

Minutes

City Council/Public Financing Authority City of Huntington Beach

Tuesday, July 6, 2021
4:00 PM - Council Chambers
6:00 PM - Council Chambers
Civic Center, 2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, California 92648
or, Virtual via Zoom Webinar

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4:00 PM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALLED TO ORDER — 4:01PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Peterson (arrived 5:15 pm), Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick
Absent: None

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS (Received After Agenda Distribution)

Pursuant to the Brown "Open Meetings" Act, City Clerk Robin Estanislau announced supplemental communications that were received by her office following distribution of the Council Agenda packet:

Study Session

#1 (21-504) PowerPoint Communication titled *Middle Income Housing Opportunity in Huntington Beach* submitted by Community Development Director, Ursula Luna-Reynosa.

PUBLIC COMMENTS PERTAINING TO STUDY SESSION / CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

(3-Minute Time Limit) — None

STUDY SESSION

1. 21-504 Middle Income Housing Opportunity in Huntington Beach

City Manager Oliver Chi introduced Director of Community Development Ursula Luna-Reynosa, assisted by Janice Eckles, Administrative Analyst Principal and Charles Kovac, Housing Manager who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Middle Income Housing Opportunity in Huntington Beach* with slides entitled: *January Strategic Planning Session, What Is Middle Income Housing financed with Essential Government Bonds?, Public Benefit Valuation, Investment Opportunity to Create Public Equity, Steps to Move Forward, Partners, and Questions?*

Via Zoom from Hawaii, Director Luna-Reynosa introduced Mr. Ben Barker, Financial Advisor, California Municipal Finance Authority (CMFA), the Joint Powers Authority purchasing said assets; Catalyst (Asset Manager) representatives Founder Jordan Moss and Allison Arnold, Partnerships Manager; and Orrick

(Bond Counsel) representative Partner Justin Cooper, who were all available to answer Council questions. Director Luna-Reynosa stated that this project would provide 676 Moderate Income Units.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize confirmed with staff that a full-time property manager would be on site, current tenants would not be forced out, any qualified residents may remain, and there would be no time limit on length of residency.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize and Jordan Moss, Catalyst Founder, discussed details related to resident qualifications to ensure they are paying no more than thirty percent (30%) of their income for rent, and some of the differences between a new housing development vs. converting existing housing.

Councilmember Posey described the Oceania development on Beach Boulevard as a model for addressing low-income needs, and stated his support for this plan to keep people working, living and spending in Huntington Beach. Mr. Barker, Financial Advisor with CMFA, added that this program would provide an avenue for upward movement for those currently in low-income housing.

Councilmember Kalmick confirmed that the County calculates Area Median Income (AMI), and discussed with Mr. Barker that CMFA is a government agency that returns the project equity back to the City. In addition, Mr. Barker explained that fifty percent (50%) of bond fees are distributed back to the community (split in half between the City and City-recommended non-profits).

City Manager Chi and Director Luna-Reynosa confirmed the model presented, compared to other models considered by staff, is the best way to achieve middle-income housing in a fiscally responsible manner.

Mayor Carr and Jordon Moss of Catalyst discussed what is lost versus gained when converting property to middle-income housing, and the types of decisions the City will make during the process.

Mayor Carr asked if there is a limitation on real estate investments, and City Manager Chi clarified that there is a difference between the City's investment portfolio and creating middle-income housing units. City Manager Chi confirmed that real estate investment is permissible as long as the investment is used for public benefit such as creating middle-income housing units, and stated this program is a viable, conservative and safe way to also create future returns.

Councilmember Posey and Jordon Moss discussed there may be a wash between the amount of property tax lost and the additional discretionary spending that may result from those paying reduced rents.

Mayor Carr stated her support for moving ahead, appointed Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize, and accepted Councilmember Posey's offer to serve on the Ad Hoc committee.

RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION FOR ITEMS 2 – 3 — 4:34 PM

A motion was made by Delgleize, second by Posey to recess to Closed Session for Items 2 and 3. With no objections the motion passed.

CLOSED SESSION

- 2. 21-505 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION. (Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(1).) Name of case: Gonzalez (Joshua) v. City of Huntington Beach, et al.; USDC Case No.: 8:18-cv-00953-DOC (DFMx).**

- 3. 21-510 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 54957.) Name/Title: Oliver Chi, City Manager.**

6:00 PM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

RECONVENED CITY COUNCIL/PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY MEETING — 6:02 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick
Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE — Led by Councilmember Posey

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 endorses any particular religious belief or form of invocation.

- 4. 21-451 Pat Goodman of the Self-Help Interfaith Program and member of the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council**

CLOSED SESSION REPORT BY CITY ATTORNEY — None

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 5. 21-486 Mayor Carr called on Victoria Albery to present the "Adoptable Pet of the Month"**

Ms. Albery introduced Dana with SAFE Rescue Team and Cashew, a small 9-year-old very "chill" dog that likes long walks, is a good eater, and loves to cuddle. Further details on Cashew can be found at <https://saferescueteam.org>.

- 6. 21-401 Mayor Carr proclaimed July as National Parks and Recreation Month and presented a proclamation to Chris Slama, Director of Community and Library Services**

Mayor Carr stated the City has over 75 parks comprising over 753 acres and 190 playgrounds providing many options for healthy lifestyles, and introduced a short video titled *Parks Make Life Better!*, that documents the many ways people use community park and recreation services.

Director Chris Slama thanked Council for the recognition, and stated the celebration is more meaningful this year coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic for the return of organized summer programs.

- 7. 21-453 Mayor Carr presented the Mayor's HB Excellence Award to Elisabeth Ferguson, Senior Accounting Technician, Finance Department**

Mayor Carr explained winners of the Mayor's HB Excellence Award are nominated by their co-workers considering the City's core values of humility, social awareness, passion, exceptionality, and integrity and team orientation. Elisabeth was described as someone who emulates the core values, and always with a smile.

Chief Financial Officer Dahle Bulosan described the extra effort Elisabeth provided this past year with the challenges of COVID-19 to ensure the community was served, while also training staff on a major system upgrade.

Elisabeth expressed her gratitude for the recognition.

8. 21-509 Mayor Carr presented the "Making a Difference Award" to Robyne Wood of Robyne's Nest, a non-profit organization that provides local at-risk and homeless high school students with resources and support to complete high school

Mayor Carr described the Making a Difference Award, which recognizes selflessness, volunteerism, and exceptional community service to acknowledge unsung heroes in Huntington Beach. Mayor Carr introduced Robyne and described some of the services that Robyne's Nest provides to create a path to high school graduation for at-risk youth.

Robyne thanked the Council for the recognition, and expressed appreciation to the many community members who have stepped forward as volunteers, donors and Board members to bring her vision to reality.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS (Received After Agenda Distribution)

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City Manager's Report

#9 21-506 PowerPoint communication titled *Huntington Beach 4th of July*, submitted by Interim Police Chief Harvey.

Consent Calendar

#10 (21-483) Memo received from City Clerk, Robin Estanislau, advising of a revision to the June 15, 2021 minutes.

#11 (21-501) Email received from John Martin regarding Climate Change Input to Huntington Beach IRC.

#12 (21-511) Email received from Mary Jo Baretich regarding the proposed appointment of Chris Houser to the Mobile Home Advisory Board.

#13 (21-464) Email received from Chris MacDonald regarding the proposed agreement with All City Management Services (ACMS), Inc. for Crossing Guard Services.

Administrative Items

#17 (21-498) PowerPoint Presentation titled *Huntington Central Park Public Art Installation* submitted by Director of Community & Library Services, Chris Slama.

Councilmember Items

#18 (21-512) Email received from G. Victor Leipzig regarding the proposed creation of a Citywide Sustainability Master Plan.

#19 (21-513) Thirty-two (32) emails received regarding the current State of Emergency.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-Minute Time Limit) — 14 In-Person and 4 Call-In Speakers

The number [hh:mm:ss] following the speakers' comments indicates their approximate starting time in the archived video located at <http://www.surfcity-hb.org/government/agendas>.

Amory Hanson, a member of the Huntington Beach Historic Resources Board, was called to speak and stated his appreciation for being able to meet in person for the July Historic Resources Board meeting. Mr. Hanson also stated his support for Councilmember Item No. 19 (21-513) regarding terminating Huntington Beach's COVID-19 Local Emergency Declaration. (01:12:35)

Jenny Braithwaite was called to speak and thanked the July 4th Executive Board for a very successful celebration. Ms. Braithwaite also stated her support for Councilmember Item No. 18 (21-512) regarding developing a Huntington Beach Sustainability Master Plan. (01:14:07)

Anthony Gerovese was called to speak and shared his proposal for using drones to help address the issue of illegal fireworks in Huntington Beach. (01:15:30)

Cari Swan was called to speak and stated her opinion that the open City Council position belongs to the next runner-up, Gracey Van Der Mark. Ms. Swan also expressed her disappointment that Former Councilmember Jill Hardy, who termed out last Fall, has submitted her application in an apparent disregard for the rules. Ms. Swan also stated her opposition to Councilmember Item No. 18 (21-512) for developing a Huntington Beach Sustainability Master Plan. (01:17:48)

Michelle Perelman, a 20-year resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak and stated her opinion that the open City Council position belongs to the voters and asked the Council to appoint the next runner-up, Gracey Van Der Mark. (01:20:26)

Bella Brannon was called to speak and stated her support for Councilmember Items No. 18 (21-512) regarding developing a Huntington Beach Sustainability Master Plan, and Item No. 19 (21-513) regarding terminating Huntington Beach's COVID-19 Local Emergency Declaration. (01:23:43)

Cheryl Horeczko, a 25-year resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak and stated her opposition to the City officially promoting the LGBTQ community and shared her opinion such support just contributes to the confusion, mental instability and anxiety of young children and teens. (01:25:16)

Maureen was called to speak and shared photos of crude oil coming out of the ground onto the sidewalk in front of the apartments at 220 Oswego Avenue. She reported this as a safety issue and asked City Council to email her their plan of action to remediate this dangerous situation. Mayor Carr asked her to complete a blue card for follow-up. (01:27:30)

Avery Counts, Constituent Services Manager for Orange County 2nd District Supervisor Katrina Foley, and resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak and congratulated Huntington Beach for the incredible 4th of July celebrations, including the 103rd birthday party for Mrs. Helen Smith; invited the business community to participate in the Veterans Workforce Development Program which provides grants to hire veterans; and announced there will be continued COVID-19 clinics in the Oak View community. OC Supervisor Foley may be reached through avery.counts@ocgov.com or by calling 714-559-8364. (01:30:49)

Season Baker was called to speak and expressed her disappointment regarding past actions by Councilmembers Moser and Kalmick on land use decisions that appear to conflict with the intentions of Councilmember Item No. 18 - Develop a Sustainability Master Plan. She also encouraged Council to listen to the residents and not just follow their own personal agendas. (01:32:38)

Russell Neal, a resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak and shared his disappointment in the Council's failure to authorize the lawsuit by City Attorney Gates concerning the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) made by Southern California Association of Government (SCAG), and noted residents are watching Council's actions in how they handle the current Council vacancy. (01:34:57)

Kayle Briles, a resident of Huntington Beach, was called to speak and stated his support for the appointment of local business owner Dom Jones to fill the vacant City Council seat. (01:37:25)

Kathryn March, a local business owner, was called to speak and stated her support for the appointment of local business owner Dom Jones to fill the vacant City Council seat. (01:38:55)

Roger Noor, a resident of Pomona, was called to speak and described vandalism to his car in Huntington Beach and lack of response from Police Department personnel to his follow-up calls. (01:40:25)

Call-in speaker Buzz McCord was invited to speak and stated his support for Councilmember Item No. 18 (21-512) regarding developing a Huntington Beach Sustainability Master Plan, and encouraged Council to follow the process in the City Charter to fill the Council vacancy with someone who has proven deliberative, constructive and administrative skills. (01:44:04)

Call-in speaker Lisa Swanson, a southeast Huntington Beach resident, was invited to speak and stated her support for Councilmember Item No. 18 (21-512) regarding developing a Huntington Beach Sustainability Master Plan, and added her opinion that though not specifically listed, climate change issues should be an important part of the plan. (01:46:08)

Call-in speaker Craig Preston, a resident of Costa Mesa, was invited to speak and stated support for Consent Calendar Item No. 11 (21-501) C) regarding support for HR 2307 (Deutch) – Carbon Dividend Trust Fund. (01:47:41)

Call-in speaker Katie, a life-long resident and Huntington Beach business owner, was invited to speak and congratulated everyone involved in the successful 4th of July celebrations. She also stated her support for following the process described in the City Charter to fill the vacant Council position, her opposition to appointing Gracey Van Der Mark, and support for flying the Pride LGBTQ flag. (01:49:06)

COUNCIL COMMITTEE — APPOINTMENTS — LIAISON REPORTS, AB 1234 REPORTING, AND OPENNESS IN NEGOTIATIONS DISCLOSURES

Councilmember Kalmick reported meeting with the Huntington Beach Municipal Teamsters (HBMT), Huntington Beach Police Officers' Association (HBPOA), Short-Term Rental Ad Hoc Committee, and Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) Energy and Environmental Committee (EEC).

Councilmember Posey reported meeting with the HBPOA, Orange County Vector Control, Orange County Power Authority (OCPA), and Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG), which voted to support a lawsuit against Housing and Community Development (HCD) on the calculations used for Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) numbers. Councilmember Posey explained if the lawsuit is successful, it might result in a minor adjustment to the numbers.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize reported attending a meeting of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Taxpayer Oversight Committee, which selected Huntington Beach resident Mark Kizzar as the newest member for OCTA District 2.

Councilmember Moser reported meeting with the HBPOA, and attending meetings of the Homeless Task Force and Huntington Beach Central Park Collaborative.

Councilmember Carr reported meeting with the HBPOA, attending meetings of Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD), Intergovernmental Relations Committee (IRC), Short-Term Rental Ad Hoc Committee, and Communications Committee.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

9. 21-506 Recap of 4th of July Police Department Response Activities & Planned Operational Adjustments to Enhance Response Protocols

City Manager Chi introduced Interim Police Chief Harvey and Fire Chief Haberle who jointly presented a PowerPoint communication titled *HBPD 4th of July* with slides entitled: *4th of July Preparations, 4th of July Activity: Overview, 4th of July: Calls for Service, 4th of July: MyHB Reporting, 4th of July: Weekend Enforcement, Weekend HB Fire Calls for Service, Planned & Unplanned Events (2), HBPD Organizational Changes, HBPD Special Operations Division, and Questions?*

Interim Police Chief Harvey and Fire Chief Haberle provided an overview of the preparations and actions taken to ensure public safety during 4th of July holiday celebrations, including the use of drones.

Councilmember Posey complimented both Interim Police Chief Harvey and Fire Chief Haberle for their planning, response and deployment over the long weekend, and shared some of his personal observations.

Councilmember Kalmick and Interim Police Chief Harvey discussed how calls for service are prioritized, and confirmed that citizen pictures and videos of illegal activity are helpful for follow-up. Interim Police Chief Harvey stated that at times of peak fireworks activity, the volume of calls creates a holding pattern that unfortunately cannot be avoided, but each call is recorded. Interim Police Chief Harvey confirmed that the Police Department organizational changes described was presented as information to document the Department's thoughtful analysis of service delivery and to fulfill his responsibilities.

Mayor Carr expressed appreciation to Interim Police Chief Harvey, Fire Chief Haberle and the July 4th Executive Board for a successful and family-friendly event. Mayor Carr and Interim Police Chief Harvey discussed drone use to assist not only with on-the-spot response, but also to gather information used for next year's pre-event community outreach.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Posey pulled Item 11. (21-501) for further discussion.

10. 21-483 Approved and Adopted Minutes

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Delgleize to approve and adopt the City Council/Public Financing Authority special meeting minutes dated June 10, 2021, as written and on file in the office of the City Clerk; and, approve and adopt the City Council/Public Financing Authority regular meeting minutes dated June 15, 2021, **(as amended by Supplemental Communication)** as written and on file in the office of the City Clerk.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

11. 21-501 Approved positions on legislation pending before the State and Federal Legislature, as recommended by the Intergovernmental Relations Committee (IRC)

Councilmember Posey pulled this item to state his opposition to Item C – (HR 2307) – Carbon Dividend Trust Fund.

Councilmember Peterson stated his opposition to Item C – (HR 2307) – Carbon Dividend Trust Fund.

A motion was made by Carr, second Posey to approve one or more City positions on the following State and Federal legislation: A) Support AB 571 (Mayes) - Impact Fees for Affordable Housing Units; B) Oppose AB 215 (Chiu) - Relative Progress Determination for Housing Elements; and C) Support HR 2307 (Deutch) - Carbon Dividend Trust Fund

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: A), B) Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: C) Peterson, Posey

12. 21-511 Approved appointment to the Mobile Home Advisory Board (MHAB) as recommended by City Council Liaisons Carr and Posey

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Delgleize to approve the appointment of Chris Houser as an owner member of the MHAB, effective immediately through August 5, 2025.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

13. 21-464 Approved and authorized execution of a contract agreement with All City Management Services (ACMS), Inc. for Crossing Guard Services

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Delgleize to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute "Agreement Between the City of Huntington Beach and All Cities Management Services Inc. for Crossing Guard Services" for a three-year term beginning on June 30, 2021.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

14. 21-489 Approved and authorized execution of a new Cooperative Agreement between the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the City of Huntington Beach for Senior Mobility Program (SMP) transportation services

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Delgleize to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute "Cooperative Agreement between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach for Senior Mobility Program."

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

15. 21-494 Approved and authorized execution of an Amendment to the Service Agreement between the City of Huntington Beach and MacKay Meters, Inc., for purchase of additional Single/Double Space Parking Meters

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Delgleize to approve the purchase of two one-space and 22 two-space MacKay parking meters; and, approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the "Amendment for Addition of Single/Double-Space Parking Meters" to the Gateway/Hosting/Notification Service Agreement between the City of Huntington Beach and MacKay Meters, Inc.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

16. 21-502 Approved and authorized execution of Amendment No. 1 to an Agreement with Tripepi Smith and Associates for Cablecasting Services for City Council and Planning Commission Meetings

A motion was made by Kalmick, second Delgleize to approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute, "Amendment No. 1 to Agreement between the City of Huntington Beach and Tripepi Smith and Associates for City Council and Planning Commission Cablecasting Services."

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

17. 21-498 Approved the Artwork Design and Location for the Huntington Central Park Public Art Installation as approved by the Design Review Board (DRB)

City Manager Chi introduced Former Mayor Lyn Semeta, and Director of Community and Library Services Chris Slama who presented a PowerPoint communication titled *Huntington Central Park Public Art Installation* with slides entitled: *Project Timeline (4), Initial Study Models and Research (2), Project Narrative, Location and Scale (4), "To See Yourself in Nature..." Daytime View (3), "To See Yourself in Nature..." Evening View (2), Staff Recommendation, and Questions?*

Mayor Carr thanked the Design Review Board and especially Former Mayor Semeta for their perseverance during this time of virtual concept reviews, discussions and decisions, which resulted in approval of this exciting project.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize stated her support for this iconic piece of art and thanked Former Mayor Semeta and the Board.

Councilmember Posey expressed his appreciation to Former Mayor Semeta for the exciting project, and for clearly describing the source of funding.

Councilmember Moser stated her hope that this project is just the beginning of public art in the City's public spaces.

Mayor Carr thanked Ashley Wysocki, Deputy Director of Community and Library Services, for her outstanding support during this process.

A motion was made by Peterson, second Delgleize to approve the design and location for the Huntington Central Park Public Art installation, as approved by the Design Review Board on June 10, 2021.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: None

COUNCILMEMBER ITEMS

18. 21-512 Approved Item Submitted by Councilmember Moser — Direct staff to begin work on developing Huntington Beach's Sustainability Master Plan

Councilmember Moser introduced her item by sharing concerns she believes can best be addressed through a climate action plan. She stated her discovery that the City is actually doing a number of things, but at the present time, these efforts are disconnected from each other. She shared her intent to see a sustainable master plan, or a holistic and whole-system approach, to encourage a prosperous and healthy community.

Councilmember Posey stated his support for this item for practical, pragmatic and economic reasons, and described past projects when there was a Sustainability Manager on staff.

Councilmember Peterson expressed his opinion that usually sustainability plans urbanize a community and create higher housing costs, which seems counterintuitive to the Council's current efforts to reduce housing costs. He also stated this effort is too broad in his opinion, and his concern it could create more unnecessary and expensive government restrictions.

Councilmember Moser responded that ultimately Council is responsible to improve the quality of life and wellbeing of the entire community, which takes pro-active and comprehensive planning.

Councilmember Peterson stated he is a supporter of personal responsibility, rather than supporting more government regulations.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize stated support for Councilmember Posey's remarks that the City has been working on sustainability for some time, and added she views this effort as creating options, rather than requirements, for sustainability.

Councilmember Kalmick stated his opinion that there is a collective responsibility related to issues like the rising sea level, and added that it makes economic sense for the City to have a sustainable program that ensures services are provided in the most efficient manner. He further described some of the City's existing sustainable policies, which are found throughout the General Plan, and stated he sees this item as a method to draw the policies together, which is expected to also enhance qualifying for funding resources.

Mayor Carr stated she sees this effort as creating an umbrella to consolidate existing sustainability efforts to save and make money for the City.

Mayor Carr and Councilmember Moser discussed that at the moment it is not known if a consultant will be needed during the process, and the intention is to direct staff to help determine available options.

City Manager Chi confirmed that if Council approves this item, staff would act by reviewing existing policies and report back to Council on options for moving forward.

A motion was made by Moser, second Delgleize to recommend that the City Council direct the City Manager to begin work on creating a Citywide Sustainability Master Plan, which should incorporate and prioritize protection of our local environment, advancement of our common economic interests, expansion of community health / wellbeing programs, and elevation of equity and inclusion efforts.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick

NOES: Peterson

19. 21-513 Approved Item Submitted by Councilmember Posey – Direct staff to prepare the necessary documents to terminate Huntington Beach's existing COVID-19 Local Emergency Declaration

Councilmember Posey introduced his item by describing the circumstances which resulted in the creation of the Emergency Declaration, and stated this item follows Governor Newsom's June 15, 2020, action to end the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy, fully re-open California's economy, and return to normal business operations.

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize and City Manager Chi discussed the fact there is a potential ability to be eligible for future related cost reimbursement if the COVID-19 Local Emergency Declaration remains in effect, and terminating the Emergency Declaration will eliminate the possibility of reimbursement. City Manager Chi stated that under current circumstances there is not expected to be a financial impact for Huntington Beach.

Councilmember Moser stated her support for this item, and her expectation that residents will continue to follow all Orange County Health Department COVID-19 safe guidelines.

Mayor Carr discussed with City Manager Chi her concerns that a COVID-19 variant might escalate and costs may be incurred for potential operational changes.

Councilmember Posey stated this action is expected to provide an offsetting financial impact due to increased sales and occupancy taxes.

Mayor Carr stated she doesn't believe approval of this item will suddenly open the floodgates for visitors, as the influx of visitors this past 4th of July weekend is evidence to her that a lot of people don't care whether the City has an operational Emergency Declaration or not.

Council Moser and City Manager Chi discussed that if the COVID-19 situation changes, and with actual findings of impact, it would be possible to make a new emergency declaration. City Manager Chi stated that most area cities are not yet terminating their Emergency Declarations just because of the off chance the pandemic situation may change. He added that in evaluating the percentage of people vaccinated in California and Orange County, the chance of incurring additional reimbursable expenses is pretty low.

A motion was made by Peterson, second Posey to direct the City Manager to prepare for consideration the documents necessary to terminate Huntington Beach's current COVID-19 local emergency declaration.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Peterson, Delgleize, Carr, Posey, Moser, and Kalmick
NOES: None

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS (Not Agendized)

Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize reported that Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) would be rolling out a free bus ride pilot program for ages 6 to 18 from September 2021 through February 2022.

Councilmember Posey reported attending Vista View Middle School's 8th Grade Promotion, Association of California Cities - Orange County's (ACC-OC) Mayors' Summer Reception, HB 4th of July Kick-Off Meeting Preview, Main Street Kick-Off Party, and viewing the 4th of July Car and Vehicle Parade from the comfort of his front yard on Main Street.

Councilmember Peterson reported he was the Master of Ceremonies for the 56th Annual Ms. Huntington Beach Rose Garden Ceremony where Queen Mara James planted a Royal Twilight rose. He thanked Sand Dollars for continuing to make this pageant possible, as well as Mayor Carr, Mayor Pro Tem Delgleize and City Clerk Estanislau for attending the ceremony.

Councilmember Moser reported meeting with City management and Central Library staff to evaluate use of some space at Central Library for teens and display of art; speaking at the Mesa View Middle School 8th Grade Promotion ceremony; discussions with the Director of Public Works and disabled community members about pedestrian and bike mobility planning; attending most of the July 4th events; and helping to serve orders at Downtown Sweet Elle Cafe.

Councilmember Kalmick reported attending most of the 4th of July events, including the Downtown Fair, and expressed his appreciation to everyone who had a part in the successful weekend, especially the 4th of July Executive Board.

Mayor Carr reported attending the 56th Annual Ms. Huntington Beach Rose Garden Ceremony; the HB Auto Dealers lunch where \$60,000 was distributed to local charities; Ribbon Cutting for Matter of Craft Bottle Shop, Tap Room & Scratch Kitchen; inaugurating a Mayor's Lunch for all Former Mayors who are not currently serving on the Council; and attending most of the 4th of July events.

Mayor Carr introduced a short video highlighting the Huntington Beach July 4th Celebration, and thanked the 4th of July Executive Board, Community Services, HB Police and Fire Departments, and Marine Safety staffs for such a successful weekend.

Mayor Carr announced that Huntington Beach came in as #1 in the United States and California with Wallet Hub for City Services, and #20 for all services.

ADJOURNMENT — 8:50 PM to a Special Meeting on Friday, July 9, 2021, at 8:00 AM, and an Adjourned Special Meeting on Saturday, July 10, 2021, at 8:30 AM in the Civic Center Council Chambers.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Huntington Beach City Council/Public Financing Authority is Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at 4:00 PM in the Civic Center Council Chambers, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California.

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