



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

City Council Meeting – Council Member Items Report

To: City Council

From: Gracey Van Der Mark, Mayor
Pat Burns, Mayor Pro Tem
Tony Strickland, Council Member

Date: May 14, 2024

Subject: **Renaming of Commerce Lane to Ed Laird Lane in Honor of Mr. Ed Laird's Service to Huntington Beach- Request Action**

ISSUE STATEMENT

Mr. Ed Laird has lived in Huntington Beach since 1990, and Laird Coatings Corporation has been a cornerstone of Huntington Beach entrepreneurial industry since 1974. He has served on the Bolsa Chica Conservancy for 28 years, 8 of those as Chair of Board of Directors and currently serves as Chair of the Advisory Board.

He's been involved with the Boy Scouts of America for 60 years and Ed Laird Scout Camp at the Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center is named after him for his contributions and service. He has been a member of HB Boys for 25 years.

He has been active in the Kiwanis Club Huntington Beach since 1996 and served as president from 1999-2000. He was a Planning Commissioner for 2 years and has served on the American Cancer Society of Orange County for 11 years, 2 years which he served as President of the Orange County Region.

My colleagues and I would like to honor his service by renaming Commerce Lane, the location of Laird Coatings Corporation, to Ed Laird Lane. His name will be forever etched in our Huntington Beach history.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Direct the City Manager to return with a resolution for City Council to commemorate Mr. Ed Laird's service and rename Commerce Lane to Ed Laird Lane.

ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS

This action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Non Applicable - Administrative Item