

March 28, 2026

Honorable Mayor Mike Detoy and Members of the City Council
City of Hermosa Beach
1315 Valley Drive
Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

Re: Formal Notice of Potential Brown Act Violation — City Council Meeting of March 24, 2026

Dear Honorable Mayor Detoy and Members of the City Council:

This letter serves as a formal notice regarding a potential violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code §§ 54950 *et seq.*) that occurred during the City Council regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 24, 2026. I respectfully bring this matter to your attention so that it may be promptly addressed and corrected in accordance with applicable law.

Description of the Violation

During the March 24, 2026 regular meeting, the City Council discussed and/or took action regarding pickleball court fees. This matter was not listed as an item on the published agenda for that meeting, and no opportunity for public comment on this matter was provided to members of the public. This omission raises serious concerns under the Brown Act's agenda and public participation requirements.

In light of the foregoing, I respectfully request that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Formally acknowledge the Brown Act violation that occurred at the March 24, 2026 regular meeting with respect to the discussion and/or action taken on pickleball court fees.
2. Declare null and void any action taken regarding pickleball court fees at the March 24, 2026 meeting, pursuant to Government Code § 54960.1.
3. If the City Council wishes to address pickleball court fees, properly agendize the item for a future regular meeting with adequate notice and a full opportunity for public comment, as required by law and enter this letter into the public record.

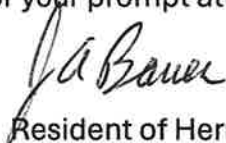
Cure and Correct Notice

This letter also serves as a formal demand to cure or correct the action taken in violation of the Brown Act, pursuant to Government Code § 54960.1.

I sincerely hope that this matter can be resolved promptly and cooperatively, and that future City Council meetings will fully comply with the requirements of the Brown Act. Transparency and public participation are the cornerstones of effective local governance, and I trust that the City Council shares the commitment to preserving public trust in the process.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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