

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

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GRACEY VAN DER MARK, MAYOR PRO TEM

DATE: OCTOBER 17, 2023

SUBJECT: CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2023-41 TO ESTABLISH A POLICY FOR THE REVIEW AND RECATALOGING OF LIBRARY MATERIALS CONTAINING SEXUAL CONTENT

ISSUE STATEMENT

<u>On June 20, 2023</u>, I brought forth a Council Member Item report requesting to make obscene and/or pornographic materials in the Huntington Beach Public Library (HBPL) system unavailable to minors. I also requested a policy for procurement that includes new screening protocols for future materials intended for children and yet to be acquired by the HBPL be screened for obscenity and/or pornography.

To implement this, I ask the City Council to consider proposed Resolution No. 2023-41. If adopted, the policies in the Resolution would be in place along with consideration of policies proposed by staff during the October 17 study session and considered by the City Council in the future.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

I request the City Council consider adopting Resolution No. 2023-41 to establish a policy for the review and recataloging of library materials containing sexual content.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Not applicable.