



Hermosa Beach Virtual Council Retreat Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 10, 2020

8:00 A.M.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

City Council

Mary Campbell, Mayor

Justin Massey, Mayor Pro Tem

Stacy Armato, Councilmember

Michael Detoy, Councilmember

Hany Fangary, Councilmember

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Regular Meeting of the City of Hermosa Beach met via a virtual meeting held pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom March 17, 2020 on the above date. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Campbell at 8:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led Mayor Campbell

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Armato, Detoy, Fangary, Mayor Pro Tem Massey, and Mayor Campbell

Absent: None

IV. WELCOME REMARKS

City Manager Suja Lowenthal welcomed all participants, provided opening remarks, and updated the group about the absence of meeting facilitator Lilly Lapenna.

(Complete audio and video is available upon request at the City Clerk's office or can be accessed by clicking the following link. [10-10-20 City Council Retreat](#))

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public provided public comment.

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VI. PLAN HERMOSA

City Manager Suja Lowenthal began by setting the table for conversation around Plan Hermosa, and the format for dialog between city staff and Council on current goals and future goals.

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VII. FINANCIAL UPDATE: COVID-19 REPORT

Finance Director Viki Copeland provided a summary of the status of the budget and shared some of the good news regarding its overall standing.

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VIII. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

City Council provided feedback to staff and asked clarifying questions to get additional clarity on current and future goals.

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IX. MOVEMENT EXERCISE

Due to Lilly Lapenna absence this portion of the meeting was canceled.

X. NEW/BETTER NORMAL

City Manager Suja Lowenthal described areas where operations, communications, and business processes are evolving due to COVID-19, and the need to establish a new and better normal. She also shared each of the Councilmembers survey responses and desired focus related to Hermosa Plan and any aspirations for overall improvement of Hermosa Beach. Councilmembers then engaged in a robust conversation with each

department, asking clarifying questions in order to build on specific project knowledge and department vision for the future.

Mayor Campbell then opened up a second round of public comments.

No public comment was provided.

Councilmembers thanked staff for all their efforts in attending the retreat and providing a thorough presentation.

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XI. MINDFULNESS EXERCISE

Due to Lily Lapenna absence this portion of the meeting was canceled

XII. IMPROVING PROCESSIES

Due to Lily Lapenna absence this portion of the meeting was canceled

XIII. CLOSING REMARKS

City Manager Lowenthal provided closing remarks and thank staff and Councilmembers for all the hard work and input provided, allowing the retreat to be a success.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Campbell adjourned the City Council meeting to Tuesday October 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Meeting ended at 12:03 p.m.

Eduardo Sarmiento, City Clerk