

Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
Position: Neutral
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Agenda Item:

4. 19-0004 Resolution No. 19-0001 Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Granicus Inc. to Extend the Term for Legislative and Broadcast Services in the Amount of \$41,020.87 (City Clerk Tamura). ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-0001

Comment:

The e-comment portion of Granicus needs to be substantially increased beyond 500 characters. That is less than a letter to the editor. If e-comments is your preferred written communication vehicle (and not citycouncil@citymb.info), you should allow space for a cogent argument. Currently more editing time is needed than the original response. Based on historical response, such a change would not take more space or reading time. Also, video record needs to download easier--takes too long.

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 7**

**Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
Position: Neutral
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Agenda Item:

7. 19-0046 Updated Facility and Parks Reservation Policy and Fees (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). APPROVE

Comment:

Not certain why a nonprofit needs a business license in order to reserve. Also, if the lists of organizations is supposed to suggest a ranked priority, then it should say that this is a ranked priority. In other situations, the city has said something is a "priority" without treating the event as having any particular primacy (e.g., "a new swimming pool is a priority").

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 12**

**Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
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Agenda Item:

**12. 19-0036 2018 Pavement Management Program Final Report (Public Works Director Katsouleas).
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Comment:

This is a great report that begs to be distilled down to salient points, tables and charts that are accessible and understood by the average resident. A resident wants to be quickly able to know how their street(s) are currently ranked by the city (so to contest if disagreed), and to know when and how those streets are next scheduled for treatment. Note that streets can be improved by more than gas taxes. Also, better practice to view all transportation-related money and programs together.

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 13**

**Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
Position: Oppose
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Agenda Item:

13. 19-0024 Introduction of Ordinance Nos. 19-0001 and 19-0002 Amending the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code and Local Coastal Program to Allow Short-Term Rentals that Meet Certain Zoning Requirements and Performance Standards On a Limited Basis; and Consider Establishing Related Fees (Community Development Director McIntosh). a) CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING b) INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NOS. 19-0001 AND 19-0002 c) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-0011 ESTABLISHING FEES

Comment:

Vehemently opposed. Agree 100% w/M. Burton letter. I don't want transients in my neighborhood. You have enough resources for adequate enforcement (you just choose not to). Does not have to be 100%. That is no basis to allow S-T rentals. Current operators are not "forced underground"--they are in violation of community norms. Any cited "advantages" or needs are purely conjecture, anecdotal, unproven and unquantified. Find attached an excerpt from my own e-mail previously sent to friends.

(see attachment)

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 13**

Submitted by: Jim Quilliam

Position: Oppose

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Agenda Item:

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Comment:

Previous short term rental (STR) confirms negative impact to MB - Intrusion of MB life & values, benefits small % and impacts a greater % negatively. Negative impacts outweigh city revenue. Potential for "hotel strips" in residential neighborhoods. Associated cost structure (staff, police, enforcement, roads, housing, emergency response) has been overlooked. No evidence associated costs cover increased tax revenue (STR revenue pirated from other Tax based lodging = no net benefit). J Quilliam

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 13**

**Submitted by: Allen Fulmer
Position: Oppose
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Comment:

Strongly oppose. No commercial hotel activity in residentially zoned neighborhoods! If I wanted to live in a hotel environment, I would have moved into one. Instead, I bought a MB home for family oriented, small town residential feel. Proposed fees will never cover the full costs of this ill advised idea. Where is the quantification of the costs of the crime, noise, trash, drinking, this will bring into residential areas? Who investigated the problems infesting communities who have done this?

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 14**

**Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
Position: Neutral
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Agenda Item:

14. 19-0027 Review and Consideration to Approve a 7-Year Franchise Agreement for Integrated Solid Waste Management Services (Public Works Katsouleas). a) DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION b) CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 19-0007

Comment:

Interesting that bids were rec'd in early Dec., but resident views were not promoted until last week (staff report with the identified outreach came out prior to the actual ads and NextDoor posting). Don't see much of the Open City Hall resident comments in the final proposals. Don't like where the City requires direct cash pmts to the City from the vendor--bad transparency. Prefer plain old trash service in lieu of add-on's. Need plastic bag recycling in ALL grocery stores--I shop only at TJs.

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 14**

**Submitted by: Ben Burkhalter
Position: Neutral
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Agenda Item:

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Comment:

Consideration should be given to unique conditions in the Sand Section and El Porto which are not easily quantified or compared. Vehicular access of any kind is far from easy under the best of circumstances and particularly so given the nearly-constant level of construction activities. And, "automated" pickup is wishful thinking. Drivers must exit the truck and manually position the bins. All in all, the WM drivers do a very great job under challenging conditions

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 18**

**Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
Position: Oppose
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Agenda Item:

18. 19-0063 Additional Information Regarding South Bay Cities Council of Governments Request to Send a Letter Opposing Measure A Steering Committee Recommendations (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Comment:

Until the high need locations can improve their park acreage to 3 acres per 1,000 residents, we have no business opposing this measure. We will be getting money from other Measure A programs, and have the staffing other cities do not that gives us an advantage for competitive bidding for the remaining portion. A good way to show our concerns for income disparity. It would be bad visuals if nothing else.

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item No. 19**

**Submitted by: Gary Osterhout
Position: Oppose
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Agenda Item:

19. 19-0025 Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (Finance Director Charelian). RECEIVE AND FILE

Comment:

it is misleading to say an unmodified opinion is the "best" opinion, when it is merely an opinion received by about 98% of audited entities. It's only significant in its absence. So citing to "best" or being "pleased" with the result--especially for a well-funded Finance Department--is unbecoming grandstanding. Let's make a deal--you guys back off this goal-line dancing, and I won't make much of the "material weakness" that I know is also not all that significant in the grand scheme of things.

**City Council Meeting, January 15, 2019
Public Comments, Agenda Item Section D**

Submitted by: Robert Draves

Position: Neutral

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D. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

Comment:

Please do not raise the trash fees (per page 4 HF & H report) by 70% (Waste Resources) or 114% (Athens Services). Waste Management is only(!!) 47%. These are outrageous increases. The 47% WM fee is already (no adjective available in English language to properly use here to describe this figure). Please have mercy on your citizens. Thank you.