



CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH

Parks, Recreation, and Community Resources Advisory Commission

Meeting Minutes

**November 3, 2025, 6:00 PM
Council Chambers
1315 Valley Drive
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254**

Members Present: Chairperson Barbara Ellman, Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney, Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz, Commissioner Todd Tullis, Commissioner Elka Worner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ellman called the Open Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Todd Tullis.

3. ROLL CALL

Office Assistant Amari Gilbert announced a quorum.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS—UPCOMING CITY EVENTS

Lead Special Events and Filming Coordinator Kalyn Kaemerle and Senior Recreation Supervisor Brian Sousa gave the presentation

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.a CALIFORNIA GREAT SANTA STROLL PRE-EVENT PRESENTATION (LONG-TERM AGREEMENT REQUIREMENT)

Coming forward to address the Commission at this time:

Kelly O'Brien and Jillian Zaly, California Great Santa Stroll event representatives

5.b COMMUNITY CHANUKAH CELEBRATION PRE-EVENT PRESENTATION (LONG-TERM AGREEMENT PRESENTATION)

Coming forward to address the Commission at this time:

Rabbi Dovid Lisbon, Community Chanukah Celebration event representative

5.c HERMOSA BEACH OPEN POST-EVENT PRESENTATION (LONG-TERM AGREEMENT PRESENTATION)

Coming forward to address the Commission at this time:

Mark Paaluhi, Hermosa Beach Open event representative

5.d SKECHER'S PIER TO PIER FRIENDSHIP WALK POST-EVENT PRESENTATION (LONG-TERM AGREEMENT REQUIREMENT)

Coming forward to address the Commission at this time:

Amy Trell, Skecher's Pier to Pier Friendship Walk event representative

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Barbra Ellman opened Public Comment. The following public comment was provided.

In-Person Public Comment:

- Jack Levy

7. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by: Commissioner Todd Tullis

Seconded by: Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz

To approve the consent calendar.

Ayes (5): Chairperson Barbara Ellman, Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney, Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz, Commissioner Todd Tullis, and Commissioner Elka Worner

Motion Carried

8.a ACTION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 7, 2025

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9.a APPROVAL OF IMPACT LEVEL II NEW 2026 SPECIAL EVENTS - 25-CR-078

Special Events and Filming Coordinator Austin DeWeese gave the presentation.

Coming forward to address the Commission at this time:

Carolina Garbato, Beach Collegiate National Team Training Block event representative

Mark Paaluhi, Out of System 4 Eyes Tournament event representative

Lucas Curry, Beach Tennis Tournament event representative

Moved by: Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz

Seconded by: Commissioner Elka Worner

To approve the inclusion of the Beach Collegiate National Training Block on the 2026 Special Event Calendar as proposed in the staff report.

Ayes (5): Chairperson Barbara Ellman, Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney, Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz, Commissioner Todd Tullis, and Commissioner Elka Worner

Motion Carried

Moved by: Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney

Seconded by: Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz

To approve the inclusion of the Beach Tennis Tournaments on the 2026 Special Event Calendar as proposed in the staff report. Commission requested staff work with the event producer to consider adjusting its June 26, 2026 and June 28 2026 dates to June 19 ,2026 and June 21, 2026 to avoid potential impacts from the Smackfest Co-ed 4's Volleyball Tournament scheduled for June 27, 2026.

Ayes (4): Chairperson Barbara Ellman, Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney, Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz, and Commissioner Elka Worner

Noes (1): Commissioner Todd Tullis

Motion Carried

Moved by: Commissioner Elka Worner

Seconded by: Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz

To approve the inclusion of the Out of System 4 Eyes Tournament on the 2026 Special Event Calendar as proposed in the staff report.

Ayes (5): Chairperson Barbara Ellman, Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney, Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz, Commissioner Todd Tullis, and Commissioner Elka Worner

Motion Carried

10. MATTERS FOR COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

10.a CONSIDERATION OF RENAMING THE COMMUNITY RESOURCES DEPARTMENT TO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Commission supported the renaming and provided additional input for Council to consider on the potential renaming.

10.b APPROVAL OF THE PARKS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMISSION 2026 MEETING SCHEDULE - 25-CR-085

Moved by: Commissioner Todd Tullis

Seconded by: Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz

To approve its 2026 meeting schedule as proposed in the staff report with the exception of Tuesday, April 7, 2026 and Monday, November 2, 2026. Commission requested staff return to the Commission with alternate dates for such months to avoid conflicting with the Hermosa Beach School District's scheduled spring break in April and to allow for additional agenda review time in November.

Ayes (5): Chairperson Barbara Ellman, Vice Chairperson Commissioner Thomas Moroney, Vice Chairperson Traci Horowitz, Commissioner Todd Tullis, and Commissioner Elka Worner

Motion Carried

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Senior Recreation Supervisor Brian Sousa gave the presentation.

Commissioner Tullis, with support from Commissioner Worner, requested staff return with an informational item on the feasibility of adding a commissioner to the implementation team for the City's new recreation management software, Rec Technologies Inc.

12. COMMUNITY RESOURCES DIRECTOR REPORT

Senior Recreation Supervisor Brian Sousa gave the presentation.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.