO) and Huntington Beach Municipal Teamsters (HBMT).
10. 21-897 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: Number of cases, two (2).

#### **6:00 PM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

#### **RECONVENED CITY COUNCIL/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY MEETING — 6:13 PM**

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
Absent: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** — Led by Mayor Carr

#### **INVOCATION**

In permitting a nonsectarian invocation, the City does not intend to proselytize or advance any faith or belief. Neither the City nor the City Council endorses any particular religious belief or form of invocation.

- 11. 21-790 Rev. Nathan Biornstad of St. Wilfrid's Episcopal Church in Huntington Beach and member of the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council**

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT BY CITY ATTORNEY — None**

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- 12. 21-858 Mayor Carr proclaimed November 27 as "Small Business Saturday" and presented a proclamation to Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce Chair-Elect and Interim CEO John Villa**

Mayor Carr introduced Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce Chair-Elect and Interim CEO John Villa. Mr. Villa described a growth of approximately 15% for new businesses in Huntington Beach this past year, compared to the average of 10% for Orange County.

- 13. 21-807 Mayor Carr presented commendations for the "HB Making a Difference Award" to local non-profits who went above and beyond with the oil spill cleanup efforts including: Bolsa Chica Conservancy, the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center, and the Bolsa Chica Land Trust**

Mayor Carr introduced Patrick Brendon, CEO, Bolsa Chica Conservancy; John Villa, Director, Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center; Kim Copeland, Executive Director, and Jennifer Thomas, President, Bolsa Chica Land Trust.

Mayor Carr explained that the award acknowledges local non-profit organizations who have exhibited above and beyond actions. This month, these leaders were recognized for being proactive during last month's local oil spill. Each leader shared highlights of how the community at large, including residents, staff from the Huntington Beach Fire and Police Departments, as well as County and State agencies, responded to help mitigate damage and care for impacted wildlife.

- 14. 21-857 Mayor Carr presented the Mayor's HB Excellence Award for the month of October to Renee Van Arsdale, Administrative Secretary, Public Works Department**

Mayor Carr described the HB Excellence Award where co-workers acknowledge a fellow employee who models humility, social awareness, passion, exceptionality, integrity and are team oriented. Renee was described as having an exceptional work ethic, a wealth of knowledge, and a co-worker who always has a kind and courteous demeanor.

Sean Crumby, Public Works Director, stated that over the past 18 years, Renee worked in the Library, Office of the City Clerk, and Fire Department before moving to Public Works. Director Crumby thanked Renee for her infectious and positive attitude.

Renee expressed her appreciation to Mayor Carr, and thanked her co-workers for the recognition.

- 15. 21-893 Mayor Carr presented the Mayor's HB Excellence Award for the month of November to Mark Birchfield, Wastewater Supervisor, Public Works Department**

Mayor Carr described November's HB Excellence Awardee, Mark Birchfield, as someone who personally responds to resident concerns, and exhibits high integrity.

Sean Crumby, Public Works Director, stated Mark has been with the City for over 30 years, and after six promotions is now Wastewater Supervisor. As an example of Mark's commitment, Director Crumby described how about 15 years ago Mark actually retrieved a prosthetic eye in the sewer system for a resident.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS** (Received After Agenda Distribution)

Pursuant to the Brown "Open Meetings" Act, City Clerk Robin Estanislau announced supplemental communications received by her office following distribution of the Council Agenda packet.

**Consent Calendar**

**#23 (21-868)** Communication received regarding revising and redesigning the City's website.

**Administrative Items**

**#21 (21-852)** PowerPoint presentation entitled "Purchase 2 Tesla Model Y for Police Department" submitted by Sean Crumby, Director of Public Works.

**#25 (21-863)** Communication submitted by Travis Hopkins, Assistant City Manager submitting an amendment to Ordinance Nos. 4240, 4244 and 4241.

Email communication received regarding introduction of Ordinance No. 4240 amending HBMC 2.102 Environmental & Sustainability Board.

**#26 (21-875)** PowerPoint presentation entitled "Downtown Urban Design Study Huntington Beach, CA" submitted by Ursula Luna-Reynosa, Director of Community Development.

Two (2) email communications received regarding solicitation of proposals to redesign Main Street and the extension of the temporary closure of the second block of Main Street.

**#27 (21-877)** Communication submitted by Chris Slama, Community and Library Services Director, submitting a revised staff report, including Recommended Action Option C (Revised Conceptual Design) for Edison Park.

PowerPoint presentation entitled "Edison Park Conceptual Plan" submitted by Chris Slama, Director of Community and Library Services.

Communication submitted by Chris Slama, Community and Library Services Director, submitting a revised staff report, including Recommended Action Option B and attachments (Conceptual Designs for Options A and B).

Thirty-six (36) email communications regarding the Edison Park Reconfiguration Conceptual Plan.

**#28 (21-880)** PowerPoint presentation entitled "Introduction of Proposed Memoranda of Understanding with Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association and Fire Management Association" submitted by Brittany Mello, Interim Administrative Services Director.

Communication submitted by Brittany Mello, Interim Administrative Services Director, submitting a legislative draft of the MOU between the City and the Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association (HBFA).

- #29 (21-889)** PowerPoint presentation entitled “ Introduction of Proposed Memoranda of Understanding with Huntington Beach Firefighters’ Association and Fire Management Association” submitted by Brittany Mello, Interim Administrative Services Director.

Communication submitted by Brittany Mello, Interim Administrative Services Director, submitting a legislative draft of the MOU between the City and the Huntington Beach Fire Management Association (HBFMA).

**Councilmember Items**

- #30 (21-898)** Communication received regarding proposal to create a new position of Chief of Staff to support City Council.

- #32 (21-899)** Four (4) email communications received regarding consideration of implementing a study to identify street segments eligible for speed limit reductions under AB 43 (Friedman).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** (2 Minute Time Limit) — 39 In-Person and 3 Call-In Public Speakers

*The number [hh:mm:ss] following the speakers' comments indicates their approximate starting time in the archived video located at <http://www.surfcity-hb.org/government/agendas>.*

Assemblywoman Janet Nguyen was called to speak and provided a legislative update, and described some of the various committees she serves on, as well as appreciation to Huntington Beach councilmembers and staff for their excellent response to the recent oil spill. Assemblywoman Nguyen encouraged anyone with questions or comments to reach out to her office at (714) 843-4966. (00:24:58)

Michael Gates, Candidate for City Attorney Re-Election in 2022, was called to speak and corrected a recent *Orange County Register* article which quoted Councilmember Posey, by providing examples of state housing lawsuit wins achieved by the Huntington Beach City Attorney's Office. Mr. Gates explained that the City Council makes the choice of whether or not to fight issues such as housing mandates, and affirmed the compelling record of winning when the Huntington Beach City Attorney's Office is allowed to fight. (00:27:50)

Justine Makoff, Huntington Beach Equestrian Center, Free Rein Foundation Founder, was called to speak and described the programs and events the volunteer staffed non-profit provides. Ms. Makoff invited everyone to celebrate the Day of the Horse and support local vendors on Saturday, December 11, 2021, 10 AM – 4 PM at the Equestrian Center. (00:30:13)

Shirley Dettloff, representing Homeless United, was called to speak and acknowledged City Manager Oliver Chi for his support to provide assistance and services for the homeless community. A plant was presented to thank City Manager Chi for his service and best wishes extended for his new position in Irvine. (00:32:15)

Marnie Pavlick, a resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak, and shared her concerns related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, such as the number of trees that will be removed, increased neighborhood traffic, and changing the Park entrance. (00:34:49)

Ann McCarthy, Wetlands Conservancy Board Member, and AYSO Region 56 Regional Commissioner was called to speak, and shared her concerns related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration. Ms. McCarthy stated that the School District does not have enough space to serve the youth sports programs in south east Huntington Beach, and asked that the City prioritize soccer fields at Edison Park. (00:37:14)

Cari Swan, supporter of the Save Surf City Recall, was called to speak and described certain actions taken by Councilmembers and the City Manager that in her opinion provide support for the Recall effort. Ms. Swan referenced Administrative Items Nos. 21 and 25 regarding purchase of Tesla electric vehicles, proposed changes to the Finance Commission, 4th of July Board, staff raises, and Councilmember Items No. 30 regarding a new position of Chief of Staff. (00:39:27)

Amory Hanson, Candidate for City Council in 2022, and Historic Resources Board Member, was called to speak and acknowledged that he submitted Supplemental Communications for Consent Item No. 23, Administrative Items Nos. 26 and 27, and Councilmember Item No. 30. Mr. Hanson also stated his support for continuing the Pier Plaza Art Afaire. (00:41:44)

Pam Free, Pier Plaza Art Afaire operator for nearly 30 years, was called to speak and thanked community members for their support. Ms. Free further stated her opinion that the City's current effort for change will result in a corporate-run business with fees that probably only 25 percent of the current local vendors will be able to pay, and if this effort is successful, the Art Afaire will no longer truly represent local artists. (00:43:20)

Jonathan Walter, Pier Plaza Art Afaire vendor, was called to speak and shared his opinion that the Plaza area is space that can only accommodate approximately 50 vendors and if the City truly is looking to use the space to generate increased revenue, they should probably put in a strip mall. (00:45:28)

Richard Moseley, AKA "Richard Shoots" Photography, was called to speak and stated his support for the Pier Plaza Art Afaire and the local vendors who are providing hand-made items. Mr. Moseley stated current vendors are pretty unsettled about changes that may be coming, and encouraged dialogue to reach solutions. (00:48:16)

Greg Tross, representing Huntington Beach homeowners near 19th Street and Pacific Coast Highway, Jerry and Debbie Carpenter, was called to speak and shared a "disconnect" discovered in the City's Design Review process, as well as lack of staff communication. Mr. Tross described the effort of neighboring property owners to add 10 feet towards 19th Street which would negatively impact several neighbor's views and fresh air space. Mr. Tross asked for Council to review the letters submitted on this matter. Mayor Carr asked Mr. Tross to complete a blue card for staff follow-up. (00:50:24)

Mark Currie was called to speak and shared his concerns related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the importance of maintaining the trees and grass areas, and apparent lack of proper project neighborhood communication. (00:52:49)

Linda Richardson, a 50-year resident of Huntington Beach whose property is adjacent to Edison Park, was called to speak and shared her concerns related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, such as planning for more people and lights which will negatively impact neighborhood quality of life, and asked that all lights be off at 10 PM. (00:55:09)

Pano Frousiakis, Candidate for City Council in 2022, was called to speak and shared his support for small businesses in Huntington Beach, and asked why the focus on changing Pier Plaza Art Afaire, something that in his opinion is not broken. (00:57:23)

Nancy Buchoz, long-time resident of south east Huntington Beach, was called to speak and shared her concerns related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the importance of maintaining the trees and grass areas. (00:59:41)

Dave Sullivan, Former Mayor and Councilmember, was called to speak and expressed his support for Ms. Free and local artists that participate in the Pier Plaza Art Afaire. Mr. Sullivan also stated his support for the comments made earlier by Mr. Gates, Candidate for City Attorney Re-Election in 2022 regarding state housing mandates, and thanked Huntington Beach Fire and Police staff members for being the best in the County. (01:01:58)

Bill Kreig, a 25-year resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak and shared his comments related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including that he has participated in the process thus far and is very excited to see the completion of a well thought out plan that will support many different activities. (01:03:55)

Bill Whittingham, a 10-year Pier Plaza Art Afaire vendor, was called to speak and expressed his appreciation for Ms. Free and the opportunity provided for him to make a living. Mr. Whittingham described repeat customers who do not live in Huntington Beach, but who make the trip when they know the Art Afaire is open, and also spend money buying lunch or dinner when in town, to support his hope that the Art Afaire will continue to operate in 2022. (01:05:24)

Carl Morgan, whose wife is a Pier Plaza Art Afaire vendor, was called to speak and expressed their opinion that the current Art Afaire definitely provides a "local" rather than commercial atmosphere, and they see tourists who return year after year to make additional purchases. (01:06:52)

Kimo Gandall, Professional Registered Parliamentarian and Real Estate Agent who was born and raised in Huntington Beach, was called to speak and stated his support for the Pier Plaza Art Afaire which he believes displays the importance of small businesses and family values in Huntington Beach. (01:08:59)

Robert Trazo, a resident of Huntington Beach whose property is adjacent to Edison Park, was called to speak and shared his concerns related to Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the fact that he just became aware of the project and absolutely no one from RJM Design Consultants or the City has reached out to him. Mr. Trazo asked that the vote on this project be delayed until all affected community members are allowed to be part of the process. (01:11:16)

Mark de Dubovay, a 25-year resident, small business owner, and Surf City Pickleball Society Member, was called to speak and shared his appreciation for Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the fact that the project includes pickleball courts and that he was able to participate in the planning process. (01:13:25)

Trudi Hunke, a 17-year Pier Plaza Art Afaire vendor, was called to speak and shared her support for Ms. Free and the opportunity to continue providing a venue where people can purchase truly hand-made items. Ms. Hunke noted the number of people who return often to support this small community of artists and expressed her desire to see this group allowed to continue selling their handiwork. (01:15:05)

Rich Jardine, a resident of Downtown Huntington Beach, was called to speak and shared his opinion that Main Street should be opened to traffic for the convenience of the residents and all of the non-restaurant or pub business owners. Mr. Jardine stated his opinion that the pandemic is over and all of the Main Street businesses need normal access. (01:16:04)

Susan Schaben was called to speak and shared her concerns for Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the importance of leaving the mature trees, and her opinion the proposed plan is placing too many activities to accommodate too many people in that space. (01:18:33)

David Reckards, an Art Faire vendor since 1996, was called to speak and shared his support for Ms. Free and what appears to be a successful win-win event. (01:20:52)

Gimo Trazo, a resident whose property is across the street from Edison Park, was called to speak and shared her concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, and a failed communication process that prevented public input on the plans. Ms. Trazo requested a delay on the approval vote to allow input from all area residents. (01:21:45)

Julie McEachin, former AYSO Coach and Booster President, was called to speak and shared her concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including her opinion that the community park is not a sports center, how the plan was poorly advertised, and requested that the project not proceed until time is provided for all impacted residents are allowed input. (01:24:42)

Brad Cantrell, a resident whose property is adjacent to Edison Park, was called to speak and shared his concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the lack of openness and communication with neighborhood residents, and planned removal of mature trees and green space. (01:27:06)

An unnamed Guest was called to speak and shared her concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the planned removal of mature trees which are a very important part of the local eco system, and which also improve air quality. (01:29:31)

Mary Ellen Cantrell, a resident whose property is adjacent to Edison Park, was called to speak and shared her concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the replacement of trees and grass with concrete, and the apparent lack of communication between the School District and City regarding each other's plans for the shared site. (01:31:56)

Bruce Levine, a Pier Plaza Art Faire vendor for 27 years, was called to speak and shared his support for keeping the event for the small business artists who provide unique and one-of-a kind products that have been selling successfully for nearly 30 years, rather than bringing in commercial vendors. (01:34:17)

James Parkinson, a resident of Huntington Beach for over 50 years and currently living adjacent to Edison Park, was called to speak and shared his concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the planned replacement of trees and grass for a parking lot, and lack of opportunity for all impacted neighborhood residents to be involved. Mr. Parkinson requested a delay on Council's approval vote to allow input from impacted residents. (01:35:18)

Geri Von Freymann, a resident who uses Edison Park every day, was called to speak and shared her concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the planned irretrievable loss of greenery, and possible lack of appropriate American Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodations. (01:36:51)

Galen Pickett, a resident of Huntington Beach since 2010, was called to speak and stated his appreciation for the leadership provided by City Manager Chi and Council Members to ensure a city he and his family are proud to live in. (01:39:08)

Serenity Britton, a 12-year-old entrepreneur and Pier Plaza Art Faire vendor, was called to speak and shared her personal experiences and pride in successfully selling her creations at the Faire since last spring, and expressed her desire to keep providing product for her customers who come from surrounding cities as well as other states. (01:40:59)



Bob Bolen was called to speak and stated his support for the current management of Pier Plaza Art Faire and the opportunity provided for small businesses. He added his opinion that Council Members have an opportunity to truly stand behind their commitment to small businesses by how they handle this issue. Mr. Bolen also submitted copies of a petition from Downtown Second Block business owners who want to see their block opened up to traffic, and shared the dismay of many Downtown business owners who feel they are being left out of the changed plans to remove Third Block parking. (01:43:11)

Diana Abruscato, Certified Pickleball Instructor and owner of Performance Pickleball, was called to speak and shared her support for Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, especially the inclusion of pickleball courts. She thanked various City staff members for their support for an activity that is enjoyed by residents from grade school age and up. (01:44:38)

Caller Erica Shane, a 28-year resident of Huntington Beach, was invited to speak and shared her concerns about Administrative Items No. 27 regarding the Edison Park reconfiguration, including the lack of proper neighborhood communication. Ms. Shane stated that unless a tree is hazardous or becomes a danger it should not be removed, and she does not want to see Edison Park turned into a sports complex. (01:49:09)

Caller #4758, Casey McKeon, was invited to speak and stated his support for the current Pier Plaza Art Faire management and asked that the current contract be renewed. Mr. McKeon shared his opinion that putting this contract out to bid will increase artist costs and may result in putting some of them out of business. He added that this Faire is an integral part of the Huntington Beach landscape which draws people to the Plaza and Downtown businesses. (01:51:47)

Caller Mark Sheldon, a 30+ year resident of Huntington Beach, and Past Member of the Environmental Board, was invited to speak and shared his concerns about Administrative Items No. 25 regarding the effort to reform, consolidate, and dissolve certain Boards, Commissions, and Committees, especially Item I related to the Environmental & Sustainability Board. (01:53:30)

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE — APPOINTMENTS — LIAISON REPORTS, AB 1234 REPORTING, AND OPENNESS IN NEGOTIATIONS DISCLOSURES**

Councilmember Bolton announced her appointment to the CIAB/Public Works Commission is John Villa, Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce Chair-Elect and Interim CEO, and the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center Director.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT — None**

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **16. 21-835 Approved and Adopted Minutes**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to approve and adopt the City Council/Public Financing Authority regular meeting minutes dated November 2, 2021, and the City Council special meeting minutes dated November 6, 2021, as written and on file in the office of the City Clerk.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick
NOES:	None

**17. 21-824 Adopted Resolution No. 2021-60 approving the M2 Expenditure Report for the City of Huntington Beach to comply with renewed Measure M2 funding eligibility as administered by the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to adopt Resolution No. 2021-60, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Concerning the Measure M2 Expenditure Report for the City of Huntington Beach."

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**18. 21-832 Adopted Resolution No. 2021-63 authorizing an application for grant funds from the California Division of Boating and Waterways to purchase a marine vessel sewer pump-out/dump station; and, authorized appropriation of funds**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to adopt Resolution No. 2021-63, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach to Authorize an Application for Funds to Purchase a Marine Vessel Sewer Pump-out/Dump Station;" and, appropriate \$25,000 in grant funding, once officially awarded, into a grant account established by the Finance Department.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**19. 21-823 Adopted Resolution No. 2021-64 certifying the City of Huntington Beach has authorized the Project List Submittal for Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) Funding through the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) 2021 Pavement Relief Funding Program; and authorized appropriation of funds**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to adopt Resolution No. 2021-64, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Which Certifies the City of Huntington Beach has Authorized the Project List Submittal for Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) Funding through the Orange County Transportation Authority 2021 Pavement Management Relief Funding Program;" and, appropriate \$578,011 in grant funding, once officially awarded, into a grant account established by the Finance Department.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**20. 21-817 Approved and authorized execution of the First Amendment to Site License Agreement with Cingular Wireless for the Wireless Communications Facility at Fire Station — Edwards**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the "First Amendment to Site License Agreement between City of Huntington Beach and Cingular Wireless for a Wireless Communications Facility at Fire Station 6 - Edwards" based on the terms and conditions as presented herein.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**22. 21-855 Appropriated grant and matching funds for the Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP)**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to appropriate \$139,650 to LRSP grant fund account 127285201.69365; and, appropriate \$50,350 to Prop 42 fund account 21985201.69365.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**23. 21-868 Approved and authorized the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Revize to Redesign and Maintain the City's Website; and authorized appropriation of funds**

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to approve a three-year Professional Services Agreement with Revize for website redesign and annual maintenance; and, authorize the appropriation of \$75,000 from the General Fund into the Public Information Office account.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**24. 21-831 Held Public Hearing and accepted the Five-Year Economic Development Subsidy Report for McKenna Motors Huntington Beach, Inc. Sales Tax Sharing Agreement**

City Manager Chi introduced Economic Development Manager, Kriss Casanova who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Five-Year Economic Subsidy Report Pursuant to Government Code Section 53083* with slides entitled: *Background, AB 562 - Section 53083, 5 Year Economic Subsidy Report, Key Points of City/McKenna Agreement, McKenna Subaru - Huntington Beach, and Five-Year Economic Subsidy Report Pursuant to Government Code Section 53083.*

Mayor Carr opened the Public Hearing.

Pursuant to the Brown "Open Meetings" Act, City Clerk Robin Estanislau announced supplemental communication that was received by her office following distribution of the Council Agenda packet:

**#24 (21-831)** PowerPoint presentation entitled *Five-Year Economic Subsidy Report Pursuant to Government Code Section 53083 Sales Tax Sharing Agreement with McKenna Motors*

*Huntington Beach, Inc.* submitted by Ursula Luna-Reynosa, Director of Community Development.

**Public Hearing Speakers — None**

There being no public speakers, Mayor Carr closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Posey provided a brief history of the agreement, and described McKenna's success in establishing their Subaru Dealership, while also revitalizing real estate on Beach Boulevard. He also noted that the dealerships on Beach Boulevard generate over \$1Billion in sales revenue, netting the City approximately \$10 Million in sales tax revenue. Councilmember Posey thanked McKenna for expanding their dealership in Huntington Beach.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize expressed her gratitude to McKenna Motors for providing another community purchasing option by expanding their business in Huntington Beach.

Mayor Carr thanked McKenna Motors for providing a state-of-the-art dealership to the community, and employing so many local residents.

Councilmember Moser thanked McKenna Motors for also investing back into the community by hiring new employees.

A motion was made by Posey, second Carr to open the public hearing and receive written and oral testimony; and, receive and file the "Five-Year Economic Development Subsidy Report Pursuant to California Government Code Section 53083 for a Sales Tax Sharing Agreement by and Between the City of Huntington Beach and McKenna Motors Huntington Beach, Inc.," in compliance with Government Code Section 53083.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

**21. 21-852 Authorized the City Manager to execute a Sole Source purchase order for the purchase of two (2) Tesla Model Y Electric Vehicles for addition to the Police Department fleet**

City Manager Chi introduced Public Works Director Sean Crumby who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Purchase of Two Tesla Model Y Patrol Cars the for Police Department* with slides entitled: *Vehicle Comparison: Model Y vs. Chevy Tahoe Electric Operating Cost, and Safety Ratings, Fuel vs. Electric Operating Cost, and Safety Ratings.*

Councilmember Kalmick confirmed with Director Crumby that it appears Huntington Beach Police Department would be the first in the State of California to choose the Tesla Model Y as patrol cars.

Councilmember Peterson and Director Crumby discussed that the Level II chargers already owned by the City will be used for charging. Director Crumby explained that a Southern California Edison grant has been applied for to purchase Level III chargers. There was discussion of the 48-hour Police Department test, and Director Crumby stated no long-term test has been found with a full police

equipment load and how it may impact length of use before re-charge is required. Director Crumby also stated that as a pilot, this purchase would add two vehicles to the fleet, rather than replace any existing vehicles.

Councilmember Peterson stated his opposition to this item because of his concerns about the potential extra expense for a vehicle that cannot be towed, and is more expensive to repair. He would prefer to let another city do the testing.

Councilmember Posey and Director Crumby discussed the time to charge and expected battery level at the end of a shift. There was further discussion regarding current vehicle life of a maximum of 100k miles or approximately 5 years, and it is currently unknown if the Tesla vehicles will last that long.

Councilmember Posey reviewed the total expected savings in fuel and maintenance costs with using Tesla vehicles and stated his enthusiastic support just from an economic perspective.

Councilmember Posey asked if there has been any study on whether electricity from the solar panels sold back to the grid could theoretically be used to offset energy cost for powering patrol cars. Director Crumby stated he didn't have an answer at the moment, but he would be happy to look into that, and confirmed staff is in the process of reviewing the solar panel contract to determine flexibility options.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize confirmed with Director Crumby that the Tesla Y model will be outfitted to match existing patrol cars.

Councilmember Moser stated her support for a plan that appears to reduce costs, and is going green at the same time. Director Crumby explained that other vehicle models were looked into, but the Tesla Y is the only green vehicle with adequate space.

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Posey to approve the sole source purchase of two (2) Tesla Model Y Electric Vehicles.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: Peterson

**25. 21-863 Adopted Resolution Nos. 2021-65 and 2021-66 and approved for introduction Ordinance Nos. 4239, 4240, 4241, 4242, 4243, 4244 to update the Huntington Beach Municipal Code to reform, consolidate, and dissolve a select number of the City's Boards, Commissions, and Committees**

City Manager Chi presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Board, Commission, & Committee (BCC) Reconfiguration — Approval and Adoption of Resolutions and Ordinances*, with slides entitled: *Background*, and *Recommended Actions (7)*.

Councilmember Kalmick confirmed with City Manager Chi that no changes are being made to the 4th of July Board other than appointing Councilmember Liaison Moser.

Councilmember Peterson and City Manager Chi discussed the updated attendance requirements for all Boards, Commissions and Committees, and updated language related to Council direction.

Councilmember Peterson asked why Finance Commission meetings changed to bi-monthly from

monthly, and City Manager Chi explained the bi-monthly meetings align with the Finance Department schedule. He added that the Finance Commission can meet any time the Council directs, or at any time they choose to request Council approval for any specific item the Commission selects, but the bi-monthly schedule presented by staff clarifies the minimum meeting schedule.

Mayor Carr explained the intent is to engage the Finance Commission before Council vote on issues and to provide a basic guideline.

Councilmember Peterson, City Manager Chi and Mayor Carr discussed the objectives of the Smart Cities and Technology Committee. Mayor Carr explained that this Ad Hoc Committee will ensure Huntington Beach is on the leading edge to take advantage of funding opportunities to enhance technology gaps.

Councilmember Posey prefaced his comments by reading Section 405 from the City Charter, which directs Council to establish boards, commissions and committees as deemed necessary for the orderly functioning of the City, and established boards, commissions and committees shall report to City Council.

Councilmember Posey explained the importance of the Finance Commission in providing financial perspectives, and stated they are not charged with second-guessing policy decisions that have already been made by City Council, or creating new policy.

Councilmember Posey stated the first priority is to have transparency, a defined purpose, and to maintain responsibility, through the Boards, Commissions and Committees, and his support for this item which delivers on those priorities.

Councilmember Kalmick expressed his appreciation for the effort staff put into this item, and stated his support.

Councilmember Posey noted that the 4th of July Board has a number of openings and encouraged residents to apply.

Councilmember Peterson responded by stating his opinion that the 4th of July Board should not change every four years because that eliminates so much experience, and it is beneficial to have the knowledge of people who have served for 30 years. He stated he believes there will need to be further discussions regarding this Board.

Councilmember Peterson stated that when he served on the Finance Commission they did not expect or require major staff time for their Council reports because they used their own time and money to research. He added that he would actually like to see a Finance Commission report as part of the study on utilizing electric vehicles for the Police Department.

Mayor Carr stated she doesn't believe the Finance Commission will be limited by this item, and clarified they should not ever again act as if they represent the Council on their own, without receiving Council direction. Councilmember Peterson confirmed that during his time of Finance Commission service they were responding to Council direction when doing their own research.

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Carr to A) approve the official dissolution of the Strategic Planning Ad-hoc Committee and BCC Review Ad-hoc Committee; and/or, B) approve the consolidation of the Economic Development Committee and Downtown Economic Development Committee; and/or, C) approve the conversion of Smart Cities Ad-hoc Committee into a standing, three-Council member, Smart Cities & Technology Committee; and/or, D) adopt Resolution No. 2021-65, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach repealing Resolution No. 2000-78 to formally dissolve the

Children's Needs Task Force;" and/or, E) adopt Resolution No. 2021-66, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach amending and reconstituting the Human Relations Task Force to the Huntington Beach Human Relations Committee (HBHRC);" and/or, after the City Clerk reads by title, F) approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4242, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach amending the Huntington Beach Municipal Code by repealing Chapter 2.103 and 2.111 and creating a new chapter 2.111 titled "Citizen Infrastructure Advisory Board/Public Works Commission;" and approve the official dissolution of the Beautiful, Landscape, and Tree (BLT) Committee; and/or, after the City Clerk reads by title, G) approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4241, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach repealing the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapters 2.64 and 2.84 and adding a new chapter 2.64 titled Community Services Commission;" and/or, after the City Clerk reads by title, H) approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4243, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach repealing the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter Chapters 2.86 and 2.30 and add a new chapter 2.30 titled Community and Library Services Department;" and/or, after the City Clerk reads by title, I) approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4240, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach amending the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter 2.102 entitled Environmental & Sustainability Board;" and/or, after the City Clerk reads by title, J) approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4239, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach amending the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter 2.109 entitled Finance Commission;" and/or, after the City Clerk reads by title, K) approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4244, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach amending the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter 2.100."

The motion, **as amended by Supplemental Communication for Ordinance Nos. 4240, 4241, and 4244**, carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: Peterson (Items C, E I)

**26. 21-875 Directed Staff to Solicit Proposals to Prepare Construction Documents for a Redesign of Main Street and extended the Temporary Closure of the Second block of Main Street to Vehicular Traffic**

City Manager Chi introduced Community Development Director Ursula Luna-Reynosa and Michael Bonn, Principal with Studioneleven, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Downtown Urban Design Study* with slides entitled: *Existing Condition (Pre-Pandemic)*, *Existing Condition During the Pandemic*, *Opportunities Diagram*, *Main Street Streetscape Redesign Strategies*, *Plaza Scheme*, *Overall Streetscape Diagram*, *Block 2 Plan*, *Block 2 Section*, *Block 2 (View looking towards the pier from Block 3)*, *Block 1 Section - Enhanced Streetscape*, *Block 3 Section - Enhanced Streetscape*, *One-Way Flex Scheme*, *Overall Streetscape Diagram*, *Block 2 Plan*, *Block 2 Section*, *Block 2 (View looking towards the pier from Block 3)*, *Block 1 Section — Enhanced Streetscape*, *Block 3 Section - Enhanced Streetscape*, *Furnishings (2)*, *Public Art (2)*, *Landscape (2)*, *Lighting (2)*, *ROW Allocation on Block 2*, *Public Space Programming: Events and Activation*, *Connectivity Strategies for Main Street*, *Downtown Connections: Strengths*, *Downtown Connections: Weaknesses*, *PCH Gateway and Wayfinding*, *PCH — Reconfiguration*, *1st Street — Pedestrian Improvements*, *Downtown Connections: Opportunities/Possibilities*, *1st and PCH — Gateway Development*, *Downtown Connections: Opportunities/Possibilities*, *Walnut Avenue — New Pedestrian Trail*, and *Thank You*.

Director Luna-Reynosa presented a summary of the input from the focus group which concluded some investment from the City in the area would be good to benefit all three Blocks, differences of opinion on what that investment would look like, and majority consensus for the plaza theme for a cohesive look.

She added that if this item is approved, it will require multiple phases with multiple opportunities for public input, and decisions made along the way will eventually lead to an opportunity to look at costs.

Councilmember Peterson asked why there wasn't input from every business and Director Luna-Reynosa responded that at this stage the effort was to include a representative of every type of business, and the ultimate decision is the City Council's as the area under consideration is the City's right-of-way. She added that a more robust outreach will be used once staff receives Council direction.

City Manager Chi confirmed that the Strategic Initiative Reserve fund has approximately \$18M which is available for community enhancement. Councilmember Peterson expressed his concern that replacement parking and project maintenance costs have not been determined, and Director Luna-Reynosa described possible parking options that require further study, as well as possible opportunity to share maintenance costs with the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID).

Councilmember Peterson stated his opinion that this is a very important project, and accommodations should be made to be inclusive of all affected business owners through all of the phases. City Manager Chi responded that Councilmember Peterson's valid questions and concerns illustrate the need to proceed in phases so that at any step Council has the option to opt out.

Councilmember Peterson expressed his support for allowing at least minimal traffic in the area, and ensuring the involvement of more businesses throughout the process.

Councilmember Posey stated the pandemic shift to outdoor dining in the area has increased business by 200 - 300 percent for some businesses, and outdoor dining is becoming more important to the experiential retail concept regardless of pandemic restrictions. He noted that during the pandemic the outdoor dining areas can be full and at the same time there is a lot of available parking space in the structures which indicates that people are walking, bicycling, or using alternative transportation and number of parking spaces may not be critical.

Councilmember Posey stated that Council first needs to decide if they want to pursue changes for the Downtown area, then the next step is to determine options, after which costs can be evaluated. Councilmember Posey stated his support for further evaluating the option of one-way traffic and opportunity for the 4th of July parade, and thanked staff and Consultant Bonn for the options presented.

Councilmember Kalmick stated he is excited to consider options for making an investment in the Downtown area, so that residents want to be in that area from December through May, or outside of the typical tourist season. Councilmember Kalmick stated support for a hybrid model which would keep Second Block closed while building connectivity to First and Third Blocks with one-way traffic.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize expressed her support for upgrading downtown, which she believes is long overdue, and ensuring that First, Second, Third and Fourth Blocks are included in any plan. She further stated her support for more research and keeping Second Block closed to vehicular traffic.

Councilmember Moser thanked staff and Consultant Studioneleven for the report and stated her support for a bold reinvestment in Downtown. From her perspective this is an opportunity to provide a welcoming place for people, and the plaza option has her support at the moment.

Councilmember Bolton stated support for investing to encourage locals to return to Main Street, and her preference for the plaza option. She stated the importance of continuing to get business feedback as the process moves ahead.



Mayor Carr stated that Downtown is the "Welcome Mat" for Huntington Beach, and her support for a plan which will incorporate all of downtown and make it consistent and cohesive, including Pier Plaza. Mayor Carr asked why those businesses that signed the petition presented by Mr. Bolen object to the City spending millions of dollars to improve the area.

Mayor Carr confirmed with Director Luna-Reynosa that the project is expected to require a Coastal Development Permit, but should not have to go before the Coastal Commission unless there is an appeal.

Mayor Carr stated there may be parking space considerations if the City can continue to offer transportation options like Circuit. She shared her interest in the flexible plaza option for Second Block, as well as ensuring input from every property and business owner. Mayor Carr agrees there may be safety issues regarding incorporating one-way vehicle traffic, but that will be studied as the project moves forward.

Councilmember Posey recommended Councilmembers read a report written by Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) and Orange County Business Council (OCBC) entitled *Infill Refill Opportunities* which analyzes under-performing and low-performing retail space in four cities, including Huntington Beach.

A motion was made by Carr, second Delgleize to direct staff to solicit proposals to prepare construction documents for a Main Street **Plaza Scheme** reconfiguration; and direct staff to extend the temporary closure of the second block of Main Street to vehicular traffic during the reconfiguration evaluation.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: Peterson

**27. 21-877 Approved Revised Edison Park Reconfiguration Conceptual Plan "Option C" submitted via Supplemental Communication**

City Manager Chi introduced Director of Community and Library Services Chris Slama and Tamara McClory, RJM Design Group, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Edison Park Conceptual Plan* with slides entitled: *Project Purpose, Project Timeline, Community Outreach - Outreach Advertising, Community Outreach, Virtual Online Survey #1, Virtual Online Survey #1 Results, Virtual Online Survey #2, Virtual Online Survey #2 Results, In Person Community Workshop, In Person Community Design Charette (3), Community Outreach, Group Composite Plan, Group Consensus Plan, Virtual Online Feedback Survey, Utilize Group Plan Template, Conceptual Plan Option A, Tennis / Pickleball Court Layout, What's A Pump Track?, Refinements to Conceptual Plan A, Conceptual Plan Option B, Additional Neighbor Concerns Raised, Areas of Residents Concern, Concerns Assessed, Response Option Developed, Conceptual Plan Option C, Next Steps, City Council Options, and Thank You.*

City Attorney Michael Gates noted for the record that this project may require a Measure C analysis, which means residents must be given the right to vote on proposed construction on beach or park land which exceeds a specific dollar amount.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize and Director Slama discussed the adjacent land owned by the Huntington Beach School District, or former Kettler Elementary School, which includes three softball fields; parking options; replacement tree policy; and community outreach efforts.

Councilmember Peterson stated his support for Option C and suggested staff ensure more people are in the communication loop.

Councilmember Posey expressed appreciation for the detailed report, efforts for community communication and knowing that new trees will replace any that must be removed. Councilmember Posey and Director Slama discussed funding options, and that at this time with so many variables, there is no way to estimate the cost.

Councilmember Posey suggested that the wood from trees that must be removed possibly be recycled into park amenities such as benches. He further stated that the majority of park development funds come from developer fees.

Councilmember Bolton suggested a link be established between the City's website directly to the Edison Park project website to make the project website easier to access. Councilmember Bolton and Director Slama discussed exploring whether any of the existing impacted trees could be relocated.

Councilmember Kalmick confirmed with Director Slama it is anticipated that there will be a net of more than 100 trees for this project. There was discussion that if the Huntington Beach School District were to put a road through a portion of Edison Park it would require City approval, and presently there has not been any discussions on that possibility.

Councilmember Kalmick and Director Slama continued their discussion on dual use of playing fields which will be accessible open green space when there is no practice or games; Southern California Edison (SCE) easements; repurposing and relocating courts on landfill; entrance change; and possible impact of Measure C requirements.

Councilmember Moser stated her appreciation for staff and RJM Design Group response to neighborhood concerns. She stated her support for Option C; and appreciation for knowing that there will be a net of more trees than will be removed; effort for reciprocal parking arrangements; the need for better outreach; and continued public input as the project moves forward.

Mayor Carr, Director Slama and Ms. McClory discussed the current number of parking spaces vs. Option C parking spaces; options to prevent overnight use; timing for lights; placement and use of picnic tables; the design process will include ADA compliance; the pump track priority during feedback; and recognition of how various activity options could impact the number of trees or amount of green space.

Mayor Carr suggested future outreach include door-to-door efforts, and expressed her concerns about ensuring there are soccer playing fields for next Fall. Director Slama stated there was never any expectation that the City would provide soccer playing fields for next fall, and added that AYSO, Huntington Beach School District and City staff are in continued discussions to determine appropriate solutions.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize and Ms. McClory discussed additional geotechnical studies and testing may be required to confirm cause of the settling issues and possible refinement of the plan.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize confirmed with City Attorney Gates that until a more specific plan is in place Measure C impacts are unknown, but it is important to be aware of Measure C requirements moving forward.

Councilmember Moser confirmed with Director Slama that plans do include peace and calm spaces, especially during the day, and discussion on the plan for newer, more modern lights which are more directional and focused, as well as additional trees to increase the perimeter buffer.

A motion was made by Delgleize, second Carr to approve the final Edison Park reconfiguration conceptual plan (**Option C**), and authorize staff to move forward with initiating development of the design and bid package for construction of the updated facility.

The motion, **as amended by Supplemental Communication (Option C)** carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

***Pursuant to Resolution No. 2015-46, at approximately 10:50 PM a consensus of Council was reached to continue the meeting past the hour of 11:00 PM.***

**28. 21-880 Approved Introduction of the Proposed Memorandum of Understanding Between the Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association (HBFA) and the City of Huntington Beach for July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023**

City Manager Chi introduced Interim Director of Administrative Services Brittany Mello and Fire Chief Haberle who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Introduction of Proposed Memoranda of Understanding with Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association and Fire Management Association* with slides entitled: *Overview, Proposed Memoranda of Understanding, FY 2021/22 Fiscal Impact, FY 2022/23 Fiscal Impact, FY 2023/24 Fiscal Impact, and City Council Options.*

Councilmember Peterson stated that this was the only bargaining unit which offered to give up any increase during the City's financial troubles a few years ago, adding that he is happy to support proposed Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) for both the HBFA and FMA.

Councilmember Posey stated his agreement with Councilmember Peterson's comments, and added that as pay and benefits decline there is the risk of losing good talent to other agencies, and he supports this effort to ensure Huntington Beach is able to retain the best and brightest staff.

Councilmember Kalmick commended these frontline workers for their extra efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic and stated his support for keeping Huntington Beach competitive.

A motion was made by Peterson, second Delgleize to approve the introduction of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Huntington Beach Firefighters' Association and the City of Huntington Beach for the period of July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

**29. 21-889 Approved Introduction of the Proposed Memorandum of Understanding Between the Huntington Beach Fire Management Association (FMA) and the City of Huntington Beach for July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023**

A motion was made by Peterson, second Delgleize to approve the introduction of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Huntington Beach Fire Management Association and the City of Huntington Beach for the period of July 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

## **COUNCILMEMBER ITEMS**

### **30. 21-898 Approved as amended Item Submitted by Mayor Carr and Councilmember Kalmick — Develop a job class specification establishing a City Council staff support position to better support City Council activities**

Councilmember Kalmick stated the intent is have a position as a clearinghouse for policy as well as staffing outreach to residents, to assist Councilmembers without them having to rely so much on the City Manager.

Mayor Carr stated this option is used successfully by other municipalities to ensure Councilmembers are more efficient and able to respond to resident needs more quickly.

Councilmember Peterson stated his opposition to this item as there is already a Public Information Officer (PIO), adding that the Chief of Staff is the City Manager, and Councilmembers are not allowed to direct any other City staff member.

Councilmember Bolton expressed her opinion that the couple of staff that currently support the Councilmembers is not enough considering the enormous amount of emails that come in, and explained that Federal officials have Legislative Correspondent staff to handle communication responses.

Councilmember Posey stated his appreciation for the unique situations that Mayor Carr has handled during her term, and referred to Section 307 of the City Charter which addresses the issue of Councilmember non-interference with Administration. He further asked which Councilmember a Chief of Staff would report to, and would they prioritize the workload per the Mayor, or by Councilmember Items.

Councilmember Posey stated he could be supportive of directing the City Manager to add a staff member such as an Administrative Aide who is also available to assist Councilmembers on an as-needed basis as directed by a Council majority. He added his opposition to this item is also based on the projected total cost of nearly \$150,000 per year. He appreciates the intent of this item, but the execution will be problematic.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize stated her opinion there are times when additional staff is need, and her ambivalence as to whether it be a Chief of Staff or additional staff in the City Manager's office.

Councilmember Moser shared her concern about prioritizing the workload, and stated that staff is doing a terrific job, but it is insufficient considering the workload. Councilmember Moser and City Manager Chi discussed that it is not typical for a municipality to have a Chief of Staff position, and it is ultimately a policy call that Council has to make.

Councilmember Kalmick described this as an effort to allow a confident and smart individual to balance the one for seven situation and provide a resource before going all the way to the top to the City

Manager. In his opinion there is definite need for policy and communication support working in conjunction with the PIO, City Manager and Department Managers. He shared his opinion this new position will be crucial in making the transition to a new City Manager.

Mayor Carr stated she sees this as an opportunity to support an Interim City Manager, and agreed that "Chief of Staff" may not be the appropriate position title. Mayor Carr suggested Council may want to table this item until it can be included in the next budget cycle.

Councilmember Posey stated his support for tabling the item to not only allow for a new position to be included in the next budget cycle, but to also allow for review by the Charter Review Commission to ensure the City Charter is not being violated.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize stated her support for tabling this item to allow further discussion and information gathering.

Councilmember Kalmick reminded everyone this effort is to ask the City Manager to create a job class specification, not to actually hire someone.

City Attorney Gates directed Council's attention to City Charter, Section 307, specifically "The members of City Council shall deal with the administrative service under the jurisdiction of the City Manager solely through the City Manager, and no member of City Council shall give orders to any subordinate of the City Manager either publicly or privately."

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Carr to direct the City Manager to develop a job class specification establishing a ~~"Chief of Staff"~~ **City Council staff support** position modeled after the same role in Costa Mesa for City Council approval.

The amended motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: Peterson, and Posey

**31. 21-900 Approved item submitted by Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize — Adopt an Ordinance to prohibit the unlawful possession of Catalytic Converters**

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize thanked Expertech for providing the service of etching a car's ID into catalytic converters. She also shared details from the positive experience of the City of Irvine to document the effectiveness of such an ordinance.

Mayor Carr and Interim Police Chief Harvey discussed that under the current penal code, sometimes the District Attorney's office is reluctant to file felony charges when the victim has not yet been identified, and Chief Harvey explained that a municipal code which defined a catalytic converter that was not legally owned would be a misdemeanor violation.

Councilmember Kalmick confirmed with Police Chief Harvey that the vast majority of people with a catalytic converter inside the vehicle have stolen them.

Councilmember Peterson stated that if someone is legitimately recycling their own converter they have a receipt for the replacement.

Chief Harvey stated that people who may be legitimately providing converter repair service are pretty easy to confirm and would not be impacted by an ordinance. He agreed with Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize that having your catalytic converter inscribed with a Driver License number, or vehicle serial number makes it easier to determine whether or not it is stolen.

A motion was made by Delgleize, second Peterson to direct the City Manager, Police Chief, and City Attorney to draft an ordinance to prohibit the unlawful possession of catalytic converters and present it to the City Council for further consideration.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**32. 21-899 Approved item submitted by Councilmembers Kalmick and Moser — implementing a study to identify Street Segments eligible for Speed Limit Reductions under AB 43 (Friedman)**

Councilmember Kalmick introduced the item as a basic safety issue to be proactive in having a list of the qualifying streets so when the new law goes into effect the City is prepared to lower some traffic speeds.

Councilmember Moser explained that the Assembly Bill is providing more control to the cities to set safe speed limits, and stated the effort will be to focus on streets with a history of severe injury and fatal collisions. The effort will also focus on streets that are adjacent to schools and parks.

Councilmember Peterson stated his opinion that currently unsafe streets and intersections are evaluated at least every five years and speed limits can be changed.

Public Works Director Sean Crumby clarified that within the current law speed surveys are required every five to seven years. Director Crumby explained that a Consent Calendar Item approved earlier in this meeting appropriated funds for the Local Roadway Safety Plan, which involves collecting all collision data across the City looking for corridors that need improvement.

City Manager Chi stated that currently a city does not have much jurisdiction on setting speed limits, and AB 43 provides a new tool to allow for new speeds regardless of the existing speed limit.

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Moser direct the City Manager coordinate a citywide assessment to identify a list of qualifying streets that are recommended for speed limit reductions, with priority given to streets that have a history of fatal and severe injury collisions.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Bolton, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick  
NOES: None

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS (Not Agendized)**

Councilmember Moser announced a new Mobi Mat will be installed at Norma Gibbs Park by the end of the week; the Human Relations Committee Cultural Showcase on Native Americans this weekend; and stated her excitement at being the Council Liaison for the 4th of July Board.

**ADJOURNMENT** — 12:13 AM, November 17, 2021, to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Huntington Beach City Council/Public Financing Authority on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, at 4:00 PM in the Civic Center Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California.

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