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INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE COST EVALUATION AND STAFFING MODELS TO INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY PRESENCE ON THE STRAND, BEACH, AND PARKS - 26-PD- 007	tonyhiggins	<p>I fully support offloading the Hbpd but i hope will have time to for more speeding enforcement busy residential collector roads like Ardmore, Prospect, Valley dr, 27th and Gould adjacent to Valley Park where not a single speeding ticket has bern issued in over two years according to a recent public records request.</p> <p>For details tap/click on the above pdf.</p> <p>thank you for considering,            tonyhiggins</p>	For	

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PUBLIC COMMENT	tonyhiggins	<p>Dear Council,</p> <p>Something you may not have known:</p> <p>California's use of the 85th percentile rule has historically led to a phenomenon known as "speed creep," where speed limits gradually increase over time.</p> <p>Under the traditional application of this rule, local governments were often forced to raise speed limits to match the speed at which 85% of drivers were already traveling to maintain legal enforcement. This created a cycle: as the posted limit rose, drivers often drove even faster, leading to a higher 85th percentile in the next mandatory 7- to 14-year survey, which then required another limit.</p> <p>You can do something about that [preemptively] by reducing the speed limit from 25 to 20mph on busy RESIDENTIAL collector roads like prospect, 27th and Gould adjacent to Valley Park where legitimate safety concerns meet the tests required by AB 43.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration, tonyhiggins</p>	No Position	

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CITY COUNCIL DOWNTOWN LIGHTING AND BEAUTIFICATION SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT ON EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 20252026 BEAUTIFICATION FUNDING - 26-PW- 013	Laura Pena	<p>Dear Mayor, Council Members, and Staff - I am writing to respectfully request a continuance of this item regarding the Downtown Lighting and Beautification Subcommittees recommendation for the \$100,000 beautification funding allocation.</p> <p>Beautification is important, and I appreciate the effort that has gone into developing a proposal. However, before the City takes final action, I believe there should be an opportunity for broader feedback from residents, downtown businesses, and property owners. These funds were intended to support the downtown commercial district, and additional outreach would help ensure the expenditure plan reflects community priorities and the Citys broader economic development goals.</p> <p>I also believe the City should consider whether some or all of these funds could support a partnership in which businesses work with the Chamber of Commerce to explore collaborating with the City on a string lighting palm trees and/or hanging flower basket project. Improvements like these could help create a stronger sense of place, beautify the downtown, and support a more welcoming and vibrant business district.</p> <p>A continuance would not stop the work. It would simply provide time for a more transparent and inclusive review of the recommendations and allow stakeholders to weigh in on whether the current proposal is the best use of these funds.</p> <p>For these reasons, I respectfully ask the City Council to continue this item to a future meeting and invite additional public and business feedback before approving the expenditure plan.</p> <p>As always, I appreciate your consideration.            Laura Pena</p>	No Position	

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP) 623 REGARDING MUNICIPAL PIER STRUCTURAL INSPECTION AND EVALUATION, REPAIR, AND REQUEST FOR DIRECTION REGARDING POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT	Tom Horton	On behalf of The South Bay Boardrider's Club, a 501c3 non-profit founded in 2009 by 4 Hermosa Beach locals, please postpone the relocation of the plaques until a more suitable location is identified, and we request that staff include Surfer Walk of Fame inductees in the decision making process for a new location. We are not aware of any who find the railing an acceptable new location for these plaques honoring our local legends. Thank you for your consideration.	Against	
INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE COST EVALUATION AND STAFFING MODELS TO INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY PRESENCE ON THE STRAND, BEACH, AND PARKS - 26-PD-007	Vincent Busam	Looking at ways to make Hermosa safer, a LOT of attention recently has been focused on e-bikes. What has been missed is motor vehicle safety, where many people have been killed in collisions in and around our city the past few years, including two of our local students. If we're ready to fund increased e-bike enforcement, we should also be ready to proportionally fund improvements to motor vehicle safety. This could come in the form of increased patrolling, but a better way would be to collaborate with our neighboring beach cities and CalTrans on improving safety on our shared roads - PCH & Aviation, by physically modifying the streets to discourage dangerous driving.	No Position	

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KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR-015	Charlene Penna	<p>Hello City Council,</p> <p>I am a Hermosa Beach resident of 37 years and an avid pickleball player. I mostly play at a private club 30 minutes away, paying for memberships in other cities, because even with the four Kelly Courts after renovation, local access is very limited. Playing locally would allow me to stay active and connect with neighbors in my own community.</p> <p>I understand some neighbors are concerned about noise, and I hope the staffs recommendation to designate Courts 1 and 2 for reservation and open walk-on play, Courts 3 and 4 for walk-on only, along with Option 2 hours (9 a.m.9 p.m. daily), can balance everyones needs.</p> <p>I also encourage structured programming like leagues and round robins to make the courts welcoming for all residents.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	For	

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MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW 2025-26 - 26-AS-023	mc guerry	<p>I oppose discontinuing funding for the BCT 109. I use it to get to other places in the South Bay. Instead, you should increase funding for it and then increase its frequency. This would be a much better use of funds than more pickleball courts.</p>	Against	

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM STATUS REPORT AS OF MARCH 12, 2026 - 26-PW-015	mc guerry	I urge you to work on getting CIP 143 moving again. PCH is a dangerous street for everyone who uses it and needs the improvement in mobility, accessibility, and safety that this project will bring.	No Position	
MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW 2025-26 - 26-AS-023	Tyron Gunn	<p>On behalf of Beach Cities Transit, our agency values its partnership with the City of Hermosa Beach. The services we provide are designed to support mobility, reduce congestion, and enhance regional connectivity for residents, workers, and visitors. We are proud to serve Hermosa Beach with Line 109 and our Dial-a-Ride program and hope to continue this partnership into the future.</p> <p>We understand the City's interest in obtaining city-specific ridership data. Hermosa Beach staff amended our FY 2025-26 agreement to require the reporting of Metro's "Daily A102" report, which details daily Metro TAP card transactions. We were happy to share this report; however, the report is managed by Metro and BCT does not control the completeness of the data. This report also does not capture all riders, only those paying fare via a Metro TAP card.</p> <p>To address this need for stop-level data, we recently asked our bus operators to begin manually counting activity at each bus stop. Between November 1, 2025 and March 10, 2026 approximately 910 riders boarded Line 109 within Hermosa Beach and approximately 1,130 riders disembarked within Hermosa Beach. This new data was made available to Hermosa Beach staff during a meeting on March 19, 2026.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration,  Tyron Gunn City of Redondo Beach, Transit Manager</p>	No Position	

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PUBLIC COMMENT	tonyhiggins	<p data-bbox="470 191 688 224">Dear City Council,</p> <p data-bbox="470 272 1656 423">PLAN Hermosa prioritizes street safety and traffic calming to moderate vehicle speeds. However, despite these goals, a recent HBPD report reveals that the city hasnt issued a single speeding ticket on busy residential collector roads like Prospect, Ardmore, Gould, 27th Street, or Manhattan Avenue in over two years.</p> <p data-bbox="470 475 1598 586">While the City Council quickly reduced speed limits to 20 mph on Pier and Hermosa Avenues downtown, they refuse to publicly consider similar reductions for these RESIDENTIAL streetseven those that clearly qualify.</p> <p data-bbox="470 638 1640 748">Incumbents Jackson, Saemann, and Francois, all up for re-election this November, owe the public an explanation for this inconsistency. If they won't prioritize the safety of our residential neighborhoods, its time to elect leaders who will.</p>	No Position	

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MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW 2025-26 - 26-AS-023	Alex Fineman	<p>I urge the City to continue funding BCT 109. As a former Hermosa Beach resident and current Redondo Beach resident, I've been using BCT for over a decade and lately, using BCT 109 as a means to visit downtown Hermosa Beach without having to worry about parking. For a City that struggles with meeting its parking demand, BCT should be seen as part of the solution to the problem, not a minor line item to be deleted. Furthermore, BCT 109 now provides a one-seat ride from Hermosa Beach to the new LAX people mover, and should be promoted to its residents as an easy, affordable way to reach the airport. The City should take the opportunity to invest in BCT and improve its service, not defund it.</p>	No Position	

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KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015	Yu-Shen Ng	<p>I'm a resident of Hermosa Beach. I live on 11th street, within 1 block of the Kelly Courts. I encourage the Council to open the courts for the maximum time possible: Option 2. Twice a week, I already drive too far (10 to 20 minutes away) to find courts that are already too busy (wait times of 10-15 minutes for every 15 minutes of play). There just aren't enough courts in the area, even with recent additions of new courts in Redondo Beach (at Alta Vista) and upcoming additions in Torrance (at Wilson Park). Please help.</p> <p>I particularly recommend drop-in open play. It's more community-oriented and enables greater utility for all. All 4 courts should allocate significant time for drop-in open play; if only 2 courts are available for drop-in open play, there won't be a critical mass of players. Thanks!</p>	For	

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<p>KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015</p>	<p>Kimberly Noble</p>	<p>Im a Hermosa Beach resident of 12 years, and Im writing to express my strong support for expanding access to the Kelly Pickleball Courts.</p> <p>Specifically, I urge you to adopt Option B and extend court hours to 9am9pm daily. This decision will best meet the needs of our community today. While I appreciate the planned expansion from two to four courts, demand for pickleball locally is high and continues to grow rapidly, Four courts is still not many, and access will remain constrained without expanded hours.</p> <p>Pickleball has become a positive, healthy, and social outlet for all ages, and yet, current availability doesn't come close to meeting demand. Expanding hours is a practical and immediate way to better serve a large and active group of residents while also helping to reduce demand during peak times.</p> <p>While I understand there have been concerns raised by nearby neighbors, its important to recognize that these courts are located within a public park, where recreational activity and associated noise are to be expected. At present, the limitations appear to place disproportionate weight on a relatively small number of resident complaints, while restricting access for a much broader segment of the community.</p> <p>Expanding court availability to 9am9pm will ensures more equitable access and promotes another avenue for healthy activity and social connection in our little beach town.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for supporting a solution that better reflects the needs of the community.</p>	<p>For</p>	

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CITY COUNCIL DOWNTOWN LIGHTING AND BEAUTIFICATION SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT ON EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 20252026 BEAUTIFICATION FUNDING - 26-PW-013	Jeff Raedy	<p>Please consider removing this item from this meetings consent calendar and moving to a later date. I have no issue with the particular beautification projects, per se, but I believe there are downtown business owners who would like more time to coordinate and provide feedback on these projects or others they may prefer for the same budget. Continuation to a future agenda would allow them this coordination time.</p>	No Position	

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<p>KELLY COURTS  PICKLEBALL  COURTS POLICY  REVISIONS - 26-PR-  015</p>	<p>Amy Huang</p>	<p>Im a Hermosa Beach resident of 8 years, and Im writing to express my strong support for expanding access to the Kelly Pickleball Courts.</p> <p>Specifically, I urge you to adopt Option B and extend court hours to 9am9pm daily. This decision will best meet the needs of our community today. While I appreciate the planned expansion from two to four courts, demand for pickleball locally is high and continues to grow rapidly, Four courts is still not many, and access will remain constrained without expanded hours.</p> <p>Pickleball has become a positive, healthy, and social outlet for all ages, and yet, current availability doesn't come close to meeting demand. Expanding hours is a practical and immediate way to better serve a large and active group of residents while also helping to reduce demand during peak times.</p> <p>While I understand there have been concerns raised by nearby neighbors, its important to recognize that these courts are located within a public park, where recreational activity and associated noise are to be expected. At present, the limitations appear to place disproportionate weight on a relatively small number of resident complaints, while restricting access for a much broader segment of the community.</p> <p>Expanding court availability to 9am9pm will ensures more equitable access and promotes another avenue for healthy activity and social connection in our little beach town.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and for supporting a solution that better reflects the needs of the community.</p>	<p>-</p>	

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PUBLIC COMMENT	Robert Aronoff	The review of the budget later this evening shows the wisdom of getting rid of Suja Lowenthal as the City Manager. It is apparent that the shortfall has been caused by her: Having unnecessary expenses in the city managers office, Hiring an assistant city manager, Having unreasonably delayed the completion of the Clark Building renovation, and Hiring a search firm to replace her.	Against	

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INFORMATIONAL REPORT ON THE COST EVALUATION AND STAFFING MODELS TO INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY PRESENCE ON THE STRAND, BEACH, AND PARKS - 26-PD-007	Robert Aronoff	<p>More enforcement is necessary. I like Option 1.</p> <p>I live on the The Strand and witness first hand the constant and voluminous e-bike violations. This past Saturday I observed HBPD has officers doing e-bike enforcement at 2nd and Strand. The workd got out very quickly and just the fact that enforcement was in progress cut in my estimate 90% of the violations. The violators suddenly weren't there. Enforcement is effective.</p>	For	
MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW 2025-26 - 26-AS-023	Robert Aronoff	<p>Please make public and examine what litigation is causing you to increase the budget by \$200,000 (almost 50%) for the City Attorney. Hermosa's legal costs for both attorneys and payments on legal cases is higher than in the other beach cities. This is the time to examine this more closely and not just pass over it as consent item.</p>	No Position	

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<p>KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015</p>	<p>Mary Stevens</p>	<p>I am a Hermosa resident of 15 years and am writing to support Option 1, to add Sunday hours for pickleball. I understand the importance of being thoughtful to neighbors as well as the strong demand for play. The courts are consistently full and difficult to reserve, leading to locals often choosing out-of-town options at high prices. It is also clear that noise is a real consideration for nearby residents and that while living near a park does not guarantee silence, it should expect reasonable sound mitigation.</p> <p>Option 1 is a balanced starting point, adding Sunday 9am-4pm hours to the current schedule. It increases access while still maintaining reasonable limits for the surrounding neighborhood.</p> <p>Recommended additional for a critical next step - Fund a professional sound study (within several months of reopening) that measures the actual impacts (sound levels, duration, frequency) nearby. And then use this data to evaluate the possibility of expanding to Option 2 (9am-9pm daily).</p> <p>A sound study would support recreation and community wellness while basing future decisions on real data, not assumptions. This demonstrates a thoughtful balance between public access and neighborhood quality of life.</p> <p>Pickleball is an important part of Hermosa's community life and a phased, evidence-based approach would allow the city to move forward responsibly. Thank you for your consideration!</p>	<p>For</p>	

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<p>KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015</p>	<p>Anna Garcia</p>	<p>Im a 11-year Hermosa Beach resident, a pickleball player, and I live near the courts. Im writing to strongly support expanding court hours.</p> <p>Option 2 (9 a.m. 9 p.m. daily) is the most ideal and truly reflects the level of demand. The courts are consistently full.</p> <p>Even living nearby, Ive only been able to reserve a court twice in the past two years. Residents pay a \$20 annual membership, yet Parks and Recreation is upfront with all applicants that reservations are very difficult and not guaranteed. Its frustrating to be able to walk to the courts, but still have to drive 1520 minutes to find a place to play.</p> <p>At the same time, I understand the concerns around noise. Living near Clark Field means living with activityits part of a shared community space. The goal should be balance.</p> <p>I also recognize that pickleball courts can be contentious. Thats exactly why its important for the City to rely on facts. A professional sound study within 120 days of reopening will help guide future decisions and confirm whether the court renovations and mitigation efforts are working.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p>	<p>For</p>	
<p>PUBLIC COMMENT</p>	<p>mc guerry</p>	<p>Looks like Robert Aronoff is pulling from Trump's playback by blaming the failures of the current City Manager and council on the previous City Manager. None of his points make sense, but I am sure he will try to blame her for everything that goes wrong for years to come.</p>	<p>No Position</p>	

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KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015	Linda Trinh	<p>Dear Council Members, Im a Hermosa Beach resident and pickleball player of two years. Im writing to ask if the city would consider expanding court availability to include some evening and weekend hours. Specifically expand evening hours, daily 9am to 9pm would be great.</p> <p>I used to be able to catch a Friday game when my schedule allowed, but honestly, even then it was really hard to get a court Fridays fill up fast! Now that my work schedule has changed to standard MondayFriday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., getting out there during the day just isnt an option anymore. Id love to be able to play a few evenings after work or on the weekends. Its honestly one of my favorite ways to decompress, get some exercise, and hang out with people in the community.</p> <p>I really appreciate everything the city does for its residents, and I hope this is something the Council can look into. Thanks so much for your time!</p>	No Position	

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KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015	Monica Beeferman	<p>I am writing to express my support for option 2 (courts open daily from 9am to 9pm).</p> <p>I have been a resident of Hermosa Beach for almost 7 years. I moved here right after college and fell in love with the community, especially the well maintained and accessible public spaces.</p> <p>As someone who works full time, evenings and weekends are the only times I can benefit from the city resources, such as the pickleball courts. Opening the courts from 9am-9pm daily will make them much more accessible to all residents and limit the competition associated with reserving a court currently.</p> <p>I understand that pickleball can be noisy, but so are all of the other activities that take place at a public park. There is no reason this sport should be limited any differently.</p>	For	

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MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW 2025-26 - 26-AS-023	Laura Pena	<p>Dear Mayor, Council Members, and Staff -</p> <p>I appreciate the effort to address current needs, but I remain concerned that the City is continuing to rely on one time funds to balance a budget that staff describes as facing ongoing structural deficits.</p> <p>I respectfully ask Council to focus on the longer term picture before approving the full package as presented. The five year forecast shows expenditures rising well above revenues by FY 203031. What is the specific plan to close that gap in a sustainable way, rather than continuing to rely on one-time solutions?</p> <p>Relatedly, before the estimated remaining unspent FY 202425 funds are assigned, I would appreciate clarity on what legal or policy constraints apply to those dollars and whether any portion can be leveraged in a way that permanently reduces the City's structural deficit, rather than simply backfilling another year.</p> <p>QUESTIONS:</p> <p>1. I also have questions about the proposed increase to Community Development contract services. If the goal is to improve plan review capacity, permit processing, and state reporting, how will success be measured? What are the current turnaround times, what improvement is expected, and when will Council and the public see performance data showing whether this added spending is actually producing faster and more reliable service?</p> <p>I also encourage Council to consider an expedited review pathway, where legally appropriate, for revenue generating projects and permits that can strengthen the tax base, support local business activity, and improve investment confidence. In a period of structural deficits, the City should be looking not only at cost control, but also at how to responsibly accelerate projects that produce</p>	No Position	

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<p>KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015</p>	<p>Bobby Oh</p>	<p>Im a long-time Hermosa Beach resident and live a few houses from Clark Field, so I hear park activity regularly and also understand how noise can impact neighbors.</p> <p>I strongly support expanding hours, and I think Option 2 (9 a.m. 9 p.m. daily) is the most ideal since the courts are consistently full. That said, I understand why starting with Option 1 makes sense right now.</p> <p>Pickleball brings real health and community benefits, and the City has already invested in these courtsit makes sense to fully use them. In a compact, busy city like Hermosa, some level of sound is part of living near parkslike the regular sounds from little league at Clark Fieldwhile still being respectful of those nearby.</p> <p>The demand is there, the investment is thereits time to make the most of these courts for the community.</p>	<p>For</p>	

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KELLY COURTS PICKLEBALL COURTS POLICY REVISIONS - 26-PR- 015	Mary Young	I am a 36-year resident of Hermosa Beach, and have truly valued the city's emphasis on health, outdoor activity, and sports. I am an avid pickleball player but often have to go to neighboring cities to play due to court shortage or hours. While we are excited about the new courts, the limited hours make it difficult for working people or students to play. I strongly support expanding hours and continuing the reservation system at least in the mornings. Other cities have expanded access and hours, and I trust that Hermosa will embrace this sport that has come to mean so much to so many.		