



## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **City Council/Public Financing Authority**

**Tuesday, March 17, 2026**

**4:00 PM - Closed Session**

**6:00 PM - Study Session/Regular Meeting**

#### **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

*CASEY MCKEON, Mayor*  
*BUTCH TWINING, Mayor Pro Tem*  
*PAT BURNS, Councilman*  
*ANDREW GRUEL, Councilman*  
*DON KENNEDY, Councilman*  
*GRACEY VANDERMARK, Council Woman*  
*CHAD WILLIAMS, Councilman*

#### **Council Chambers**

**2000 Main Street**  
**Huntington Beach, CA 92648**

#### **STAFF**

*TRAVIS HOPKINS, City Manager*  
*MIKE VIGLIOTTA, City Attorney*  
*LISA LANE BARNES, City Clerk*  
*JASON SCHMITT, City Treasurer*

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**4:00 PM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**CALL TO ORDER – 4:00 PM**

**ROLL CALL**

Gruel, Kennedy, Twining, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, Williams – ***All present***

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO CLOSED SESSION ITEMS – None**

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – 4:01 PM**

**CLOSED SESSION**

1.     [26-238](#)       **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 Zack Zithisakthanakul, Acting Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association (HBPOA).**
  
  2.     [26-239](#)       **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 Zack Zithisakthanakul, Acting Chief Financial Officer. Employee Organization: Police Management Association (PMA).**
  
  3.     [26-194](#)       **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Boyd (Rodregous) v. City of Huntington Beach, et al.; OCSC Case No.: 30-2025-01480743.**
  
  4.     [26-240](#)       **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2).): One (1).**
  
  5.     [26-241](#)       **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). People of the**
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State of California, et al. v. City of Huntington Beach, et al. (Voter ID);  
Case No. 30-2024-01393606.

6. [26-242](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION.  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Bixby (Mark) v.  
Lisa Lane Barnes, et al.; OCSC Case No.: 30-2023-01366664.
7. [26-243](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION.  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Southwest  
Voter Registration Education Project, et al. v. City of Huntington  
Beach; OCSC Case No. 30-2024-01397379.
8. [26-244](#) 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.
9. [26-258](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION.  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Protect HB v.  
City of Huntington Beach; OCSC Case No.: 30-2025-01470582.

6:00 PM – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY MEETING - 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Gruel, Kennedy, Twining, McKeon, Burns, Van Der Mark, William - *All present*

INVOCATION

10. [25-943](#) Huntington Beach Fire and Police Chaplain Roger Wing

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

11. [26-257](#) Norm Sumner, American Legion Post 133

CLOSED SESSION REPORT BY CITY ATTORNEY - None

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS (2-Minute Time Limit)

*Council Woman Van Der Mark, made comments regarding a graduation that was held for a young woman whose father has cancer. Thanked everyone that participated in making this*

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*event happen, Supervisor Nguyen, Chief Parra, Police Officers Association, Council Members, Code Four. Mayor Pro Tem Twining made remarks on the event and Bill only has a few days left to live and was grateful to see his daughter graduate. He also wished Julie Toledo a happy birthday and presented her with cherry pie; Councilman Kennedy also made comments on the graduation event and commented on the strength of the family. He also made comments on pets and how they can change your life and Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> Central Park there will be a pet adoption event and vouchers to help with costs.*

**ADOPTABLE PET OF THE MONTH PRESENTED BY ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL CARE**

*Jonathan Volzke from OC Animal Care presented the adoptable pets of the month, Daylily and Xena.*

**BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT**

12. [26-233](#) Business Highlight Presentation

*Mayor McKeon highlighted businesses in the City.*

**COMMUNITY EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS (2-Minute Time Limit) Limited to one representative, one announcement – 5 speakers**

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

*City Managers Report #15 – (1); Council Member Items #22 – (1)*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - 15 Speakers; 3 minute time limit**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

**AB 1234 REPORTING - None**

**OPENNESS IN NEGOTIATION DISCLOSURES – Mayor Pro Tem Twining, Councilman Gruel and Council Woman Van Der Mark spoke with the Police Officers Association (POA).**

**STUDY SESSION**

13. [26-206](#) Joint Study Session of the Citizen Participation Advisory Board (CPAB) and City Council to review funding recommendations for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME

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**Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs for 2026-27**

**CPAB Roll Call: Chair Hammel, Secretary Pena; Board Members Pappas, Quinn, and Newkirk**

***Present: Pena, Pappas, Quinn, Newkirk***

***Absent: Hammel***

***Councilman Gruel Recused***

**PUBLIC HEARING**

14. [26-221](#) **Appeal of Planning Commission's Action on Conditional Use Permit No. 22-011 and Coastal Development Permit No. 22-009 (Huntington Club Remodel and Bungalows)**

**Recommended Action:**

**Planning Commission Action**

A) Find Conditional Use Permit No. 22-011 and Coastal Development Permit No. 22-009 exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15332, Class 32; and

B) Approve Conditional Use Permit No. 22-011 and Coastal Development Permit No. 22-009 with suggested findings and conditions of approval (Attachment No. 1).

***Supplemental Communications –1***

***Public Speakers – 10***

***Approved 6-0-1 (Van Der Mark-Recused), to continue Public Hearing to date certain, April 21, 2026.***

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

15. [26-259](#) **Upcoming Refuse Rate Adjustments**

***Senior Management Debra Jubinsky provided presentation.***

**CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 16 - 21)**

**City Clerk**

16. [26-232](#) **Approved and Adopted Minutes**

**Recommended Action:**

Approve and adopt the City Council/Public Financing Authority regular meeting minutes

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of March 3, 2026.

***Approved 7-0***

**City Manager**

17. [26-230](#) **Adopted Resolution No. 2026-08 Declaring each February 22nd as “USA Hockey Day” in the City of Huntington Beach**

**Recommended Action:**

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-08 “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Declaring each February 22nd as ‘USA Hockey Day’ in the City of Huntington Beach.”

***Approved 7-0***

**Public Works**

18. [26-172](#) **Approved the West Orange County Water Board (WOCWB) Joint Powers Authority Fiscal Year 2026/27 proposed budget in the amount of \$1,518,500**

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the West Orange County Water Board (WOCWB) Proposed Fiscal Year 2026/27 budget, including the City of Huntington Beach’s share in the amount of \$459,894 .

***Approved 7-0***

19. [26-146](#) **Accepted the lowest responsive and responsible bid and authorized execution of a construction contract with Vido Artukovich & Son, Inc./Vidmar, Inc., a JV, in the amount of \$4,495,550 for the McFadden Sewer Lift Station, Wet Well Project Phase 2, (CC1610); Rejected bids 1-3; Authorized a 15% in contingency; and Authorize appropriation of additional funds**

**Recommended Action:**

A) Appropriate \$4,356,300.09 in additional funding from the Sewer Service Fund (511);  
and

B) Accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid submitted by Vido Artukovich & Son, Inc./Vidmar, Inc., a JV, in the amount of \$4,495,550; and

C) Reject bids 1-3 as non-responsive to the bid requirements; and

D) Authorize the Director of Public Works to approve change orders up to a 15% contingency for potential construction change orders; and

E) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a construction contract with Vido Artukovich & Son, Inc./Vidmar, Inc., a JV, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

***Approved 7-0***

20. [26-223](#) **Accepted the lowest responsive and responsible bid and authorized execution of a construction contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc. in the amount of \$3,278,000 for the Residential Zone 3 Overlay Maintenance Project, CC-1839**

**Recommended Action:**

A) Accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid submitted by Hardy & Harper, Inc., in the amount of \$3,278,000; and

B) Authorize the Director of Public Works to approve change orders up to 10% contingency in potential construction change orders; and

C) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a construction contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc. in a form approved by the City Attorney.

***Approved 7-0***

21. [26-229](#) **Adopted Ordinance No. 4347, amending Section 14.16.190 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code relating to Protecting Cross Connections - Approved for Introduction March 3, 2026, by a vote of 6-0-1 (Burns-Absent)**

**Recommended Action:**

A) Adopt Ordinance No. 4347, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Section 14.16.190 of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code relating to Protecting Cross Connections."

***Approved 7-0***

**COUNCIL MEMBER ITEMS**

22. [26-254](#) **Item Submitted by Councilman Burns - Transfer of Authority of Conditional Use Permits (CUP) and Variances**

**Recommended Action:**

A) Withdraw authority as soon as possible of the Zoning Administrator from authorizing Conditional Use Permits (CUP) and Variances. All CUP and Variances to go to the Planning Commission for review and Approval or Denial; and

B) Evaluate opportunities to update the zoning code for efficiency in the entitlement process.

***Approved 7-0 as amended, to direct staff to provide list of current CUPs by zoning administrator that already exist, recommendations on CUPs that might be eliminated and a new fee structure/fee study and timeline to update the code and come back with a report.***

23. [26-255](#) Item Submitted by Mayor McKeon - Declare each December 5th as Sugar the Surfing Dog Day

**Recommended Action:**

Celebrate Sugar the Surfing Dog - a five time World Champion, five time Huntington Beach Surf City Dog Champion, and a Surfers' Hall of Fame Inductee - and declare each December 5th as "Sugar the Surfing Dog Day."

***Approved 7-0***

**ADJOURNMENT – 10:37 PM**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Huntington Beach City Council/Public Financing Authority is Tuesday, April 7, 2026, in the Civic Center Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California.

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# CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

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## City Council Meeting – Council Member Items Report

To: City Council  
From: Pat Burns, Councilman  
Casey McKeon, Mayor  
Date: March 17, 2026  
Subject: **Transfer of Authority of CUPs and Variances**

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### **ISSUE STATEMENT**

The Zoning Administrator, one person, has the Authority to approve CUP's and Variances. This is not very common in other cities. Here in Huntington Beach, we have a 7 member citizen appointed commission, the Planning Commission, that meets twice a month that can better serve this purpose to the community and the city. Some CUP's and variances can have great effect to neighborhoods and communities negatively; the review by the Planning Commission would serve the city more efficiently and in better service to the City. Additionally, there may be opportunities to update the zoning code for efficiency in the entitlement process.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

1. Withdraw authority as soon as possible of the Zoning Administrator from authorizing Conditional Use Permits (CUP) and Variances. All CUP and Variances to go to the Planning Commission for review and Approval or Denial.
2. Evaluate opportunities to update the zoning code for efficiency in the entitlement process.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS**

Not applicable.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL**

Non Applicable - Administrative Item