

City Council Regular Meeting - May 19, 2020

Meeting Time: 05-19-20 18:00

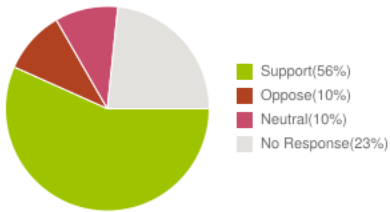
eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
City Council Regular Meeting - May 19, 2020	05-19-20 18:00	28	60	34	6	6

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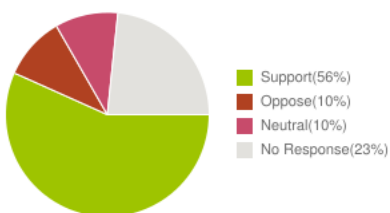
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BELOW ARE THE AGENDA ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED. THE RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION IS LISTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TITLE OF EACH ITEM IN BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS.	2	0	0	0
C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES	1	0	0	0
D. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)	4	1	1	0
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1. 20-0180 Consider Ratification of One Replacement Police Vehicle Purchase from Wondries Fleet Group in the Amount of \$44,500.24 and Appropriate \$64,131.55 from Fund Balance (Finance Director Charelian). a) APPROVE RATIFICATION b) APPROPRIATE FUNDS	1	1	0	0
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4. 20-0187 Consider Adopting a Resolution Approving Participation in the Los Angeles Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program by Entering Into a Three-Year Participating City Cooperation Agreement with the County of Los Angeles (Public Works Director Katsouleas). ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-0056	1	0	0	1
5. 20-0189 Consider Waiving Formal Bidding per Manhattan Beach Municipal Code Section 2.36.140 and Adopting a Resolution Approving an Agreement with DDL Traffic, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of the Emergency Vehicle Preemption System (Phase II) for \$148,903; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement; and Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Additional Work, if Necessary, for up to \$9,000 (Public Works Director Katsouleas). a) WAIVE FORMAL BIDDING b) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-0057 APPROVING AN AGREEMENT	1	1	0	0
7. City Council to Consider Additional Measures to Address COVID-19.	13	8	1	0
N. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS	1	1	0	0
a) Discussion of Sending a Letter to Governor Newsom and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Regarding Re-Opening of Manhattan Beach Businesses. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION	33	21	4	3
b) Consider Additional Measures.	1	1	0	0

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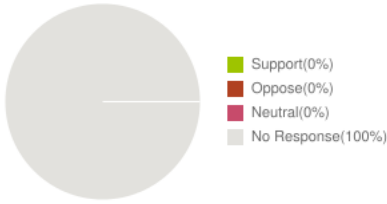
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Overall Sentiment



Mr L.G.

Location:

Submitted At: 12:49am 05-19-20

In considering opening of businesses in MB - I believe we should not open anything more than recommended by LA county (if we are even allowed). The travel of people across cities and other counties can adversely affect the hard sought containment of corona virus. WE WILL NEED A STRONG ENFORCEMENT PLAN - CLEAR, HIGHLY ADVERTISED, IN PLACE, AND WORKING as the weather gets nicer and people begin to visit our city.

SUZANNE WIENER

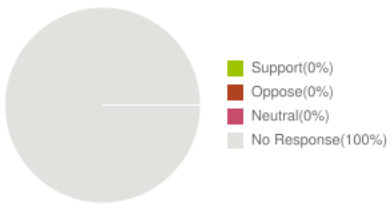
Location:

Submitted At: 8:33pm 05-14-20

There are confusing messages about rules on reopening: MB Beach, Strand + Bike Path. Beach: Are face coverings required? Yesterday, while some wore, vast majority did not. Posts from MB + LA County say they ARE required; however, I took the attached photo of the sign posted at the end of 15th St which says differently. Strand + Bike Path: I haven't seen anything come out saying they are now open, but many people are using them. Plus, 2nd sign at end of 15th that said they are CLOSED was removed.

Agenda Item: eComments for C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES

Overall Sentiment



Scott Chambers

Location:

Submitted At: 11:10pm 05-19-20

Please open our city businesses. According to national standards in place we should be in phase 3 according to the data!

Thanks!

Agenda Item: eComments for D. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

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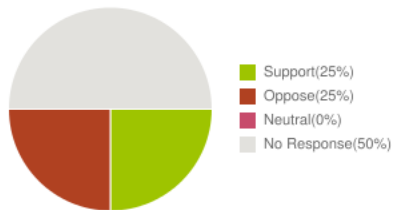
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Laura Kiely

Location:

Submitted At: 7:58pm 05-19-20

Re:Proposal for State Approval to open MB Businesses.Action C asks the city to go its "...own way and allow businesses to reopen" if the proposal is not approved. Pls do not defy State & County mandates. Take small steps to open businesses,with intervals to review data. We have just relaxed restrictions; see if cases spike before moving on. If MB opens first, our sml town will be inundated with shoppers & diners from areas with higher Covid cases. A surge in illness brings more economic problems

Nicole Andrews

Location:

Submitted At: 3:25pm 05-19-20

Pass The "All Businesses Are Essential" Resolution

<https://aschaper1.blogspot.com/2020/05/sample-resolution-for-torrance-all.html>

Charles Protell

Location:

Submitted At: 2:26am 05-19-20

Write the Governor, reopen Manhattan Beach. Our businesses are dying, use of our beaches are restricted, this is not our city. The longer this lasts, the more difficult it will be to recover what we had.

Edward Gajdicar

Location:

Submitted At: 6:03pm 05-18-20

LA county has a no bail policy. Does MB follow this same policy. Explain to the community what crimes are included. and what MBPD is doing to ensure the safety of the community. Has CC written to LA County in opposition to this policy?

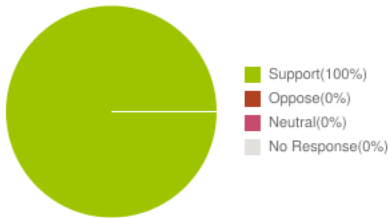
Agenda Item: eComments for 1. 20-0180

Consider Ratification of One Replacement Police Vehicle Purchase from Wondries Fleet Group in the Amount of \$44,500.24 and Appropriate \$64,131.55 from Fund Balance (Finance Director Charelian).

a) APPROVE RATIFICATION

b) APPROPRIATE FUNDS

Overall Sentiment



Joseph Fusco

Location:

Submitted At: 5:02pm 05-17-20

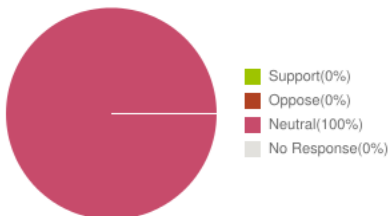
Would be interesting to know what type of vehicle this is and what type vehicle is being replaced.

Agenda Item: eComments for 2. 20-0175

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ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-0055

Overall Sentiment



Gary Osterhout

Location:

Submitted At: 11:36pm 05-18-20

Don't believe Phase I will help much; Phase II will provide more benefit. Meantime, suggest using analog methods to better time the Rosecrans/Highland light to allow more N/S evening traffic (currently no waiting for E/W, and N/S often has a 15-20 min wait w/idling cars). Also, build dual left turn lanes fr. E/W to N/S on MBB at Sepulveda--has been promised for almost 2 decades.

Joseph Fusco

Location:

Submitted At: 5:09pm 05-17-20

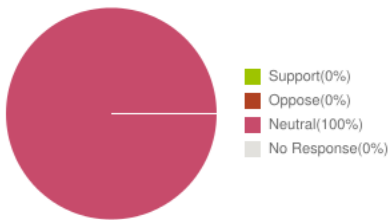
Will agenda items 5 & 6 be compliant with work to be done under this item 2? Or will the work in items 5 & 6 be redone again as part of item 2?

Agenda Item: eComments for 4. 20-0187

Consider Adopting a Resolution Approving Participation in the Los Angeles Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program by Entering Into a Three-Year Participating City Cooperation Agreement with the County of Los Angeles (Public Works Director Katsouleas).

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-0056

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Olivia Roth

Location:

Submitted At: 6:17pm 05-17-20

Could you please explain in detail what this participation would entail and what the program is about.

Thank you!

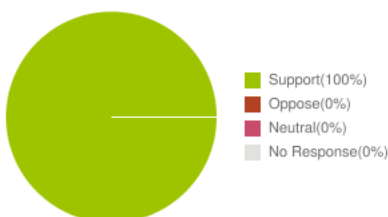
Agenda Item: eComments for 5. 20-0189

Consider Waiving Formal Bidding per Manhattan Beach Municipal Code Section 2.36.140 and Adopting a Resolution Approving an Agreement with DDL Traffic, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of the Emergency Vehicle Preemption System (Phase II) for \$148,903; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement; and Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Additional Work, if Necessary, for up to \$9,000 (Public Works Director Katsouleas).

a) WAIVE FORMAL BIDDING

b) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-0057 APPROVING AN AGREEMENT

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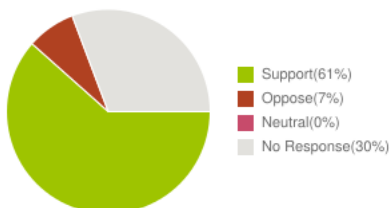
Location:

Submitted At: 4:54pm 05-17-20

While not sure this is a mandatory item as lights and sirens typically provide sufficient intersection passage, the cost is low and it's a no harm item so the City might as well implement.

Agenda Item: eComments for 7. City Council to Consider Additional Measures to Address COVID-19.

Overall Sentiment



Brent Horstman

Location:

Submitted At: 12:07am 05-20-20

1) Please open up city pools. This can be a safe way to promote both physical and mental health. USA Swimming has put out thoughtful guidance on how to re-open pools, which should save the City planning time. https://www.usaswimming.org/docs/default-source/coaching-resourcesdocuments/covid-19-team-resources/facility-reopening-plan-guidelines.pdf?sfvrsn=8a533a32_2

2) Please open city fields for certain youth sports, including, baseball, which should be easy to create social distancing.

Taylor Turney

Location:

Submitted At: 12:01am 05-20-20

Please consider reopening the pools. Experts at Purdue University who study pool water decontamination say: If recommended chlorine levels are maintained as usual, the pools themselves should pose minimal risk of spreading the coronavirus to swimmers. Here is a link to the article: <https://scitechdaily.com/expert-says-swimming-pool-water-unlikely-to-spread-coronavirus/amp/>

Dean francois

Location:

Submitted At: 11:18pm 05-19-20

No question, LACo Health Dept controls pools. We need a strong letter from Mayor, cc other local Mayors-to LACo to allow pool opening include private condo complexes. Outdoor 1st phase-Indoor 2nd. Suggest a comprehensive plan and list of exempt cities or list of those not ready (IE: keep pools closed LA city). Work with other local cities! We need a unified approach.

Keep in mind we worked to open beaches (shouldn't have been closed). Most importantly keep parks/open space/beaches open.

Jennifer Herzer

Location:

Submitted At: 8:31pm 05-19-20

We support opening the pools. Swimming is a safe and healthy exercise that can still be done while maintaining social distancing. Studies have shown that a properly maintained and chlorinated pool kills the virus. Our

community would really appreciate another venue for safe exercise during these difficult times

John Uriostegui

Location:

Submitted At: 3:07pm 05-19-20

Please open Mira Costa Pool and Begg pool. I've seen conflicting results from the CDC, 82-88% of people hospitalized and deaths were over the age of 65. 92-94% of those people (unfortunately) have had pre-existing conditions. More than 50% of all deaths have come from retirement homes, assisted living, and other elderly facilities. The reports say somewhere between .01 and .001 for people under the age of 49. What's not conflicting is immunity, sunlight, vitamin D are great to fight all viruses.

Kelly Hendrickson

Location:

Submitted At: 4:36am 05-19-20

Please consider opening city swimming pools. Many community members would appreciate the exercise, and mental health benefits that swimming provides, especially in the summer months. The CDC states that properly maintained facilities (chlorine) disables the virus in the water. Physical distancing measures could be utilized to maintain patron safety.

Bobbie Kokorowski

Location:

Submitted At: 12:27am 05-19-20

I support opening outdoor pools. The pool environment lends itself to successfully opening in a manner that reduces the spread of COVID-19. Chlorine in pools disables coronavirus, sunshine kills it, and open air decks allow for ample ventilation. Social distancing can easily be achieved with a mix of strategies including block pool time, a reservation schedule, and a disinfection schedule.

Colleen Guenther

Location:

Submitted At: 12:22am 05-19-20

Please consider opening city swimming pools. Access can be controlled to enforce physical distancing and provide contact tracing if needed. The CDC has stated that disinfection with chlorine and bromine as part of proper facility maintenance should render COVID-19 inactive in the water. Please consider exercise-only access with no lounging or lingering on the pool deck. Our athletes would appreciate pool access for physical, emotional, and mental health.

Brandy Mosteller

Location:

Submitted At: 11:03pm 05-18-20

Please open the city swimming pools for controlled swimming and exercise. The CDC has stated that COVID can't be transmitted thru a maintained pool and the level of new cases of COVID in our community has been close to zero for a few weeks. It is easy to control pool swimming and access and tracking and tracing if need be. This combined with the extremely low rate of COVID in our community makes swimming the perfect exercise. Please open our pools for exercise.

sharon kay

Location:

Submitted At: 5:27pm 05-18-20

Please address and consider re opening pools for lap swimming. Distance can easily be achieved.

Mike Michalski

Location:

Submitted At: 8:00pm 05-16-20

Please keep Strand open and start figuring out what we can do to support local businesses re-opening. Enough is enough with the nanny-state restrictions. The agreement was always to flatten the curve, not find a cure (which may never happen). The curve has been flattened. Time to reconsider opening the economy before we don't

have any economy left to open.

SUZANNE WIENER

Location:

Submitted At: 8:41pm 05-14-20

Hi - please see my other comment (with photo) posted earlier in the agenda (sorry, didn't page down far enough). I recommend consistency with same approach for Polliwog Park. But I agree, too soon for a weekend opening. I saw sunbathers yesterday (5/13). Need consistent messaging and a lot more prominent and consistent messaging and signage. (Most people just hear "beach open" and don't fully read the news. Many think that the Strand and Bike Path are open too! Or, are just being rude.)

Jon Swidler

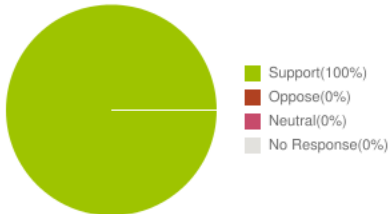
Location:

Submitted At: 2:07pm 05-14-20

Keep Strand and beaches closed. Too many violators on beach on Wed. 5/13 and it is about the safety of residents. What do you think the weekend is going to be like? Protect and serve please. People cannot follow rules, so be punitive. No one wants to get sick.

Agenda Item: eComments for N. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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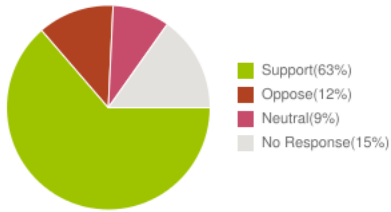
Location:

Submitted At: 5:37pm 05-14-20

I walk the downtown area daily. Since the suspension of street cleaning, I have noticed a large amount of trash on the downtown streets. Can't we have some of the furloughed employees brought back to do daily pick ups of this unsightly mess? Or, organize a Clean up Downtown with locals doing the clean up or, have the business owners responsible to clean up in front of their shops. I would gladly volunteer my time to improve the look of our downtown area. I am embarrassed to see this mess.

Agenda Item: eComments for a) Discussion of Sending a Letter to Governor Newsom and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Regarding Re-Opening of Manhattan Beach Businesses. DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION

Overall Sentiment



Dean francois

Location:

Submitted At: 11:03pm 05-19-20

Shame Feds didn't have testing to avoid nationwide shutdown. All have suffered emotionally and/or economically-some more than others. MB is no different. Need strong letter from Mayor, cc other Mayors-to LACo for regional slow opening. Suggest list of exempt cities for certain businesses. No matter what, we are headed for Depression. Dont be quick too quick before it hits.

For health, I worked to open beaches (shouldn't have been closed). Most importantly keep parks/open space/beaches open.

Candice Witek

Location:

Submitted At: 9:48pm 05-19-20

I support the decision to demand reopening of all businesses so that we don't allow the loss of our mom and pop shops, restaurants and therefore our whole town. I also condone that should we not get approval that we move forward to reopen regardless and take this issue to higher courts. Other cities have done the same and won! This is unconstitutional and must stop!

Shelly S

Location:

Submitted At: 9:20pm 05-19-20

We support reopening all MB businesses and restaurants. Other places are doing so and MB should not be left behind simply because we are lumped in with LA County.

Dana Garity

Location:

Submitted At: 9:18pm 05-19-20

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 40 years and I am distressed that we are not doing everything in our power to help our businesses, shops and restaurants dig out of the economic hole they are in - these are our friends and the lifeblood of our community.

Yael Feder

Location:

Submitted At: 8:55pm 05-19-20

I support re-opening with proper *enforcement* of safety protocol, particularly wearing of masks inside stores and social distancing. "If you don't feel comfortable going, stay home" is a flippant retort that does not work with a virus. Elderly residents still have to conduct essential errands next to others so individual actions impact the entire community's exposure. I support proceeding with approval from the LA County Health Department.

John Uriostegui

Location:

Submitted At: 8:41pm 05-19-20

Follow the constitution, not a power-hungry politician trying to make a name for himself. Open all businesses and

give people the choice of going out or not.

SUZANNE WIENER

Location:

Submitted At: 6:54pm 05-19-20

I also hate to see our business suffer! But I am concerned. This past weekend, crowds of people were congregating outside the various MB venues that were open. People were NOT physically distancing and it didn't appear that all were from same household. Plus, the vast majority did NOT wear masks. Here's the problem - yes, I can stay home. But these people will continue to move about our city and shop at grocery stores, etc. putting everyone at risk. If we open, it will REQUIRE policing.

Rachel Judson

Location: 94107, San Francisco

Submitted At: 2:03pm 05-19-20

I support re-opening businesses for many of the reasons others have already given.

Thank you for your work you do for the city.

Erin Field

Location:

Submitted At: 4:59am 05-19-20

Open everything now. Local businesses are suffering.

Benjamin Holm

Location:

Submitted At: 4:54am 05-19-20

I say if sending the meter is the only option than send the letter. All the people that oppose the opening of businesses can stay home. Learn from grocery stores and Target. Limit the number of customers, require all inside to wear a mask and require hand sanitizer at the entrance. Enter at your own risk. Leave your house at your own risk. Land of the free let us make our own decisions.

Charles Protell

Location:

Submitted At: 2:29am 05-19-20

Write the Governor, reopen Manhattan Beach. Our businesses are dying, use of our beaches are restricted, this is not our city. The longer this lasts, the more difficult it will be to recover what we had.

Gary Osterhout

Location:

Submitted At: 2:09am 05-19-20

Some comments: 1) No posted info on possible letter content (Brown Act); 2) a Council that can't control Ocean Dr, anticipate El Porto crowds, timely open walkways thru Sand Dune/Live Oak, keep sidewalks clear, and keep streets clean might not be able to control business visitors as now needed; 3) Per my 8:30am Sunday Parkway run, from Pier to 1st there were 71 people that passed by me; only 16 wore masks; 4) praise from the dais by a CC member for Elon Musk/civil disobedience is bewildering.

Mr L.G.

Location:

Submitted At: 1:46am 05-19-20

I would love to see us open up but as more and more people come out and about - from all over LA and surrounding counties, we need to communicate the rules and enforce them. We need to have protocols and practices for the businesses that actually get followed. What happens to those customers, tourists, or business owners who can't or don't comply with the rules?

Kristin Drew

Location:

Submitted At: 1:18am 05-19-20

Please do all you can to reopen our local businesses and restaurants as soon as possible. If we're truly "all in this together", let us work together to support establishments that are owned by our friends and neighbors and revive our community. We can do this safely and responsibly, with a good measure of common sense.

Joe Franklin

Location:

Submitted At: 11:15pm 05-18-20

Please respect your residents and business owners who have enough common sense to protect themselves and others and allow them to fully open up their restaurants and businesses. Untethered from the onerous lockdown, they will bring the economy roaring back to the benefit of their families, employees, customers and the City's coffers. If your reply is that your hands are tied, then use your shoulders to assume the burden of your residents and push back on the County.

Margot Farris

Location:

Submitted At: 9:23pm 05-18-20

Please allow businesses to open while maintaining social distancing. We have learned so much from the grocery stores and drug stores being open and all this can be applied to other retail businesses. At some point, we are going to have to dive into this - people need to work to survive. Our downtown businesses have to pay astronomical rents and their fixed costs, including employee salaries and taxes. They need to open responsibly or we are going to have a ghost town.

Michelle Murdocca

Location:

Submitted At: 7:16pm 05-18-20

Absolutely agree, thank you. The local business owners that I've spoken with are all willing to be responsible in terms of following guidelines re:face masks, hand sanitizer etc.. We need to support our local businesses.

Mike Michalski

Location:

Submitted At: 7:19am 05-18-20

Families going bankrupt, business owners losing everything they've worked their entire lives for while their employees are losing their jobs, health insurance and life savings. Projected 1.2 million new unemployed in LA County alone (source - LA Bus Jnl), all to protect us from a virus with 99% survival rate that is most dangerous to people over 65 (ie, no longer in the work force). The stupidity of enforcing economic suicide on everyone else is mind-boggling. Please defend our local businesses

Lee Breisacher

Location:

Submitted At: 5:10am 05-18-20

I think it is premature to open things up so much. The numbers for LA County are just too high still. The most telling statistic is the number of deaths per day. According to the LATimes, "Over the past week, the county has averaged 901 new cases and 41.4 new deaths per day." The numbers have been that way for weeks -- going down a tiny bit, but very slowly. I'm in favor of waiting until the deaths per day in LA County is much lower, say, single digits.

Betty Freitag

Location:

Submitted At: 4:57am 05-18-20

Great idea, let's get our businesses going again so they don't die from the lockdown!

We support this, we choose freedom. The vulnerable can choose to continue to be safer at home, while those with businesses can get back to work. The goal of zero covid deaths in 14 days put forth by Newsom is unattainable.

Thank you for putting this on the agenda, we strongly support its passage.

Robert Draves

Location:

Submitted At: 4:24am 05-18-20

Yes, please send the letter to the Governor. Are we going to loose the Kettle, the Creamery, Rock N Fish, Strand House, Mangiamo, all that makes Manhattan great?

Nicole Andrews

Location:

Submitted At: 11:18pm 05-17-20

This letter sound like a delay tactic. Instead I challenge CC to understand how CVS can sell flip flops and Target gift wrap and use that same logic to open Manhattan Beach businesses.

Edward Gajdicar

Location:

Submitted At: 10:39pm 05-17-20

Why waste time sending a letter that twill go unanswered. Why is target selling Easter cards open and a small business closed? what ever it takes to justify Target should be used to open small busines in Manhattan Beach

Diane Hembacher

Location:

Submitted At: 7:28pm 05-17-20

I oppose any request to open businesses and restaurants in Manhattan Beach, prior to the opening of similar establishments in the county. While our number of cases/deaths in MB may be relatively low, we are closely connected to larger, urban portions of the county. Opening up sooner than the surrounding areas will increase the danger of contagion in our community, especially since customers from surrounding areas will be drawn to the restaurants and other businesses in our community.

Joseph Fusco

Location:

Submitted At: 5:37pm 05-17-20

Fully support allowing Manhattan Beach business to reopen. We have had a low incidence of infections and little impact on hospitals. However, there has been a tremendous impact on the businesses in MB and the revenue to the city and future budgets will be significantly affected. Anyone worried about catching the virus can continue to shelter at home and avoid other people. It's not the City's role to prevent ALL infections but to provide essential services.

Cathy Fisher

Location:

Submitted At: 3:56pm 05-17-20

Do you really think our small businesses here is the South Bay can mandate the CDC guidelines to protect the citizens of our community? I say keep these businesses shut down that support our schools, hire our kids, support our local charities, live and support other local businesses, and vote for you. I was at Lowes in Hawthorne last week and there were roughly 700 people in that store. Lines wrapped around the entire store to check out. Shoulder to shoulder. Some without masks. Great to see.

Rene Sandera

Location:

Submitted At: 1:56pm 05-17-20

I have owned business here in MB for 40 years. I have been through earthquakes, riots, recessions and depressions and still able to keep at it. Most the business that are forced to close not only may never open again but consumer habits have been altered and customers once patronizing these business have moved on to the big box retailers that are allowed to open and sell basic needs such as clothing, shoes, sandals, sporting goods (Target, Walmart, Big 5, Costco...). Is this a fair solution?

William Elkman

Location:

Submitted At: 4:24am 05-17-20

I oppose accelerating reopening of businesses faster than the county timetable; and not until fewer than 10 deaths/week in county.

1. Businesses not involved in serving food can open with safe distancing/masks; CDC guidelines have been diluted/not useful; specific sanitizing measures are needed;
2. Restaurants shouldn't open sitdown dining until 2 weeks of data is available for areas with internal seating, i.e. Texas, Gerogia; outside dining may be worse with wind aerosolizing virus particles;

Sara Grasso

Location:

Submitted At: 2:39am 05-17-20

I support. This is long overdue. Hopefully small businesses can recover from this over-reaction and over-reach which had no basis in science in the first place. If we can shop in grocery stores, we should be able to apply the same social distancing behavior elsewhere.

Catherine Strauss

Location:

Submitted At: 2:28am 05-17-20

I support. Let's help these businesses survive, after all Target and Walmart have more consumer products than just food in their stores.

Randall Putnam

Location:

Submitted At: 1:54am 05-17-20

I like Molly Holm's comments a lot but would modify her approach to say the number of customers a given store can admit at any given time would be a function of the store's square feet. I think we've learned what a "safe space" feels like; store owners and managers need to provide that space until we gain a better understanding of the virus.

Kathy Beckwith

Location:

Submitted At: 4:10pm 05-16-20

Yes, of course. Stand up for your community and send this immediately. Has this not already been done?

Molly Holm

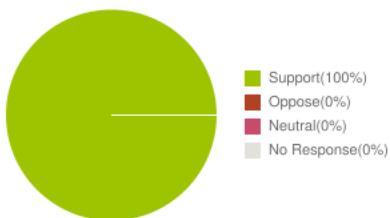
Location:

Submitted At: 1:03am 05-16-20

Many small businesses in Manhattan Beach are under threat to close after serving the community for decades. I know many owners of small businesses in Manhattan and they would love to have the ability to bring customers in by very small quantities or by appointment in a safe manor. It seems to be working really well for grocery stores, limiting the number of people entering a store at a time. For a small shop, it may be one person at a time, that gives the shop owner time to disinfect in between

Agenda Item: eComments for b) Consider Additional Measures.

Overall Sentiment



Joseph Fusco

Location:

Submitted At: 7:45pm 05-18-20

Please consider opening city parking for Handicapped use. The closure of parking lots has resulted in fewer parking places on the street and is an exceptional hardship to Handicapped citizens who have limited mobility and there by more difficult access to the Strand and Beach.