



City of Hermosa Beach

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

*Mayor
Justin Massey*

*Mayor Pro Tem
Dean Francois*

*Councilmembers
Rob Saemann
Mike Detoy
Ray Jackson*

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

6:00 PM 130 Kai Malina Parkway, Unit 503, Lahaina, HI 96761

**THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS FIREWORKS REGULATIONS ONLY. NO
OTHER MATTERS WILL BE HEARD.**

Teleconference Location:

6:00 PM - OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Francois called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Francois.

3. ROLL CALL

Mayor Massey attended the City Council meeting via Zoom.

Councilmember Saemann joined the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

City Clerk Myra Maravilla announced a quorum.

Present: 5 - Mayor Massey, Mayor Pro Tempore Francois, Councilmember Saemann,
Councilmember Detoy, and Councilmember Jackson

Absent: 0

4. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

There was no Closed Session.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS - UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Francois announced updated City hours of operations in Observance of Independence Day on July 4, 2024.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Deto, seconded by Councilmember Jackson, to approve the order of the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Massey, Francois, Saemann, Deto, and Jackson

Absent: 0

7. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

There were no Proclamations/Presentations.

8. CITY MANAGER REPORT

No City Manager Report was provided.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

In Person Public Comment:
Sarah Harper

[24-0314](#)

SUPPLEMENTAL ECOMMENTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

10. CITY COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmemeber Deto and Councilmember Jackson attended the School Board meeting to wish Superintendent Johnson farewell.

Mayor Pro Tem Francois attended the Santa Monica Bay Restoration District and was elected to be the Vice Chair on the governing board.

Councilmember Jackson attended a dinner to honor two Medal of Honor recipients.

Mayor Pro Tem Francois provided comments regarding an eComment.

City Manager Suja Lowenthal responded to Mayor Pro Tem Francois' comments.

11. CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no Consent Calendar items.

12. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION

There were no items pulled for separate discussion.

13. PUBLIC HEARINGS - TO COMMENCE AT 6:30 P.M.

14. MUNICIPAL MATTERS

[REPORT](#)
[24-0313](#)

ADOPTION OF AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 8.42 TO THE HERMOSA BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING THE USE OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY AND AMENDING SECTION 1.10.040 OF THE HERMOSA BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO MAKE VIOLATIONS OF CHAPTER 8.42 SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS, CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS SETTING THE FINE AMOUNTS FOR THE CITY'S LOCAL REGULATIONS ON FIREWORKS AND DETERMINE THE ABOVE IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

(City Attorney Patrick Donegan)

City Attorney Patrick Donegan provided a presentation.

Mayor Pro Tem Francois asked various questions.

City Manager City Manager provided information.

Police Chief LeBaron provided information.

Mayor Massey asked various questions.

City Attorney Donegan provided information.

Councilmember Saemann asked various questions.

City Manager Lowenthal provided information.

Councilmember Jackson asked various questions.

Police Chief LeBaron provided information.

In Person Public Comment:

Xavier Haase

Virtual Public Comment:

Kent Allen

Matt McCool

Craig Cadwallader

Anthony Higgins

The City Council continued to deliberate on this item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Detoy, seconded by Councilmember

Saemann, to consider waiving reading in full of Urgency Ordinance; declare that said title, which appears on the public agenda, shall be determined to have been read by title; and adopt Urgency Ordinance as amended with a clerical edit to section 5. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Francois, Saemann, Detoy, and Jackson

No: 1 - Mayor Massey

Absent: 0

A motion was made by Councilmember Saemann, seconded by Councilmember Jackson to adopt Resolution specifying fines for violations of Urgency Ordinance with the amount of fines to be amended as follows, \$2000 for the first violation, \$3000 for the second violation, and \$5000 for the third violation. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Saemann, and Jackson

No: 3 - Mayor Massey, Francois, and Detoy

Absent: 0

A motion was made by Councilmember Saemann, seconded by Councilmember Jackson to adopt a Resolution specifying fines for violations of Urgency Ordinance with the amended fines as follows, \$1500 for the first violation, \$3000 for the second violation, \$5000 for the third violation, and \$5000 for the social host violation in H.B.M.C. section 8.42.020 (B). The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Francois, Saemann, Detoy, and Jackson

No: 1 - Mayor Massey

Absent: 0

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Jackson requested support to bring to Council a proposal from LA Kings to activate the beach at end of the summer. This item would be presented as an informational item to the Parks, Recreation, and Community Resources Advisory Commission. This item was supported by Councilmember Saemann and Mayor Pro Tem Francois.

Mayor Massey asked various questions.

City Attorney Donegan and City Manager Lowenthal provided information.

Mayor Pro Tem Francois asked various questions.

Councilmember Saemann asked various questions.

Councilmember Deto requested support to the City covering the start up cost of approximately \$30,000 to initiate the tourism improvement district with the understanding that the Chamber of Commerce would pay back the city after tourism district is in place and assessments are collected. This item was support by Mayor Pro Tem Francois and Councilmember Jackson.

16. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FROM THE PUBLIC**17. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Francois adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.