

From: [Sylvia Calhoun](#)
To: [CITY COUNCIL](#); [Lyn Semeta](#); [Gates, Michael](#)
Subject: Agenda item 15
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:01:40 PM

Dear Council Members,

I would like to support the reopening for business in Huntington Beach as soon as possible.

Thank you! Sylvia Calhoun

From: [Fikes, Cathy](#)
To: [Agenda Alerts](#)
Subject: FW: Opening Huntington Beach Businesses
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:41:33 PM

From: Andrea Russell <andrearussell@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 11:12 AM
To: Semeta, Lyn <Lyn.Semeta@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>; Andrea Russell <andrearussell@msn.com>
Subject: Opening Huntington Beach Businesses

Mayor Semeta,

I do not feel the safety of our Huntington Beach community is your first concern. The angry protestors you invited Friday is an example of your lack of concern for our community. Your refusal to work with Governor Newsom for a win win solution related to the opening or closing our beaches put your constituents at risk. (There was an option that would have been a win win solution similar to Ventura County, you choose not to consider) Your red versus blue gang war with the governor opened our community to protestors that spread hatred literature on HB letterhead and instilled fear in our community; the community your were voted to represent, Not only did your invite angry protestors that used HB letterhead to spread hate to local residents, you passed up a great opportunity to demonstrate strong female leadership.

Instead of engaging in a win/lose situation with the governor, there is an opportunity to lead our community to re-opening. Our community is full of manufacturing and small businesses. Business that want to re-open ASAP. To be able to re-open requires many variables to be present. Manufacturing will need help gaining loans to re-configure assembly lines, small business owners need to understand how to keep employees and customers safe with PPE supplies, hospitals need support to ensure they have supplies to fight an outbreak.

You have the opportunity to demonstrate leadership by working with the small businesses and manufactures to help prepare for our community to re-open. Supporting our local business is what we need right now. Kindly put your red versus blue gang war aside and be a leader in the community. Ensure our hospitals can support an outbreak of Covid-19, ensure our residents can get tested, ensure our business owners understand how to keep employees and staff safe so everyone can return to work, and most of all; stop supporting angry protestors, When you publicly disregard the governor, you invite angry protesters from outside our community that put our first responders and our residents of Huntington Beach at risk.

Please reach across to the blue team and start engaging in better solutions for our community.

Regards,
Andrea Russell; a local HB resident.
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From: [Fikes, Cathy](#)
To: [Agenda Alerts](#)
Subject: FW: Orange County Beach Closures
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:44:56 PM

From: Shannon Cook <shancook@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 9:30 AM
To: Semeta, Lyn <Lyn.Semeta@surfcity-hb.org>; Donald.Wagner@ocgov.com
Cc: Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Orange County Beach Closures

Good Morning -

Thank you for doing everything you are doing to reopen our beaches. I am a long time resident of Sunset Beach, and I work for the company that owns the Paséa Hotel & Spa, and our beaches need to be open.

I would like to provide a couple of observations regarding the beach closure:

1. Due to the beach closures, bike path closures and sidewalk closures, we noticed yesterday that this alarmingly forced hordes of people on to the bike lane adjacent to Pacific Coast highway. This included, bikers, walkers, runners, and people walking their dogs. This was especially concerning along the stretch of Highway between Beach Boulevard and Brookhurst where the ice plant meets the asphalt and the speed limit increases. Bikers were riding outside of the white line to pass people walking or running, and then slightly going in to the lane of traffic where cars had to veer over to the other lane or put on their brakes, it was entirely unsafe and is worse of a safety issue than allowing people to ride on the bike path.
2. I have a vacation ownership in Hawaii and I follow a lot of the Hawaiian news. As the beaches are iconic to Southern California it is even more so in Hawaii. The government there has closed the beaches to lounging (towels, chairs, etcetera), but allows other activities such as running or walking on the sand, surfing, swimming, etcetera. I don't think they have the bike paths like we do, but if they did, I'm sure riding bikes would be allowed as well. If this sort of thing was done, I think it would be the perfect compromise until we come through this pandemic.

Thank you again for all you do.

Respectfully,
Shannon Cook

From: [Fikes, Cathy](#)
To: [Agenda Alerts](#)
Subject: FW: Stay at Home Orders
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:42:42 PM

From: Erin Rustvold <erin.massagetherapy@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 9:47 AM
To: Posey, Mike <Mike.Posey@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Fikes, Cathy <CFikes@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Stay at Home Orders

Dear Councilmember Posey,

Please work cooperatively with our Governor to benefit us all. Please make decisions that work with California's Stages of Re-Opening, not defying them for some political agenda. I think that the our Governor Newsom and his administration have all been working extremely hard and diligently to help us all get through this incredibly difficult era of the COVID-19 crisis, making sure the people of the State of California and by extension, the United States of America and the World come out of this safe, healthy and well. As a business owner of a salon in Orange County, as well as a self employed massage therapist, I have had to close my salon and I haven't had an income since March 16th. All my co-workers, some single mothers, some their family's breadwinner, are without income as well. That lays heavy on my heart. I understand that people want to get the economy back up and running, I want that too. However, as a woman who has struggled with asthma the majority of my life and a roommate of my 85 year old grandma, I want it to be done safely, smartly and slowly. It is not safe to try to move salons, hair, nail, barbering, waxing, massage, etc. into a stage sooner than stage 3. We cannot physically distancing ourselves from our clients, that is the nature of the professions.

Thank you, stay healthy, safe and be well,

Erin Rustvold

From: [Fikes, Cathy](#)
To: [Agenda Alerts](#)
Subject: FW: Tonights meeting
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 10:24:31 AM
Importance: High

From: Gary Tarkington <garytarkington@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 9:41 AM
To: CITY COUNCIL <city.council@surfcity-hb.org>; Chi, Oliver <oliver.chi@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Tonights meeting
Importance: High

Huntington Beach city council,

I did not write this, but this is how I feel!!

" In response to item #15. Why would we need temporary outdoor dining when no dining is allowed under the governor's current orders? If this council is going to try and override the governor's orders they better be doing it for ALL of Main Street businesses, not just restaurants. I own a hair salon on Main and can't even guess as to when I'll be able to work again. This smells like a sneaky way to try and get our street closed to traffic AGAIN. It's a very despicable thing to try and do when all of us businesses are vulnerable & stressed. Restaurants are doing the best they can with takeout right now and if the flow of cars is stopped they will have fewer diners taking out. And where do you residents think all of these people coming into town would park if we lose our parking spaces right now? If counsel were to come up with a plan to close Main street for extra dining it will immediately be shut down because no outdoor or any dining is allowed right now so, therefore, leaving the street closed and closed off to car 's for someone's personal agenda to turn Main street into a walking area. How low can you let slide this in when we are all exhausted and preoccupied?

From: [Maria T. Spain](#)
To: [Gates, Michael](#); [CITY COUNCIL](#); supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: THANK YOU MAYOR SEMETA + YES ON AGENDA 15
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:19:30 PM

Mayor Semeta, Council Members and City Attorney Gates:

THANK YOU to our Mayor Semeta for your sincere dedication to our city during the most catastrophic shut down in our history. I appreciate your sense of calm, reason and focus on keeping the public informed as we navigate these rough, uncharted waters.

I would also like to show support for Agenda Item 15 and get a solid path to re-opening our city before any further (and irreparable) damage is done.

It is becoming more clear every day that the numbers are not bearing out to support a lock down of our city.

History with epidemics, has proven, no matter if it was, we learned from; recovered; and moved on:

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- Ebola, which began in 2014, is estimated to have cost a total of \$4.3 billion.
- 2019: COVID-19 - The novel coronavirus or COVID-19 pandemic has pushed the world toward a recession, as its largely uncontained spread prompted governments to encourage social distancing in an attempt to limit infection. By March, the American economy saw record levels of unemployment and a plummeting stock market. It also resulted in an unprecedented number of people working from home indefinitely, with untold ramifications for the future of office life.

Although the road to recovery may seem daunting, long and hard, its imperative that we begin the process of recovery and partner with our sister beach cities to help reboot our local economy. Lets reopen our beaches and parks so that our local economy can begin recovery and our community can begin to heal.

Respectfully,

Maria T. Spain (HB Resident)

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To: [CITY COUNCIL](#); [Gates, Michael](#)
Cc: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: THANK YOU MAYOR SEMETA + YES ON AGENDA 15
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 11:54:03 AM

Mayor Semeta, Council Members and City Attorney Gates:

I'd like to begin with a resounding THANK YOU to Mayor Semeta for your sincere dedication to our city during the most catastrophic shut down in our history. I appreciate your sense of calm, reason and focus on keeping the public informed as we navigate these rough, uncharted waters.

I would also like to show support for Agenda Item 15 and get a solid path to re-opening our city before any further (and irreparable) damage is done. It is becoming more clear every day that the numbers are not bearing out to support a lock down of our city. Let's get the economic engine primed and going again lets get our beaches open and show the rest of CA what recovery looks like!! As it is, the road to recovery is going to be long and hard.....we can go longer wait!!! REOPEN HB...REOPEN OC...REOPEN CALIFORNIA!!

Respectfully,

Cari Swan

From: [Eileen Harris](#)
To: [CITY COUNCIL](#); [Gates, Michael](#)
Cc: supplementalcomm@surfcity-hb.org
Subject: Thank you Mayor Semeta and Michael Gates - Agenda Item 15
Date: Monday, May 4, 2020 12:01:22 PM

Mayor Semeta, Council Members and City Attorney Gates:

Thank you Mayor Semeta and Michael Gates for your leadership. I support Agenda Item 15 and would like to see our beaches and small businesses open up. In my opinion, all beaches, trails, parks, and small businesses should be reopened with reasonable safety measures. Let's get back to work!

Respectfully,

Eileen Harris

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