

**CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 24-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA  
BEACH APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, THE CITY OF HERMOSA  
BEACH, THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, AND THE CITY OF  
REDONDO BEACH FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSTRUCTION OF  
THE BEACH CITIES GREEN STREETS PROJECT FOR THE BEACH  
CITIES WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUP**

**WHEREAS**, the cities of Hermosa Beach, Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District formed the Beach Cities Group (BCG) to develop an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) to comply with the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Regional Board) 2012 NPDES Permit and with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria (SMBBB) TMDL and Santa Monica Bay Toxics TMDL;

**WHEREAS**, the Beach Cities EWMP was submitted to the Regional Board on February 9, 2016 and was approved by the Executive Officer of the Regional Board and an update to the EWMP was approved in 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the Hermosa Avenue Green Street Project was identified in the EWMP as one of the projects necessary to help achieve the water quality objectives for the watershed as required by the NPDES Permit;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Torrance applied for and was successful in winning a Proposition 12 Santa Monica Bay Restoration Grant in the amount of two million dollars from the Coastal Conservancy to help fund design and construction of green streets within the cities of the BCG;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Torrance in partnership with the other parties submitted a successful funding application to the Safe, Clean Water Regional Infrastructure Program and has been awarded funding (SCW Regional Funds) of \$5,366,953 for the construction of the Beach Cities Green Streets Project; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2020 the BCG agencies entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to fund design and engineering of the Beach Cities Green Streets Project; and

**WHEREAS**, a MOU is required between the cities to establish cost sharing and other proportional responsibilities for constructing the project, with the City of Torrance serving as lead agency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor is authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Torrance, the City of Hermosa Beach, the City of Manhattan Beach and the City of Redondo Beach for Implementation of the Beach Cities Green Streets Project for the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group.

**SECTION 2. Environmental Review** Approval of the MOU and removal 5,115 linear feet of gutters in the project area and replacement with permeable concrete gutters is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. This section exempt, among other things, the maintenance or minor alteration of existing public facilities with no expansion of existing use, The gutters will remain the gutters, except with the new permeable concrete which is the environmentally preferable.

Further this action is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061 (b)(3) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. This project will enhance and protect the environment via the installation of a more environmentally conscious permeable gutter in certain areas of the City.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution takes effect immediately and that the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution; shall cause the same to be entered among the original resolutions of said City; and shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minutes of the meeting at which time same is passed and adopted.

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** on this 12th day of November, 2024

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Dean Francois

**PRESIDENT** of the City Council and **MAYOR** of the City of Hermosa Beach, CA

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Myra Maravilla  
City Clerk

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Patrick Donegan  
City Attorney