

**Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
City Council/Public Financing Authority  
City of Huntington Beach**

Tuesday, November 18, 2025  
4:30 PM - Council Chambers  
6:00 PM - Council Chambers  
Civic Center, 2000 Main Street  
Huntington Beach, California 92648

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<https://huntingtonbeach.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>**

**4:30 PM — COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**CALLED TO ORDER — 4:30 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 by title Closed Session Conference with Labor Negotiators for Item #4 regarding Employee Organization: Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association (HBPOA) and Item #5 regarding Employee Organization Police Management Association (PMA).

Councilman Williams made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss an emergency matter, after news broke from the *Orange County Register* on Friday, November 14, specifically, the status of the current City contract regarding the employment of Michael Gates as Chief Assistant City Attorney, as well as to discuss avoidance of litigation over a possible breach.

Mayor Burns announced a short recess and the meeting was reconvened several minutes later after City Attorney Michael Vigliotta was seated.

Councilman Williams repeated his motion to inform City Attorney Michael Vigliotta. Mayor Burns provided a second, and asked City Attorney Michael Vigliotta for a response.

City Attorney Vigliotta replied that since this item was not on the agenda, the general rule is it cannot be discussed. He continued to explain there are very limited circumstances where that rule can be changed, such as the need to take immediate action on an item that comes before the Council after the 72-hour agenda posting requirement. He added that findings must be made, and presented to the public, for taking immediate action and such motion must be passed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of City Council.

City Attorney Michael Vigliotta added, that based on the facts as he knows them, there is no need to take immediate action. He noted that City Council could call for a Special Closed Session Meeting to discuss the matter under consideration, and the Special Meeting could be called within twenty-four (24) hours. He added his professional opinion that if City Council proceeded on this item tonight, it could be deemed a violation of the Brown Act.

A substitute motion was made by Burns, with a second by McKeon, to call for a Special Closed Session Meeting on Friday, November 21, 2025, at 12 PM for a conference with legal counsel regarding anticipated litigation.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION — 4:48 PM**

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

**CLOSED SESSION**

1. 25-890 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Aguilar & Calderon Corporation v. City of Huntington Beach; OCSC Case No.: 30-2024-01447484.**
2. 25-891 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Parrish (Raymond) v. State of California; City of Huntington Beach, et al.; OCSC Case No.: 30-2025-01472879.**
3. 25-892 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). People of the State of California/Bonta v. City of Huntington Beach, et al.; Case No. 30-2023-01312235-CU-WM-CJC.**
4. 25-905 **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Assistant City Manager; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association (HBPOA).**
5. 25-906 **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.) Agency designated representatives: Travis Hopkins, City Manager; also in attendance: Marissa Sur, Assistant City Manager; Mike Vigliotta, City Attorney and Robert Torrez, Interim Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Police Management Association (PMA).**

**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 endorse any particular religious belief or form of invocation.

### 6. 25-904 Huntington Beach Fire and Police Chaplain Roger Wing

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

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

**CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS (2-Minute Time Limit)** — Councilman Kennedy thanked Chaplain Wing for his heartfelt invocation.

### **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: Study Session Item #7 (*PowerPoint communication from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters and 3 email communications*); City Treasurer's Report Item #9 (*revised staff PowerPoint communication*); Consent Calendar Items #10 (*1 email communication*); #11 (*2 email communications*); #13 (*3 email communications and Appendix for City of Huntington Beach 2025 Parks and Masterplan Update*); #17 (*1 email communication*); #19 (*1 email communication*); and #21 (*revised staff PowerPoint communication*).

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS (2-Minute Time Limit due to number of speakers) — 48 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>.*

Monica Asbury announced the Annual Marine Corps Toy Drive, December 13, 2025, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, at Central Park West, near the lake, for underserved children in Orange County. (00:27:35)

Andrew Salazar stated he has been in discussions with staff regarding lease rights to the Huntington Beach Disc Golf Course and was advised to also engage Councilmembers. He was asked to complete a blue card for follow-up. (00:29:34)

Andrew Einhorn commented on various decisions made by Councilmembers over the last few years. (00:30:12)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voter registration process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:31:40)

Tim Geddes commented on the current voter process and stated support for guard rail and community supported City Council candidates in next year's election. (00:32:39)

Dawn Thomas commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:34:41)

Pat Goodman commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding the presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV). (00:36:34)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding the presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV). (00:38:01)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voter process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:39:28)

Amory Hanson commented on the USA Snowboarding Commission decision to drop its bid to represent Olympic Surfing. (00:40:48)

Mark Tonkovich commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:41:29)

Ken Inouye commented on the community's expectation that Huntington Beach Councilmembers make decisions in a spirit of compromise to achieve shared goals with an emphasis on financial accountability and transparency. (00:43:22)

Urson Russell commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:45:32)

John Nakai commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:47:37)

Unnamed Speaker commented on various discrepancies that appear upon analysis of the unofficial voter numbers for the November 4, 2025, Statewide Special Election. (00:49:55)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:52:12)

Jan Mirdnick commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding the presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV), and hiring Michael Gates for the City Attorney's Office. (00:53:51)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:54:59)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (00:56:30)

Unnamed Speaker commented on re-opening the Teen Section in Huntington Beach libraries. (00:58:31)

Calvin commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:00:13)

Kathy Carrick commented on the current voter registration process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:02:28)

John Redaelli commented on Consent Calendar Item #13 regarding the Huntington Beach 2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update. (01:04:27)

Chris Kluwe commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding the presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV). (01:06:36)

Harry commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding the presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV). (01:08:42)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:10:54)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:11:50)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:12:52)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:13:55)

Max Daffron, President and CEO, Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce, thanked Mayor Burns and Mayor Pro Tem McKeon for their participation in the recent State of Huntington Beach event sponsored by the HB Chamber of Commerce. (01:15:27)

Delaine commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:16:28)

Patricia Pappas commented on her personal experience related to the current voting process. (01:17:35)

Tammy commented on her personal experience of requiring public safety assistance. Mayor Burns asked her to complete a blue card for staff follow-up. (01:19:50)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the situation the prior speaker shared. (01:23:26)

Robert Trazo commented on Consent Calendar Item #13 regarding the City of Huntington Beach 2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update, specifically the redevelopment of Edison Community Park Southeast, Option 3. (01:26:30)

Gimo Trazo commented on Consent Calendar Item #13 regarding the City of Huntington Beach 2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update, specifically the redevelopment of Edison Community Park Southeast, Option 3. (01:28:14)

Sarah Casillas, PFLAG Huntington Beach, commented on the purpose of PFLAG, re-opening the Teen Section in Huntington Beach libraries, and appointment of Michael Gates as Chief Assistant to the City Attorney. (01:30:28)

Paula Schaefer commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding the presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV) and the appointment of Michael Gates. (01:32:17)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:34:00)

Beth commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:36:03)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:38:15)

Chris Jacobson commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:40:33)

Unnamed Speaker commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system. (01:42:18)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Consent Calendar Item #11 regarding the letter of intent between City of Huntington Beach and Archer Aviation, Inc. and selection of Michael Gates as Chief Assistant to the City Attorney. (01:44:12)

Unnamed Speaker commented on Study Session Item #7 regarding presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV) and selection of Michael Gates as Chief Assistant to the City Attorney. (01:46:02)

Russ Neal commented on how to ensure our exceptional system of personal freedom with limited government considering we are approaching the celebration of our 250th birthday. (01:47:19)

Ellen Riley commented on the selection of Michael Gates as Chief Assistant to the City Attorney. (01:48:29)

Jignesh Padhiar commented on the current voting process and need for changes to bring trust back to the system and selection of Michael Gates as Chief Assistant to the City Attorney. (01:49:31)

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS** — Councilman Gruel announced his appointment of Zach Newkirk to the Citizen Participation Advisory Board (CPAB).

**AB 1234 REPORTING** — Councilman Twining reported attending a meeting of the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG).

**OPENNESS IN NEGOTIATION DISCLOSURES** — None

***City Manager Travis Hopkins announced that Public Hearing Item #24 to adopt Resolution No. 2025-72 approving a Performance Contract with Energy Consulting Group for the construction of energy conservation at various City facilities was pulled from the agenda.***

## **STUDY SESSION**

**7. 25-902 Heard Presentation from Bob Page, Registrar of Voters (ROV)**

Mr. Bob Page, Orange County Registrar of Voters, presented a PowerPoint communication titled: *County of Orange Registrar of Voters*, with slides entitled: *Huntington Beach City Council, Bob Page, Registrar of Voters' Mission Statement, Registrar of Voters' Vision Statement, Registrar of Voters' Mission and Vision, Orange County Elections are..., Security and Integrity Measures, Security and Integrity Measures, Physical Measures, Technical Measures, Process Measures, People Measures, Quality Management System, Quality Management Commitment, ISO 9001 Certification, and Questions.*

For the next hour and 55 minutes ROV Page and Councilmembers discussed various topics related to the current voting process, including: percentage of votes/ballots which could be called as inappropriate or not qualified; Federal vs State election processing flags; efforts to compare city animal license registrations with voter registrations; ballot received by a non-citizen; review of addresses with ten or more voters; responsibility of parent to return ballot mailed to a child who no longer lives at home; earlier this year 176,000 inactive voters were cleaned from the Orange County system following the process for finding inactive voters; in the 2024 Primary Election 1.6% of ballots sent out were returned as undeliverable which was .5% less than the statewide average and significantly less than the U. S. First Class undeliverable mail of 4.3% in 2024; for the General Election, 1.7% of ballots mailed out were returned as undeliverable; Voter Choice Act; increasing costs; percentage of voter participation for various types of elections; policy positions are not the responsibility of the Registrar of Voters (ROV); nothing on actual ballot can identify a specific voter, only identifying precinct ballot is from; number of ballots received at a voting center is compared to the number of voter check-ins logged; signature verification process; DMV asking driver license applicants if they want to register to vote without any verification the applicant is a citizen; voting process for military and oversea citizens; review of process to prevent counting of duplicate ballots; any questionable ballots received are referred to the District Attorney for follow-up; on-line voter registration, for state elections voter self-attests under penalty of perjury they are a citizen and for federal elections proof of identity must be verified; discrepancy claimed by some between number of ballots counted vs number of people registered to vote; how numbers can appear skewed for precincts with institutions of higher education and cast vote records indicate number of ballot cards, not ballots; differences in voter laws between Florida and California; determining ballot mailed dates; voter registration changes can only come from the voter or official government sources; culture of process improvement within the Registrar's office; tally room for counting ballots has no internet connections; guidelines for storing sealed ballots after they are counted; calling of an election by the media vs Registrar's certification of results; consideration of automated signature verification vs human signature verification; SAVE Act 2025 would require proof of citizenship for voter registration and any registration changes; percentage of Orange County voters participating in elections; Mr. Page's qualification and experience; ROV's job is to advocate for positions taken by the Board of Supervisors regarding voting process changes, and he does not express personal opinions in effort to remain partisan; Voter ID typically means vote in person; vote-by-mail ballots are signature verified; legitimate ways a voter becomes inactivated; ballot harvesting is legal and each voter can allow anyone to deliver their ballot; Mr. Page agreed that for the most recent election a strategically held flashlight could reveal the marked vote through the ballot envelope; voters are encouraged to sign up for Ballot Tracking so they can be notified when their ballot is received by the Registrar of Voters; under federal law if a person registers to vote but fails to provide proof of identity, they will be flagged as unable to vote in a federal election; if a state election is only for local or state issue(s) and contains no federal issues, then federal voting laws requiring proof of identify do not apply; that ROV staff verified all of the addresses for the ballots in the stolen Huntington Beach USPS delivery truck, cancelled all of those ballots and re-issued ballots for everyone impacted by that incident; the local voter who registered their dog was caught because they stepped forward and admitted what they did and when the information was reported to the ROV it was handed over to the District Attorney for investigation; ballot signatures are reviewed against the most recent image in the file and if a discrepancy is found, then all signatures in the file are reviewed and the voter may be sent an affidavit asking for a current paper signature which will be added to their

file; if Huntington Beach implemented Voter ID, it could create voter confusion because of different rules at different voting locations; all Orange County cities consolidate their elections with the General Election November even-numbered years, however, some Los Angeles County Charter cities do conduct their own elections; Huntington Beach is not trying to be difficult regarding voting processes, but rather has valid concerns regarding local experiences; Huntington Beach Councilmembers would like to work with Orange County and State of California officials to improve the voting process; if Huntington Beach is successful in implementing Voter ID and holds local elections in conjunction with statewide elections, ROV staff throughout the county will have to be educated on how to properly handle Huntington Beach voters since Huntington Beach voters are allowed to vote anywhere; it was reiterated that only mail-in ballots are signature verified and in-person voters sign the roster under penalty of perjury that they are the voter they claim to be; review of the daily process to clean the voter rolls; unsuccessful efforts by the Board of Supervisors to support legislation that would require superior courts to provide information regarding jury questionnaires where the potential juror indicated they could not serve as they were ineligible because they were not citizens, didn't speak English, or didn't live in the county and ROV staff would then reach out to those voters to collect accurate information; California constitution states that all voting is secret; currently there is no 24-hour live streaming of all ballot drop boxes; ROV Page stated that it is his responsibility as an administrator that if there is proposed legislation he should provide a cost to implement it to the body proposing the legislation; in the 2024 General Election, 345 voters were referred to the District Attorney for trying to vote more than once; in the 2024 Primary Election, 437 voters were referred to the District Attorney for trying to vote more than once; since 2022 the District Attorney's office has only prosecuted two voter fraud cases, and all other cases the District Attorney has filed were either illegal activities related to circulating petitions or candidates misrepresenting information on their candidate declaration; by law, only the voter's signature on the ballot mail-in envelope must be verified; only a random sample is tested when potentially questionable ballots are analyzed and if that sample comes back as valid then all of the additional ballots are presumed to also be valid; random sample testing can also be used for validating city petition signatures, depending upon the instructions received from the city clerk; changing the random sample test to 100% validation could bring some level of trust back to the system; and another review of the 500 stolen Huntington Beach ballots situation.

#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**8. 25-848 TABLED to January 20, 2026 — FY 2023-2027 Strategic Plan — Biannual Progress Update #4**

A motion was made by McKeon, second Burns, due to the late hour for getting to this important item, to move this presentation to the second City Council meeting in January 2026 (January 20, 2026).

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

#### **CITY TREASURER'S REPORT**

**9. 25-877 Adopted Resolution No. 2025-68 approving the 2026 Investment Policy and Receive and File the City Treasurer's Q1 FY2025-2026 Investment Report**

City Treasurer Jason Schmitt presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Q1 FY25-26 Investment Review and 2026 Investment Policy Discussion*, with slides entitled: *Investment Policy Principles; 2026 Investment Policy Review; 2026 Compliance Requirements; Investment Performance – Safety (2);*

*Sources of Fund Balance Increases (FY2018-FY2024); Investment Performance – Liquidity; Investment Performance - Yield (2); Q1 FY25-26 Investment Performance; Q1 FY25-26 Investment Performance Template - Summary; Q1 FY25-26 Investment Performance Template - Portfolio; Internal and External Initiatives.*

Councilmembers and Treasurer Schmitt discussed expected bond yields over the next year or two; return on cash reserves; reason for shortening the maturity on Certificates of Deposits; appreciation for the format of the report and noting the report highlights the City's financial health in spite of what many people are saying.

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to adopt Resolution No. 2025-68, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Approving the Statement of Investment Policy 2026." Receive and File the City Treasurer's Q1 FY2025-2026 Investment Report, pursuant to Section 18.0 of the Investment Policy of the City of Huntington Beach.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 10 - 23)**

Councilmember Williams pulled Item #13 and Councilmember Kennedy pulled Item #16 for further discussion.

City Clerk

**10. 25-878 Approved and Adopted Minutes**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to approve and adopt the City Council/Public Finance Authority and Housing Authority special meeting of October 28, 2025, and the City Council/Public Finance Authority regular meeting minutes of November 4, 2025.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

City Manager

**11. 25-903 Authorized the City Manager to Execute the Letter of Intent between City of Huntington Beach and Archer Aviation, Inc. Regarding Participation in the Federal Integration Pilot Program (iPP) for eVTOL**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to authorize the City Manager to execute the Letter of Intent between the City of Huntington Beach and Archer Aviation, Inc. Regarding Participation in the Federal Integration Pilot Program (iPP) for eVTOL.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**12. 25-752 Approved and Authorized Amendment to the Lease Agreement Between the City of Huntington Beach and Tank Farm LC**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to approve and Authorize Amendment to Lease Agreement between the City of Huntington Beach and Tank Farm LC.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Community and Library Services

**13. 25-872 Approved the City of Huntington Beach 2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update**

Councilman Williams pulled this item to acknowledge the 500+ community members who have signed a petition proposing Option 3, a different plan for Edison Park. He believes that pausing the staff proposed Edison Park plan at this time would be appropriate to allow those residents an opportunity to present their proposal and help mitigate efforts that may end up being altered or re-directed.

Mayor Pro Tem McKeon noted that the Edison Park renovation plan will return to Council in the future for a final vote when community members will be allowed to provide additional input. He added that the Edison Park renovation plan has been in process for approximately seven years during which time the community has had multiple opportunities to provide input. In addition, this Master Plan has been approved by the Parks Commission and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis is nearly complete.

Community and Library Services Director Ashley Wysocki confirmed that the CEQA analysis and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) includes elements of the petition-proposed plan which public speakers referenced earlier this evening. She noted that the website for Edison Park renovations is still available for public comments and when the Edison Park renovation proposal returns to Council for formal adoption there will be an opportunity for additional community feedback. Director Wysocki added that this Master Plan Update is simply a recommendation document and does not create any financial obligations or commitments, nor does it lock into any specific plan. It just provides a snapshot view of what residents are currently looking for but does not create any definitive commitment. She reiterated that in the future Council will be looking at specific projects within this Master Plan, i.e., the Edison Park renovation plan, and at that time an opportunity will be provided for additional community input and for Council to make decisions on commitment specifics. In response to Councilman Williams' concern about grant applications, she noted that process will not start until the project is at the thirty-percent milestone.

An amended motion was made by Williams to adopt the 2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update as the City's strategic planning roadmap for parks, recreation, and open space planning with the direction to have the Plan reviewed by the Community & Library Services Commission every five years, **as amended to remove the staff proposed Edison Park renovation plan to allow time to consider petition-proposed Option #3.**

The motion failed due to lack of a second.

A motion was made by Burns, second McKeon to adopt the 2025 Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update as the City's strategic planning roadmap for parks, recreation, and open space planning with the direction to have the Plan reviewed by the Community & Library Services Commission every five years.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, and Gruel  
NOES: Williams

Community Development

- 14. 25-866 Approved and authorized the execution of the First Amendment to the Schedule of Lease Property between the City of Huntington Beach and T-Mobile West LLC for the cellular antenna site located on the roof of Central Library**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to approve the First Amendment to the Schedule of Lease Property between the City of Huntington Beach and T-Mobile West LLC; and authorize the Mayor to execute the First Amendment and any ancillary documents, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Human Resources

- 15. 25-867 Adopted Resolution No. 2025-66 modifying the pay schedule for Part-Time, Non-Permanent and Non-Classified Employees to comport with the State minimum wage increase effective January 1, 2026**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to adopt Resolution No. 2025-66, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Approving the Pay Schedule for Part-Time, Non-Permanent and Non-Classified Employees Effective January 1, 2026," and authorize the City Manager or designee to take all administrative and budgetary actions necessary to implement the revised pay schedule.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Finance

- 16. 25-883 Approved FY 2024/25 Year-End Budget Adjustments, Year-End Audit Entries and Transfer Recommendations**

Councilman Kennedy pulled this item to ensure the budget surplus is rightfully documented and invited City Manager Travis Hopkins to provide a summary.

City Manager Hopkins noted the \$7.4M surplus for fiscal year 2024/25 and thanked all departments for their efforts that resulted in a balanced budget. He noted that moving forward continued effort will include strengthening Workers' Compensation and Equipment Replacement reserve funds, as well as Bella Terra parking structure and CBDG & Home actual expenditure adjustments.

A motion was made by Kennedy, second Burns to increase appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Revised Budget by \$94,195 in the funds and amounts contained in Attachment 1 to reconcile the budget with actual expenses incurred; and, approve the \$301,906 appropriations and transfers for the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Revised Budget in the funds and by the amounts contained in Attachment 1; and, approve the appropriation and transfer of \$4,500,000 into the Workers' Compensation, and the Equipment Replacement Fund from the General Fund year-end balances (see Attachment 1).

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Police

- 17. 25-887 Adopted Ordinance No. 4344 Amending Huntington Beach Municipal Code Section 10.84 - Bicycle Regulations  
— Approved for Introduction November 4, 2025, by a vote of 7-0**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to adopt Ordinance No. 4344, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Chapter 10.84 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Relating to Bicycle Regulations."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Public Works

- 18. 25-860 Accepted the lowest responsive, responsible bid and authorized execution of a construction contract with Karbonous, Inc. in the amount of \$527,375.34 for the Well 9 Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Filter Media Replacement Project, CC-1837; and approved the reallocation of funds**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to accept the lowest responsive, responsible bid submitted by Karbonous, Inc. in the amount of \$527,375.34. Approve the reallocation of funds from the Water Master Plan Fund, Account 50791055.82100, in the amount of \$225,000 from Project CC-1734 - Wells 4, 7, and 13 On-Site Chlorine Generation and Fluoride Injection for Saturation Project, to the Water Fund, Account 50691051.82100. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a construction contract in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Twining, Kennedy, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, Gruel, and Williams

NOES: None

- 19. 25-859 Accepted the lowest responsive, responsible bid and authorized execution of a construction contract with Arnaz Engineering Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$5,143,000 for the Wells 4, 7, and 13 On-Site Chlorine Generation and Fluoride Injection for Saturation, CC-1734**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to accept the lowest responsive, responsible bid submitted by Arnaz Engineering Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$5,143,000. Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the construction contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

- 20. 25-847 Adopted Resolution No. 2025-67 concerning the Measure M2 Expenditure Report for the City of Huntington Beach**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to adopt Resolution No. 2025-67, "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 roll call vote:

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

- 21. 25-881 Approved and authorized execution of Professional Services Contracts for On-Call Construction Management, Materials Testing and Inspection Services with Accenture Infrastructure and Capital Projects, LLC; Ardurra Group, Inc.; Berg & Associates, Inc.; Certerra RMA Group; Dudek; GHD Inc.; GMU Engineers and Geologists, Inc; Harris & Associates, Inc.; and PSOMAS**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$1,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *Accenture Infrastructure and Capital Projects, LLC*, for On-Call Construction Management and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$2,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *Ardurra Group, Inc.* for On-Call Construction Management, Materials Testing and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$2,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *Berg & Associates, Inc.* for On-Call Construction Management, Materials Testing and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$2,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *Certerra RMA Group* for On-Call Construction Management, Materials Testing and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$1,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *Dudek* for On-Call Construction Management and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$2,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *GHD Inc.* for On-Call Construction Management, Materials Testing and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute

\$1,000,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *GMU Engineers and Geologists, Inc.* for On-Call Materials Testing; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$2,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *Harris & Associates, Inc.* for On-Call Construction Management, Materials Testing and Inspection Services; and approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute \$1,500,000 Professional Services Contract between the City of Huntington Beach and *PSOMAS* for On-Call Construction Management and Inspection Services.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**22. 25-607 Approved and Accepted the Public Improvements and Released the Securities for Tract 15377 (Parkside Estates Subdivision) and Accepted the Offers of Dedication**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to accept the improvements constructed and dedicated for public use with Tract 15377 and instruct the City Clerk to record the "Notice of Acceptance of Public Improvements" with the Orange County Recorder. Release the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bond Nos. 0195156, 0195157, 0195158, 0195159, 0195160, 0195162, 0195163 and Monument Bond No. 0195155 pursuant to the California Government Code Section No. 66499.7(a); and, accept Guarantee and Warranty Bond Nos. 0195156M, 0195157M, 0195158M, 0195159M, 0195160M, 0195162M, 0195163M; the security furnished for guarantee and warranty of the public improvements, and instruct the City Clerk to file the bond with the City Treasurer; and, release Guarantee and Warranty Bond No. 0195161M. Instruct the City Clerk to notify Shea Homes, the subdivider of Tract 15377, and the City Treasurer to notify Berkley Insurance Company, of these actions related to the bonds. Accept Offer of Dedication in Fee Title of Lots "A", "S", "B" and "X" of Tract 15377 and Instruct the City Clerk to record the Certificate of Acceptance. Accept Offer of Dedication the Easements over Lots "C", "N", "O" and "T" of Tract 15377 and Instruct the City Clerk to record the Certificate of Acceptance.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**23. 25-831 Approved and authorized execution of Amendment No. 4 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-3-2654 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach for the I-405 Improvement Project**

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute "Amendment No. 4 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-3-2654 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach for the I-405 Improvement Project."

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

24. 25-880 ~~WITHDRAWN Conduct a Public Hearing to adopt Resolution No. 2025-72 approving a Performance Contract with Energy Consulting Group, LLC. (ESG) for the construction of energy conservation at various City facilities~~
25. 25-879 Conducted a Public Hearing to adopt Resolution No. 2025-70 approving a Performance Contract with Alliance Building Solutions, LLC. (ABS), and Resolution No. 2025-71 approving a Finance Agreement and related documents with Metro Futures, Inc. for the construction of energy conservation at various City facilities.

**SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC HEARING — None**

Travis Hopkins, City Manager, introduced Chau Vu, Director of Public Works, who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Authorize Energy Efficiency and Infrastructure Modernization Contract – Alliance Building Solutions* with slides entitled: *NEED/WHY/BENEFITS; BACKGROUND; FUNDING/SCHEDULE; RECOMMENDATION; Project Benefits; Energy Performance Contracting Model; Current Energy Costs (2); Scope Matrix – Recommended Scope of Work (3); HVAC / Mechanical; Controls / Electrical - Transformers; Solar Photovoltaic System; Project Overview; Alliance Financing (Bank Lease Financing through ESCO Partner) / Traditional Bonds (Lease Revenue Bonds or Certificates of Participation); and Cost of Doing Nothing.*

Mayor Burns confirmed with Director Vu that the finance contract is for 15 years and the City will own all of the equipment that is installed during this project.

Councilmembers Gruel and Kennedy discussed with staff the early payoff provision and confirmed there will be no change orders because Alliance Building Solutions, LLC is responsible for any risks. The project is expected to begin in December 2025, to continue for a year, and will reduce greenhouse gas emissions going forward.

Councilman Kennedy noted this project provides the ability to shrink the timeline for capital improvements, and once the debt service is paid, the new equipment will continue to provide energy savings. He added that by starting this project immediately, it allows for the use of major solar government rebates that will not be available after December 31, 2025. He commended City efforts to utilize a business mindset when possible and stated his support for a project which benefits everyone involved.

Councilman Twining, Director Vu and Brad Chapman of Alliance Building Solutions discussed the timing of the government rebates which requires equipment installation and interconnection with Edison before a check will be sent to the City. Mr. Chapman stated those funds can be used as the City chooses.

Director Vu confirmed for Council Woman Van Der Mark that for this project staff focused on reducing energy use and saving money on high electricity bills. Mr. Chapman added that their business model is to implement multiple phases of work so that when the savings are realized for the initial phase, then the focus can expand to additional savings projects.

Mayor Burns opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk Lisa Lane Barnes stated that no one had signed up to speak.

Mayor Burns closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Burns, second Van Der Mark to make findings that the funds for the repayment of the financing are projected to be available from the funding that otherwise would have been used for the purchase of energy. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-70, authorizing "Performance Contract" and related exhibits for the energy conservation project with Alliance Building Solutions, LLC. in the amount of \$7,358,861. Authorize City Manager to execute documents approved as to form by the City Attorney necessary to manage, and complete the project with Alliance Building Solutions, LLC. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-71, authorizing "Financing Lease Agreement" and related lease documents to fund energy related upgrades with Metro Futures, Inc. in the amount of \$7,383,861. Authorize City Manager to execute documents approved as to form by the City Attorney necessary to finance the project with Metro Futures, Inc.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

**CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS — None**

**ADJOURNMENT** — At 10:47 PM a motion was made by Burns, with a second by McKeon, to adjourn to the Closed Session Special Meeting at 12:00 PM on Friday, November 21, 2025.

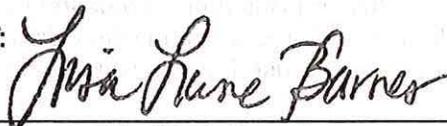
***The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Huntington Beach City Council/Public Financing Authority is Tuesday, December 2, 2025, in the Civic Center Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California.***

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

ATTEST:



City Clerk-Secretary



Mayor-Chair