

Minutes

City Council/Public Financing Authority City of Huntington Beach

Tuesday, May 6, 2025
4:00 PM — Council Chambers
6:00 PM — Council Chambers
Central Library – Lower Level Theater
7111 Talbert Avenue
Huntington Beach, California 92648

**A video recording of the 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM portions of this meeting
is on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and archived at
<https://huntingtonbeach.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>**

4:00 PM — COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER — 4:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, Gruel, and Williams
Absent: None

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO CLOSED SESSION (3-Minute Time Limit) — None

Mayor Burns read titles for Closed Session Item #1 25-338 regarding Conference with Labor Negotiators and Employee Organization: Huntington Beach Municipal Teamsters (HBMT); Item #2 25-339 regarding Conference with Labor Negotiators and Employee Organization: Management Employees' Organization (MEO); Item #3 25-340 regarding Conference with Labor Negotiators and Employee Organization: Marine Safety Management Association (MSMA); Item #4 25-341 regarding Conference with Labor Negotiators and Employee Organization: Surf City Lifeguard Employees' Association (SCLEA); and #5 25-342 regarding Employee Organization: Non-Associated (N/A).

A motion was made by McKeon, with a second by Van Der Mark, to recess to Closed Session.

RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION — 4:01 PM

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. 25-338 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.)** Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Director of Human Resources; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Huntington Beach Municipal Teamsters (HBMT).

2. 25-339 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Director of Human Resources; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Management Employees' Organization (MEO).
3. 25-340 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Director of Human Resources; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Marine Safety Management Association (MSMA).
4. 25-341 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Director of Human Resources; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Surf City Lifeguard Employees' Association (SCLEA).
5. 25-342 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Director of Human Resources; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Non-Associated (N/A).
6. 25-343 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Mullens (Sharon) v. City of Huntington Beach; OCSC Case No.: 30-2024-01431999-CU-PO-CJC.
7. 25-344 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Torres (Anita M.) v. City of Huntington Beach; 30-2023-01350857-CU-PO-NJC.
8. 25-345 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). O'Rourke (Loretta) v. City of Huntington Beach; OCSC Case No.: 30-2023-01338666.
9. 25-346 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). City of Huntington Beach v. Newsom, et al.; 8:23-CV-00421-FWS (ADSx).

6:00 PM — COUNCIL CHAMBERS

RECONVENED CITY COUNCIL/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY MEETING — 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, Gruel, and Williams
 Absent: None

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.

10. 25-333 Huntington Beach Police Chaplain James Pike

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE — Led by Mayor Burns

CLOSED SESSION REPORT BY CITY ATTORNEY — City Attorney Mike Vigliotta reported that City Council unanimously directed the City Attorney to file a petition to the U. S. Supreme Court in the case of Huntington Beach v. Newsom, et al.; 8:23-CV-00421-FWS.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS (2-Minute Time Limit)

Councilmember Williams reviewed Public Library card requirements for individuals ages 13 – 17, as well as standards for accessing various sections of the Public Library, as noted on the City's website.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS (Received After Agenda Distribution)

Pursuant to the Brown "Open Meetings" Act, City Clerk Lisa Lane Barnes announced supplemental communications received by her office following distribution of the Council Agenda packet which were all uploaded to the City's website and Councilmember iPads: *Consent Calendar Item #15 (2 email communications); Item #16 (1 email communication); Item #17 (1 email communication); and Councilmember Item #29 (10 email communications).*

PUBLIC COMMENTS (1-Minute Time Limit due to the number of speakers) — 104 Speakers
The number [hh:mm:ss] following the speakers' comments indicates their approximate starting time in the archived video located at <https://huntingtonbeach.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of Public Library books. (00:14:58)

Pastor Joe Pedick thanked Councilmembers for standing up for what is right. (00:16:14)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:17:15)

Dom McGee commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:18:13)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:19:26)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:20:45)

Karen England commented on the content of Public Library books. (00:22:02)

Brett Bush commented on the content of Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:23:19)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025 Special Election. (00:24:35)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:25:59)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:27:18)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:28:34)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of Public Library books. (00:30:00)

Unnamed Speaker thanked Councilmembers for standing up for what is right. (00:31:26)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:32:40)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:34:02)

Julie Rierson commented on her recent experience with Councilmember communications. (00:35:23)

Amory Hanson commented on the continuing fight against high-density development in Huntington Beach. (00:36:27)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:37:08)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:38:26)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:39:28)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:40:55)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:41:59)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of Public Library books. (00:43:27)

Christine Browning commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:46:37)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:47:38)

Tina commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:48:30)

Gina Clayton-Tarvin commented on what she believes are Councilmember violations of Huntington Beach Municipal Code 207080. (00:49:54)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of a Public Library book. (00:51:19)

Beth commented on the content of Public Library books. (00:52:30)

Lisa Musil commented on the content of a Public Library book. (00:53:27)

Mike Posey commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:54:45)

John commented on the content of a Public Library book. (00:56:00)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of a Public Library book. (00:57:20)

Lindsay Klick commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (00:58:55)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:00:09)

Mabel, Peterson Elementary School student, commented on signs for Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:01:37)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:02:23)

Stephen Quinn commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:03:32)

Jeannie Paris commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:04:55)

Ann Palmer commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:06:16)

Deon commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:07:30)

Kathy Carrick commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:09:03)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of Public Library books. (01:10:11)

Kathleen Duran commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:10:57)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:12:11)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:13:24)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:14:40)

Jerry Donohue commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:15:48)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:16:54)

Melissa commented on controlling the content of Public Library books. (01:18:13)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of a Public Library book. (01:20:39)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the content of a Public Library book. (01:22:00)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:23:12)

Robert Gray commented on the content of a Public Library book. (01:24:35)

Dennis commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:25:49)

Jasmine Stoelting commented on the content of a Public Library book and Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:27:10)

Kathryn Stock commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:28:24)

Frank Daniels commented on the content of a Public Library book and Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:29:38)

Brian Vea commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:30:55)

Jignesh Padhiar commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:31:36)

Melanie Brady commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:32:48)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:34:04)

Angela commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:35:07)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:36:26)

Bethany Webb commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:37:26)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:38:44)

Valentina Bankhead commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:40:03)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:41:17)

Unnamed Speaker commented on returning to the values of prior City Councilmember Shirley Dettloff. (01:42:50)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:43:57)

Chris Kluwe commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:46:04)

Tim Geddes commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:47:18)

Leanne Steinkizhner commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:48:27)

Megan commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:49:47)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:51:03)

Chris Rini commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:51:38)

Brandi commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:52:58)

Shawn commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:54:03)

Travis commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:55:02)

Stacey Grosvenor commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:56:01)

Cindy Tincon commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:57:18)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:58:32)

Jennifer Minko commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (01:59:53)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:01:12)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the 2024 restricted book list. (02:02:20)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:03:35)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:04:35)

Unnamed Speaker commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:05:45)

Jennifer Thomas commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:07:07)

Christian Hughes commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:08:14)

Diana Lithgow commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:10:38)

Sue Kingman commented on public response to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:11:33)

Patricia Pappas commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:12:51)

Sam Giesy commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:14:19)

Lisa commented on public reactions to Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:15:27)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:16:43)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:18:00)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:19:05)

Brian Thienes commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:20:20)

Dave Rynerson commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:21:53)

Unnamed Speaker commented on a personal experience related to how the current City Council is running Huntington Beach. (02:22:42)

Shannon commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:23:43)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Measures A & B on the ballot for the Tuesday, June 10, 2025, Special Election. (02:24:29)

Mayor Burns called for a recess.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS — None

AB 1234 REPORTING

Councilmember Twining reported attending the Annual Meeting of the California Association of Governments; and Mayor Burns and Councilwoman Van Der Mark reported going to Washington DC to advocate for funding.

OPENNESS IN NEGOTIATION DISCLOSURES — None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

11. 25-170 Department Services and Budget Overview — Treasurer, City Clerk, Community Development, and Huntington Beach Police Department

City Manager Travis Hopkins introduced Alisa Backstrom, City Treasurer, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *City Treasurer's Office*, with slides entitled: *City Treasurer's Office Budget*, *City Treasurer's Office Budget as % of City's General Fund Expenses*, *City Treasurer's Office Organization Chart*, *City Treasurer's Office Services, Operations & Performance Data*, and *Questions?*

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon and City Treasurer Backstrom discussed potential sources of additional revenue and cost savings options within the Treasurer and Finance departments.

Councilmember Kennedy thanked City Treasurer Backstrom for such an informative report and efforts to identify antiquated software which should be replaced, including considerations for inter-departmental integration.

City Manager Travis Hopkins introduced City Clerk Lisa Lane Barnes, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Office of the City Clerk*, with slides entitled *Central Hub of City Governance*, *Office of the City Clerk (3)*, and *Operations & Performance Data*.

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon noted the Passport Department provides full passport services for the public, whether the need is a new passport, renewal, or picture. On-line appointments are required for efficient processing.

City Manager Travis Hopkins introduced Director of Community Development Jennifer Villasenor, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Community Development Department*, with slides entitled: *Community Development*, *Community Development Department Budget*, *Community Development Department Divisions & Services*, *Operations & Performance Data*, *Efficiencies and Reductions*, *Streamline Surf City Milestone Map*, and *Questions?*

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon noted highlights of the Streamline Surf City Milestone Map which have been accomplished just in Phase 1. He is excited to see even more progress as Phases 2 and 3 are fully implemented.

Councilmember Kennedy praised a program that requires results, accountability and operating in a lean and mean manner, and noted benefits will keep coming and don't happen overnight.

City Manager Travis Hopkins introduced Kristin Miller, Civilian Police Services Commander, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Police Department*, with slides entitled: *Police Department Budget*, *Police Department FY24-25 Organizational Chart*, *Police Department Divisions & Services*, *Operations and Performance Data*, and *Questions?*

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon and Commander Miller discussed ways the Department has increased efficiencies and revenues.

Councilmember Twining praised Police Department staff and clarified with Commander Miller the helicopter patrol agreements with Newport Beach, Costa Mesa and Irvine.

Councilmember Gruel and Commander Miller discussed the Crime Lab which makes it possible to solve crimes more quickly.

Councilmember Kennedy noted that the Police Department budget is sizeable, and he considers this an investment necessary to keep Huntington Beach safe so it can continue to thrive.

12. 25-312 Homeless Services Update

City Manager Travis Hopkins introduced Lt. Roman Altenbach and Jessica Kelley, Homeless Services Manager who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Homeless & Behavioral Health System of Care 2024 Annual Report*, with slides entitled: *Social Services Update*, *Year in Review*, *HB Cares Volunteers*, *Navigation Center*, *Homeless Outreach Social Workers*, *Valuable Community Partnership*, *HPD Task Force Officers*, *Be Well Mobile Crisis Response*, *Contact Us & Get Involved*, and *Questions?*

Councilwoman Van Der Mark noted the compassionate approach that is used by Homeless Services personnel and volunteers to improve safety, such as in the area around Main Street and Pacific Coast Highway. She commended the efforts to be proactive as well as connecting individuals in need with appropriate services. Councilwoman Van Der Mark also noted that other cities see Huntington Beach as a model for reducing homelessness.

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon noted the all-time record of placing 78 people into permanent housing in 2024 and at a much lower cost point than previous efforts. He thanked Manager Kelley and Lt. Altenbach for such outstanding results.

At approximately 9:28 PM, Councilmember Gruel left the meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 13 - 25)

Councilmember Twining stated he would recuse himself from the discussion and voting on Consent Calendar Item #15, and Mayor Pro Tem McKeon pulled Item #15 for further discussion.

City Clerk

13. 25-175 Approved and Adopted Minutes

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to approve and adopt the City Council/Public Financing Authority regular meeting minutes of April 15, 2025.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

14. 25-332 Received and Filed the City Clerk's quarterly listing of professional services contracts filed in the City Clerk's Office between January 1, 2025, and March 31, 2025

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to receive and file the "List of Professional Services Contracts Approved by Department Heads and Submitted to the Office of the City Clerk during the period of January 1, 2025, and March 31, 2025."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

Fire

15. 25-335 Approved and authorized execution of a three-year License Agreement with Rio Media & Advertising Inc. for the Lifeguard Tower Advertisements Program

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon pulled this item to ask Fire Chief Eric McCoy to highlight this revenue generating opportunity which is projected to produce \$1M in revenue and be split 70% to the City and 30% to Rio Media & Advertising Inc.

A motion was made by McKeon, second Van Der Mark to approve and authorize Mayor and City Clerk to execute a three-year "Lifeguard Tower Advertising License Agreement by and Between the City of Huntington Beach and Rio Media and Advertising Inc."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN/RECUSE:	Twining
ABSENT:	Gruel

16. 25-336 Adopted Resolution No. 2025-33 authorizing certain City officials to execute Emergency Management Grant Applications and Documents

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to adopt Resolution No. 2025-33, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Authorizing Certain City Officials to Execute Grant Applications and Documents."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Gruel

17. 25-337 Adopted Resolution No. 2025-34 authorizing certain City officials to execute Applications and Documents to obtain Disaster and Emergency Relief

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to adopt Resolution No. 2025-34, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Authorizing Certain City Officials to Execute Applications and Documents to Obtain Disaster and Emergency Relief."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Gruel

Police

18. 25-229 Approved Annual Military Equipment Use Report (AB481)

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to approve Annual Military Use Report (AB 481) and renew Ordinance No. 4255 "An Ordinance of the City Council of Huntington Beach Adopting a Military Equipment Use Policy Consistent with Assembly Bill No. 481, and Making a Finding of Exemption Under CEQA"; and find that each type of military equipment identified in that report (Attachment 1) complies with the following standards for approval: 1. The military equipment is necessary because there

is no reasonable alternative that can achieve the same objective of officer and civilian safety; 2. The proposed military equipment use policy will safeguard the public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties; 3. Any future purchased equipment is reasonably cost effective compared to available alternatives that can achieve the same objective of officer and civilian safety; and 4. Prior military equipment use complied with the military equipment use policy that was in effect at the time, or if prior uses did not comply with the accompanying military equipment use policy, corrective action has been taken to remedy nonconforming uses and ensure future compliance.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

19. 25-331 Adopted Resolution No. 2025-28 and approved and authorized execution of Agreement between the City of Huntington Beach and the Huntington Beach Police and Community Foundation for the Transfer of Ownership of the Huntington Beach Police Department Training Center

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to adopt Resolution No. 2025-28, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Accepting the Donation of Improvements to City Owned Real Property from the Huntington Beach Police and Community Foundation"; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the "Donation Agreement By and Between the City of Huntington Beach and the Huntington Beach Police and Community Foundation," for the transfer of ownership for the Huntington Beach Police Department Training Center.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

Public Works

20. 25-227 Released Guarantee and Warranty Bond for Tract 18105 and Tract 18106 (Regatta - Holly and Gothard Townhomes)

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to release Guarantee and Warranty Bond No. 30190069 (Attachment 1); and, release Guarantee and Warranty Bond No. 30190068 (Attachment 2); and, instruct the City Clerk to notify the developer, Meritage Homes of California, and the City Treasurer to notify the Surety, The Continental Insurance Company, of these actions; and, instruct the City Treasurer to notify the City Clerk when the Guarantee and Warranty Bonds mentioned above have been released.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

- 21. 25-315 Approved and authorized execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Cooperative Agreement No. C-0-2037 between Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and Cities of Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, Santa Ana, and Westminster for the Edinger Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project.**

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute "Amendment No.1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-0-2037 between Orange County Transportation Authority and Cities of Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, Santa Ana, and Westminster for Edinger Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

- 22. 25-317 Rejected lowest bid for the Civic Center – Generator & Switchgear Replacement Project, CC-1720; rejected all remaining bids, re-scope, and re-bid the project**

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to reject all bids for the Civic Center – Generator & Switchgear Replacement Project, CC-1720.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

- 23. 25-322 Approved Second Amendment authorizing a one-year extension to the Waste Disposal Agreement between the County of Orange and the City of Huntington Beach extending the term to June 30, 2026**

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the "Second Amendment to Waste Disposal Agreement Between the County of Orange, California and the City of Huntington Beach."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

- 24. 25-323 Approved and authorized execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Cooperative Agreement No. C-0-2039 between Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and Cities of Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, and Santa Ana for the Warner Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project**

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute "Amendment No.1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-0-2039 between Orange County

Transportation Authority and Cities of Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, and Santa Ana for Warner Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project"

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

25. 25-324 Approved and authorized execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Cooperative Agreement No. C-0-2038 between Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and Cities of Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, and Santa Ana for the Talbert Avenue/MacArthur Boulevard Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project

A motion was made by Van Der Mark, second McKeon to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute "Amendment No.1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-0-2038 between Orange County Transportation Authority and Cities of Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, and Santa Ana for MacArthur Boulevard/ Talbert Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

PUBLIC HEARING

26. 25-272 Held Public Hearing and Adopted Resolution No. 2025-32 approving the 2025-26 Annual Action Plan, 2025-29 Consolidated Plan, 2025-29 Citizen Participation Plan, and 2025-29 Orange County Regional Assessment of Fair Housing for Use of CDBG and HOME Funds

City Manager Travis Hopkins introduced Charles Kovac, Housing Manager, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Public Hearing on the 2025-29 Consolidated Plan and 2025-26 CDBG and HOME Program Funding*, with slides entitled: *Background, Background (cont.) (2), 2025-29 Consolidated Plan, 2025-26 Annual Action Plan, 2025-26 FUNDING, CDBG Public Services, CDBG CAPITAL & HOUSING PRESERVATION PROJECTS, CDBG ADMINISTRATION, HOME ALLOCATIONS, 2025-29 Citizen Participation Plan, 2025-29 Regional Assessment of Fair Housing, Housing Rehabilitation Program, Recommendations, and Questions?*

Mayor Burns called for any ex-parte communications, and there were none. There was no Councilmember discussion.

Mayor Burns opened the Public Hearing.

Pursuant to the Brown "Open Meetings" Act, City Clerk Lane Barnes announced supplemental communications received by her office following distribution of the Council Agenda packet which were all uploaded to the City's website and Councilmember iPads: *Item #26 (1 letter communication)*.

City Clerk Lisa Lane Barnes announced there were no Public Speakers.

Mayor Burns closed this Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to conduct a public hearing on the following documents: 1. 2025-26 Annual Action Plan (for CDBG and HOME funding); 2. 2025-29 Consolidated Plan; 3. 2025-29 Citizen Participation Plan; and 4. 2025-29 Orange County Regional Assessment of Fair Housing, and approve and adopt Resolution No. 2025-32, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach, California, Approving the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, 2025-2026 Action Plan, 2025-2029 Orange County Regional Assessment of Fair Housing, and the 2025-2029 Citizen Participation Plan for Federal Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnerships Programs;" and authorize the City Manager to sign all necessary documents.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLIC HEARING

27. 25-308 Held Public Hearing and Authorized the 2025 Annual Weed Abatement Program

Jimmy Hoang, Code Enforcement Manager, presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Annual Weed Abatement Public Hearing* with slides entitled: *Background, Program Timeline (2), Recommendation and Questions?*

Councilmember Twining confirmed with Manager Hoang that staff will conduct inspections and any parcel owners who do not take appropriate action by the deadline will be charged for the costs if the City completes the abatement.

Mayor Burns called for any Councilmember ex parte communications, and there were none.

Mayor Burns opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk Lisa Lane Barnes announced no one signed up to speak, but 1 Public Speaker made an appearance.

Unnamed Speaker stated support for this item and also stated support for a previous City Council's decision in 2017 to use organic compounds for weed abatement. Unnamed Speaker noted her support for the Ocean View School District's decision to discontinue use of caustic pesticide or herbicide products. She encouraged the City to confirm with the vendor selected for any weed abatement within the City the kind of herbicide that will be used, and require the cleanest possible chemical be used for the protection of all people and pets.

There being no more public speakers, Mayor Burns closed this Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to open the public hearing to hear any objections to the proposed weed and rubbish removal; and authorize the Director of Public Works to proceed with the abatement of the identified nuisance conditions.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

COUNCIL MEMBER ITEMS

28. 25-359 Approved Amended Item Submitted by Mayor Burns and Councilman Kennedy

Councilmember Kennedy introduced this item by providing a brief history of previous Council actions related to Group Homes. He noted that effective implementation of the Group Home Ordinance has been hampered by people operating without the required permits or in violation of conditions outlined in the existing permits. He added that when the law is not followed, it creates public safety, neighborhood quality of life, and/or quality of care issues.

Councilmember Kennedy stated the intent of this item is to prevent owners/operators from applying or re-applying for Group Home permit(s) for five years once they have been found to be operating unlawfully.

Councilmember Kennedy noted a new comprehensive document has been created and will soon be posted on the City's website. This document contains all the details including the types of group homes, required property buffers, permits, and number of employees, along with hyperlinks to verify details for state licensed facilities.

A motion was made by Burns, second Kennedy to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to amend the Group Homes Ordinance to prevent owners/operators from applying or re-applying for Group Home permit(s) for five years once they have been found to be operating unlawfully, and agendize the Ordinance for Planning Commission review and City Council review and approval, **as amended to include the property address.**

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

29. 25-363 Approved Item Submitted by Councilman Williams, Mayor Burns, and Councilman Twining

Councilmember Williams introduced this item by commending the investigative work of Mark Bixby at *Surf City Sentinel*, noted that Friends of the Library is an independent 501(c)3 charity organization that is not in any way connected to the Huntington Beach Public Library. He proceeded to present a PowerPoint communication with the first slide titled *Friends Of The Huntington Beach Public Library – Full Filing – Nonprofit Explorer – ProPublica, 3/7/25, 3:22PM* followed by slides entitled: *Our Story; IRS.GOV website page Frequently asked questions about the ban on political campaign intervention by 501(c)(3) organization contributions to political organizations; Recipient Committee Campaign Statement Cover Page – California Form 460; Schedule A (Continuation Sheet) Monetary Contributions Received, California Form 460, Page 22 of 102; Schedule A (Continuation Sheet) Monetary Contributions Received, California Form 460, Page 51 of 102; Schedule A (Continuation Sheet) Monetary*

Contributions Received, California Form 460, Page 59 of 102; Schedule F Accrued Expenses (Unpaid Bills) California Form 460, Page 102 of 102; 497 Contribution Report, California Form 497 (3); Friends Of The Huntington Beach Public Library – Full Filing – Nonprofit Explorer — ProPublica, 3/7/25, 3:32PM (3).

Mayor Burns and Councilwoman Van Der Mark asked for full disclosure on the outcome regardless of whether fraud or innocence is determined.

A motion was made by Williams, second Burns to approve the Mayor working with the City Attorney to file a complaint(s) on behalf of the City Council with the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) and/or the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regarding suspected campaign finance and charitable law violations.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: Gruel

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS — None

ADJOURNMENT — At 10:07 PM a motion was made by Burns, with a second by McKeon, to adjourn to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Huntington Beach City Council/Public Financing Authority on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at the Central Library, 7111 Talbert Ave, Huntington Beach, California 92648.

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the Public Financing Authority of the City of
Huntington Beach, California

ATTEST:


City Clerk-Secretary
Mayor-Chair