Submitted by: Gary Osterhout

Position: Oppose

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Agenda Item:

3. 19-0273 City Council Assignments (City Clerk Tamura). APPROVE

Comment:

I see no reason there s/b a council rep to the Chamber, Co-ord Council or Downtown BID. Could be served by CM or Comm. Dev. Dir (as is done in other towns), w/o appearance of undue influence over council. Need a citizen's Finance or Budget Committee--the current finance subcommittee structure is not providing what the city needs in respect to objective, long-term decision-making and responsible presentation of budget information to the community.

Submitted by: Gary Osterhout

Position: Neutral

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Agenda Item:

7. 19-0263 Update on Grant Application to Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for the Manhattan Beach Advanced Traffic Signal (MBATS) System (Public Works Director Katsouleas). RECEIVE AND FILE

Comment:

Also be nice to synchronize signals for regular traffic. Rosecrans signalling is terrible, especially going east (go thru Sepulveda, stop at Parkview, then Marriott Way, etc.

No reason Highland/Rosecrans intersection signal backs up traffic going south in the evenings (past Chevron), while no delays at all on Rosecrans east/west access thru intersection. Contributes to cut-through traffic on Ocean, etc. Exacerbated by instantaneous Fishbar crosswalk signal, where left turn lane is then missed

Submitted by: Gary Osterhout

Position: Neutral

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Agenda Item:

10. 19-0142 Conduct Public Hearing Adopting Resolution Nos. 19-0051 and 19-0052 Regarding Renewal of Downtown Business Improvement District (BID) for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Including Authorization to Collect Assessments; Ratification of the District Advisory Board; Authorization to Enter Into an Agreement with the Downtown Manhattan Beach Business and Professional Association; and Authorization to Disburse Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Assessments Collected (Finance Director Charelian). a) CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING b) ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 19-0051 AND 19-0052 c) RATIFY BOARD

Comment:

Farmers Mkt is reported discretely on tax returns-why not in budget? Where's F.M. rent exp? P. 9G-I'm on MBRA Board--never has BID "worked closely withh MBRA" (never even reached out). Opposed to 4 weeks bagging-esp. w/all the other parking benefits rec'd by Downtown/employees, in lots and adjacent. If more lighting/landscaping needed, should determine funding source for product prior to design--and pay-in 100% of their lighting/landscaping district's cost to City instead of charit. donations.

Submitted by: Gary Osterhout

Position: Neutral

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Agenda Item:

13. 19-0239 City Hall Lobby Public Art Project, Approval of Semifinalists (Parks and Recreation Director Mark Leyman). a) APPROVE b) APPROPRIATE FUNDS

Comment:

I like Zoccola for this space. I could easily discard the rest.

Submitted by: Gary Osterhout

Position: Neutral

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Agenda Item:

14. 19-0047 Approval and Disbursement of Funds from the Public Art Trust Fund for the Installation of Eight Murals in Manhattan Beach (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). a) APPROVE b) DISBURSE FUNDS

Comment:

Anything to brighten-up the blah, but I'm tired of repeated beach themes, esp. when the actual item is steps away (exception for skatepark). Abstract color just to add color is a wasted opp'ty. I like Garel (1st slide only, not 2nd); Montague; Kelly.