



MINUTES

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH CIAB/PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION MAY 20, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Frousiakis called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Padhiar led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Frousiakis, Macdonald, Michalski, Padhiar, Rivas

Commissioners Absent:

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Others Present:

John Poehler, Deputy Director
Joe Fuentes, Acting City Engineer
Ana Tenorio, Principal Management Analyst
Kristen Schroeder, Water Quality Supervisor
April Maese, Management Analyst
Jessica Castro, Management Aide
Ryan Gallagher, P.E., Ardurra
Karyn Igar, P.E., Mesa Water
Nadia Boutros, Civil Engineer, Mesa Water
Kaitlyn Norris, Public Affairs Manager, Mesa Water

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

26-414 Approval of March 18, 2026 Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Michalski and second by Commissioner Padhiar, the Commission voted to approve the March 18, 2026 Minutes.

VOTE:	The motion carried.
AYES:	5
NOES:	0
ABSENT:	1
ABSTENTIONS:	0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

Joe Fuentes, Acting City Engineer, provided updates on recent Public Works events and activities, including:

- An April 18 compost event held at the City Yard with approximately 50 attendees
- Two concurrent cleanup events held on April 25 at the beach and a local park, resulting in approximately 1,000 pounds of debris collected
- An Oak View cleanup event held on May 2
- A Compost & Vermicompost event attended by approximately 25 participants, future event is scheduled on Saturday, June 13, \$10 per resident
- Public Works Night held in Downtown Huntington Beach on May 12, with approximately 350 completed stamp cards indicating participation

Commissioners and staff shared brief updates on Public Works activities, including recent community engagement events, upcoming Citizens Academy sessions, departmental recognition, facility tours, and staffing updates. Commissioners also commented on prior and upcoming outreach opportunities.

Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Updates

Fuentes presented updates on active CIP projects, including:

- Heil Pump Station – In Progress
- Re-Roof City Gym and Pool – In Progress
- City Yard Administration Building Roof – In Progress
- Police Women's Locker Room - Completed
- Zone 3 Overlay and Slurry Seal – Partially Complete
- Drew Park Playground – Out to Bid
- Robinhood Playground – Out to Bid
- Bluff Top Slope Stabilization - Completed
- McFadden Lift Station Reconstruction – In Progress
- Arterial Rehabilitation FY 24/25 – Out to Bid
- Murdy Fire Station Signal – In Progress
- Downtown Street Lighting – Out to Bid
- Admiralty Bridge Rehabilitation - Completed
- On-Site Gas Generation Wells 4, 7, and 13 – In Progress
- Hartlund Water Main Replacement – In Progress
- Old Pirate Lane Water Main Project – Partially Complete

Commissioners asked questions regarding project status, scheduling, funding, maintenance responsibilities, and future planning. Staff responded to questions and provided additional information where available.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

26-406 Review of the Interagency Water Transfer Feasibility Study with Mesa Water District

Ryan Gallagher of Ardurra presented the Interagency Water Transfer Study prepared jointly for the City and Mesa Water District. Commissioners discussed the proposed water supply arrangement and asked questions related to long-term capacity, water quality, projected cost savings, operational impacts, and maintenance responsibilities. Staff and consultants provided responses and additional project information.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

26-177 Approve Infrastructure Fund Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

Ana Tenorio, Principal Management Analyst presented the annual Infrastructure Fund Report for Fiscal Year 2024/25. Commissioners asked questions regarding funding sources, General Fund contributions, and Infrastructure Fund allocations. Staff provided clarification and additional information related to project funding and operational support.

Commissioner Michalski made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Commissioner Rivas.

VOTE:	The motion carried.
AYES:	5
NOES:	0
ABSENT:	1
ABSTENTIONS:	0

MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Michalski thanked staff for their continued efforts and project work. Vice Chair Frousiakis commented that participation in the Citizens Academy originally inspired his interest in Public Works and later motivated him to serve on the Commission. He noted Public Works had made a strong impression during his participation in the program.

Commissioner Macdonald asked whether there were updates regarding the vacant Commission seat. April Maese, Management Analyst stated the recruitment process is ongoing and encouraged Commissioners to submit recommendations if interested candidates are identified.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:56pm a motion was made by Vice Chair Frousiakis to adjourn to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the CIAB/Public Works Commission on Wednesday, June 17, at 5:00 PM at the Utilities Yard, Training Center.