

Introduction of Ordinance No. 4283 Adding Chapter 13.07 to HBMC Title 13

Government Flags on City Property

February 21, 2023

Background

At the February 7, 2023 City Council meeting, the City Attorney was directed by City Council to return with an ordinance relating to the display of government flags on City property.



Proposed Ordinance 4283

- Per Council direction, proposed Ordinance No. 4283 would limit the City's display of flags on City property to the following governmental flags: United States, State of California, City of Huntington Beach, and POW/MIA flags.
- The City would also be permitted to display the flags of the County of Orange and the six branches of the military on City property, as needed.
- This would not limit individuals or businesses from exercising their free speech by flying any flag they choose on private or public property, so long as the flying of the flag is consistent with all other laws.



Recommendation

 Approve for Introduction Ordinance No. 4283, "An Ordinance of the City of Huntington Beach Amending Title 13 Public Property of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Adding Chapter 13.07 Relating to Government Flags on City Property."

