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From: Karli Fisher <karlirs@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 11:03 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Hadley as mayor- next rotation tomorrow

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I support the next and regular rotation for Suzanne Hadley as mayor at your city council meeting tomorrow. You have a fiduciary duty to the entire city of Manhattan beach to uphold the rotation of mayoral duties. Any changes should be made with a vote and not handed down to the community without approval from the very people that you represent.

Thank you,

Karli Fisher- Manhattan Beach resident

Martha Alvarez

From: Edda Elias <edda@swingmedia.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 10:06 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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Hello Manhattan Beach City Council,

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Thank you for your consideration,

Edda Elias
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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 9:53 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Please vote "No" for Suzanne Hadley as mayor on December 1



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To: Bruce Moe
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To: robertbush @dslextreme.com
Cc: robertbush @dslextreme.com; Nancy Hersman; Steve Napolitano; Richard Montgomery; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Bruce Moe; Quinn Barrow; List - City Council; mmatthews; kkomatinsky; bfournell; jfenton; speel; Joe Franklin
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayor Suzanne Hadley - Fight On

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Manhattan Beach City Council Meeting Dec. 1, 2020

City Council Reorganization: a) History and Discussion of Mayoral Rotation b) Selection of Mayor c) Selection of Mayor Pro Tem d) Recognition of Outgoing Mayor Montgomery

Mayor Suzanne Hadley - Fight On by Robert Bush

Hildy Stern and Nancy Hersman have motioned for a "discussion" of the historical process of passing the Mayor title (currently held by Richard) to the duly appointed Mayor Pro-Tem (currently held by Suzanne.) They question Suzanne's ability to lead the City through the rest of the pandemic period. This is a transparent political move meant only to cause embarrassment for Suzanne as they differ ideologically with her. Suzanne is perfectly able to take the lead from Richard and apply her very able skills to the mayoral duties.

Robert Bush – I have loved Manhattan Beach for over 60 years, ever since I came to California in 1960 to pursue my Aerospace Career (34 years) and M.S. in Aeronautical Engineering U.S.C. Veteran - Sergeant U.S. Army Infantry - First Cold War troops sent to save Europe from Russians.

I love Manhattan Beach – ocean, weather, schools, residents and especially the City Council. I have attended and spoken at many Council meetings and have sent emails to Council, Beach Reporter and Easy Reader. They don't always listen or react to what the residents say, but the democratic, 1st Amendment process prevails.

On December 1, 2020, the City Council will decide the fate of the 50 year tradition of nonpartisan rotation of mayors every 9 months. The residents of Manhattan Beach voted and endorsed Suzanne Hadley for Councilmember with the promise she would

be mayor when her time came. **Our community who share her views and vision, and her leadership skills will serve our community well during these unusual, and often trying, times.** There are people trying to keep Council Member Suzanne Hadley from becoming our next Mayor. because of political reasons (M.B. - non-partisan), jealousy or ideologically. Please do not let this happen.

Hildy Stern and Nancy Hersman are attorneys and think they are more qualified to determine who will become mayor than the residents that voted for them. Residents voted for a candidate that would be both councilmember and mayor.

The mayor doesn't function in a vacuum - the mayor has the four councilmembers, city attorney, city manager and the residents of Manhattan Beach available for advise.

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A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council on the advice of its City Attorney, based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City. Number of Cases: 3

Hermosa Beach Councilmember Hany Fangary has filed a lawsuit against the city because of being passed over for mayor pro tem in November. Manhattan Beach doesn't a fourth lawsuit.

Fangary denied Hermosa Mayor's seat by Hermosa Beach council colleagues by Robert Bush

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Fangary has not been communicating with City Manager Suja Lowenthal since about April. Fangary disputed this claim, saying he corresponds with the city manager often during public meetings and has written her by email and text in recent months.

An apparent dispute between Fangary and Lowenthal became public during a council meeting last month, when Fangary said he had lost confidence in the city manager.

Long-time city resident and retired engineer Howard Longacre penned a five-page letter to the council critical of their decision to bypass Fangary for the mayor's position.

“When you set policy to punish another of your duly elected colleagues to de facto give yourself more power, or advantage,” he wrote, “you are in my view bordering on the worst kind of corrupt politician, notwithstanding how incredibly small you are showing yourself to be. None of you on the council are any better than any of your colleagues, and that Hany Fangary in your minds or any others have rubbed you wrong, gives you no ethical right to punish him.”

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Hi Everyone,

I have been living in Manhattan Beach since 1987 on Boundary Place and strongly support Suzanne for mayor for this term. Have voted for her for the council in the past and have met her in person, as well as her husband David who ran for assembly.

I hope you support her too.

God bless,

-David Dameron

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Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2020 7:31 PM
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Dear Councilwoman Stern,

As a long term resident, I am writing to you in regards to the upcoming election on Dec 1, 2020 when we are due to rotate to a new Mayor in Manhattan Beach. As Richard Montgomery has done an outstanding job this year guiding our city through this pandemic, I believe having him remain in this position at this time will best serve our community. In contrast, our current Mayor Pro Tem has demonstrated a belief that Covid is overblown, and as such could be detrimental to the continuing safety, health and welfare of our community. To this end, I would like to encourage all of the City Council members to vote to keep Richard Montgomery on as Mayor during this pandemic, especially as Covid cases continue to rise and colder weather is soon to arrive. Richard has demonstrated the type of stability, leadership and the strength required to keep our community aligned with the scientific and medical experts on what will keep all of our community safe and ready to meet local needs.

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Eileen O'Connor

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From: Kenneth Landsman <gladyankee@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 3:41 PM
To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] susanne hadley

Suzanne Hadley's explanation that 'Manhattan Beach Mayor' is just a "ceremonial" title strikes me as sadly naive. When her reckless comments about Covid 19 were broadcast to millions on nationwide television, I doubt if anyone found them ceremonial. Local residents were flabbergasted, embarrassed, disgusted by someone representing our great city.

Hadley describes the Mayor as an "honorary" position. She does not deserve that honor. As recently as this week she supported a rally in Manhattan Beach, ignoring guidelines issued by local health officials, designed to mitigate the spread of Covid19. So despite her protestations, her rash position has not changed since that fateful interview.

She is irresponsible and she attempts to excuse her careless public comments by invoking her "Midwest" roots, as if Midwesterners get a free pass to use crass and thoughtless language. Her supporters seem to enjoy her "unvarnished positions;" the way she "speak(s) directly... without hiding the ball." This sounds disturbingly similar to excuses offered by these same people defending a crude president who we have finally deposed. Sixty eight percent of our residents have clearly said we won't accept that kind of representation.

We don't expect perfection in our elected officials but we do expect polish, not crudity; grace, not offensiveness; kindness, not foolishness.

We are thankfully emerging from an extremely divisive period marked by turmoil and discord.

As a city, we face the many difficulties inflicted by Covid 19, but also a racial reckoning on Bruce's Beach, an issue for which Hadley has shown no empathy or compassion; her dog whistle comment that "all lives matter" is enough to expose her true colors.

I urge City Council to pass the "ceremonial" baton to someone who will bring not just Midwest values, but good old American values like consideration, respect and compassion back to our city.

Ken Landsman

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Hi Hildy! Thank you for your support regarding CPA this week. I just learned about the program last week and called Dana with the City. She told me about the meeting Tuesday and I encouraged all of my friends to write to council to support 100% renewables. I'm so proud of MB for taking this step.

Today I'm writing about Suzanne. I have read her letter and spoken to many former council and school board members. It sounds like there is a real possibility Council could pass over her for the position of mayor. I strongly encourage you to do so.

Her comments around Covid and MBUSD are divisive and sometimes just shocking. It seems she is not ready for the position as she has proven unaware and unconcerned about the power of her statements while serving as a Councilmember. At a time when we need to pull together as a community and stay on the path, we can not switch to a leader who seems to thrive on rattling cages. I would support Richard staying in the role for consistency, or to pass on to the next member. I also think Council may consider formalizing a vote among members for the position in the future.

Thank you for all that you do!! I know this is a big job.

Sarah Leonard Sheahan

Sent from my iPhone

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Dear Hildy,

Hope you are doing well. I do not usually write to the City Council but am making an exception as I am so worried about the change in our city leadership as we navigate this pandemic.

It has been a crazy year full of so much upheaval and sadly a lot of deaths. As we move into the holidays, the cases show no sign of letting up and we are now possibly facing more restrictions and even a possible lockdown again.

As Mayor of our city, you need to have the backbone to support the experts and follow through with the guidelines that they set. This is not always easy or popular with some but is the best way to keep all of us as safe as possible during this time.

I cannot emphasize enough how important it is that we do not rotate Mayors during this turbulence. With everything else so unpredictable and quite frankly, frightening at times, I have felt some peace at knowing we have a Mayor who has been steadfast and strong with his leadership during this pandemic.

I think it is crucial that we keep Richard as our Mayor as we continue to manage this pandemic. He alone has the experience to deal with this and we cannot afford to go backwards with someone who does not have these learnings and insights.

Thank you for taking on this important position for our city and making the right decision to have Richard continue as Mayor through this next year with this pandemic.

All the best,

Lisa Taub

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Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 10:48 PM
To: Bruce Moe
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL] The Next Mayor



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Hi Hildy -- I'll be brief. I think it would be best for the town not to have Suzanne as mayor. She is far too divisive in a time when we need cohesion. Even as she alleges to "take COVID-19 very seriously" in her letter to Patch, she is encouraging the back-to-school rally. It's hard to take seriously her allegation of "fully supporting the MBUSD and their reopening efforts," and quite mystifying that she thinks her words and actions could be interpreted in any other way but as criticism and total lack of support. And her repeated public remarks about representing only "her voters" puts the nail in the coffin.

She may think she's just a "plain-spoken mid-Westerner" but in reality she's completely tone-deaf, and apparently isn't getting any better.

I know it'll be ugly, but I urge you to pass her over for mayor.

Faith

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Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
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From: Sharon Cohen <brawercohenfamily@yahoo.com>
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To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayor

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Hildy:

I am sure you have been hearing from others and I want to add my name to residents extremely anxious about the possibility of a Mayor Hadley. The City would be better served by Richard continuing in that role, especially during COVID, when mature leadership and relationships matter. He has the experience and disposition to lead MB during this crisis. Suzanne Hadley, with her wildly inappropriate social media posts, partisanship and even TV interview on COVID make it clear she is not fit for this role.

Sharon Cohen
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Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:26 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley is not right to be MB Mayor now



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From: Joanne Hadley <joannehadley@icloud.com>
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To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley is not right to be MB Mayor now

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Dear Councilmember Hildy Stern,

As 31 year residents of MB, we have serious concerns about Suzanne Hadley being voted in as the next Mayor of MB and we need you to act. We are worried about how Suzanne may lead MB in the role of Mayor, and I hope you will take steps to stop or delay it.

There are unique reasons we need to act on this, for the good of our city and our people.

Here are some areas I hope you will consider:

Experience and Continuity: The pandemic has introduced many complicated and challenging issues that have required deep experience, not only at the city level but regionally as well. We feel Suzanne's newness on the council and sampling of her public statements this far, make her unfit to become MB spokesperson at this time. To continue to keep our community moving forward successfully, we need continued thoughtful consideration of economic and public health issues through this period.

Leadership: I have admired much of what Richard Montgomery, has done leading us through difficult but necessary steps and decisions during this crisis time. We need level heads as we hear out solutions and move through uncertainty while our country, state and county attempt to deal with unprecedented decisions from government and health leaders.

Relationships: Richard Montgomery, and Steve Napolitano have good relationships with people in neighboring communities and the county. These are critical as we rely on collective resources in LA County including hospitals, workers living outside of MB, employers of our residents outside of MB, etc. Though we thankfully have a very strong sense of community in MB, we do not exist in a bubble and we must give and take with the region from which we are inseparable.

Suzanne, while speaking as pro-tem mayor, made statements that did not reflect the stance of the City Council, that she does not support the policies that have been successfully implemented. She will not keep us safe given the personal views she has expressed even in the context of her government position.

And, in this critical time, she sorely lacks the contacts and experience needed to address the city's current crisis. Many people believe that our success in fighting the challenges of the pandemic thus far has been in part due to the measures taken by the City Council under the current leadership.

You Council members will be voting on whether to approve the pro-tem mayor in a couple of weeks. Though it may be unusual, please remember these times are unprecedented and we need courage now! Right now we need Richard Montgomery, to continue in his role as the best course of action for Manhattan Beach during this horrible crisis.

Thank you and stay healthy so MB can prosper,

Joanne and Bret Hadley & family
763 33rd Street MB 90266
Phone: 310-489-9725

Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:26 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Continuity for MB



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To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Continuity for MB

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Dear Hildy-

I am writing to you to express my very strong concern about changing to a new Mayor on December 1, 2020 in our lovely town of Manhattan Beach.

As you know, the pandemic has introduced many complicated and challenging issues that have required deep experience, not only at the city level but regionally and nationally. I think Richard has done a great job leading us through these difficult times ensuring that we follow the public health protocols set by LA County to stay safe while keeping the community moving forward successfully. I also know firsthand that from almost the beginning of this pandemic, there has been resistance by a small but very outspoken group of residents. Despite these deniers of Covid, Richard has navigated us through these uncertain and stressful times, making hard decisions to ensure the health and safety of our entire community.

Having said that, I am extremely concerned about bringing in the new Mayor in December. In 2020, Suzanne Hadley has not demonstrated actions that represent the greater interests of the Manhattan Beach community, but instead, has focused on stirring up a base of COVID deniers in the community to undermine your guidance and city leadership. Case in point, she sent a group text on April 19, 2020 to individuals stating "It is time to pivot to reopening. The worst of the virus is behind us." Clearly this was not the case – and was counter to the plan implemented in our town. Secondly, her June responses on NBC TV were again counter to the city's plan in place vs COVID-19 – in addition to being appalling. The self-centered, tone deaf response "I don't know of anyone who died from COVID" implying that only her experiences matter is not appropriate for someone supposed to serve a broader community. The added comment of "The role of society is not to prevent death" is also counter to Manhattan Beach's important lifeguard, police and fire fighting individuals who do just that in Manhattan Beach society. Lastly, her behind the scenes role for the organizers of a rally in Polliwog Parky to get kids back in school also seeks to undermine the efforts of the cohesive and coordinated plans Manhattan Beach and LA Unified are working together on.

Suzanne Hadley is not fit to be the mayor of the people of Manhattan Beach especially during this turbulent time. We need a steady hand in continuing to run this city during this raging health crisis and I implore the City Council members to make a motion to keep Richard on as Mayor for his strong experience, his solid leadership and for the continuity we need to ensure the safety of our entire community.

BTW I hope you know that I think you would make a fantastic Mayor but given the circumstances, I think it would be just easier for Richard to serve his new term now for continuity and also so Suzanne cannot argue against his experience in handling this pandemic.

Also hope all your kids are doing well during this crazy time. Is Seth at school or working remotely from home? Both our boys are in their frats at school. Miles is part in-class and part remote while Ben is all remote. They both will be home for the holidays. Enjoy your kids home too!

Take care,

Sincerely,

Donna Choromanski

Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:26 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: No Hadley Rotation



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From: Patricia Sullivan <pat_su@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 12:27 PM
To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] No Hadley Rotation

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Dear Council Member,

I urge you to compel the council to take up the topic, and vote to not have the position of Mayor rotate to Suzanne Hadley at this time. In her months as Mayor Pro-Tem she has demonstrated an inability to grasp the importance of issues and to not support solutions that benefit the City as a whole. In particular, her publicly stated views on the COVID pandemic and how to address it in our City show a rejection of science-based facts and best practices that we sorely need to keep our citizens safe AND support our business long term. She appears to not support the decisions the rest of our elected council makes, and that have been successful so far.

Additionally, the pandemic has introduced many complicated and challenging issues that have required deep experience, not only at the city level but regionally as well. Experience and continuity are critical in our MB spokesperson at this time. To keep the community moving forward successfully (as has been the case), we need continued thoughtful consideration of economic and public health issues through this period. Richard Montgomery has done a good job leading us through difficult but necessary steps and decisions. Richard as well as Steve Napolitano have good relationships with people in neighboring communities and the county. These are critical as we exist in (and rely on) collective resources in LA County including hospitals, workers living outside of MB, employers of our residents outside of MB, etc. Though we thankfully have a very strong sense of community in MB, we do not exist in a bubble.

Please consider and act on this request to do what I and a considerable number of my fellow citizens believe to be the correct thing, and not rotate Suzanne Hadley in as mayor.

Thank you for your time,

Pat Sullivan

449 35th St.

Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:26 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Please don't let Suzanne Hadley be the next mayor



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From: Karen Roseman <karen661@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 6:22 PM
To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please don't let Suzanne Hadley be the next mayor

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Dear Hildy,

As 40+ year residents of MB, we have serious concerns about Suzanne Hadley being voted in as the next Mayor and we need you to act. We are worried about how Suzanne may lead MB in the role of Mayor, and I hope you will take steps to stop it.

We feel Suzanne's newness on the council and sampling of her public statements this far, make her unfit to become MB spokesperson at this time. To continue to keep our community moving forward successfully, we need continued thoughtful consideration of economic and public health issues through this period.

We need level heads as we hear out solutions and move through uncertainty while our country, state and county attempt to deal with unprecedented decisions from government and health leaders. Suzanne has participated in gatherings that were not socially distanced or masked and voiced opinions that were against state and local policy. Suzanne, while speaking as pro-tem mayor, made statements that did not reflect the stance of the City Council, that she does not support the policies that have been successfully implemented. She will not keep us safe given the personal views she has expressed even in the context of her government position.

And, in this critical time, she sorely lacks the contacts and experience needed to address the city's current crisis. Many people believe that our success in fighting the challenges of the pandemic thus far has been in part due to the measures taken by the City Council under the current leadership.

You Council members will be voting on whether to approve the pro-tem mayor in a couple of weeks. Though it may be unusual, please remember these times are unprecedented and we need courage and strong leadership now!

Stay Safe,

Alan & Karen Roseman

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Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:25 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Vote NO on Suzanne Hadley's mayorship



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From: Hildy Stern
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Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 1:29 PM
To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote NO on Suzanne Hadley's mayorship

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Good Afternoon, Councilwoman Stern. My name is Jake Scheinberg and I am one of the many residents of this fine city. You may recognize me from my call from last week regarding my disapproval of the City Hall art project. This time around, I am contacting you in regards to the upcoming vote that may decide whether or not Suzanne Hadley shall become our next mayor. I am sure you have received several emails regarding this decision already, but I would like to add my name to the list of people who are AGAINST her potential mayorship.

To give a little context about myself, I am a 25-year-old who has been living at my childhood home since I graduated college a year and a half ago. This pandemic has truly derailed my life, putting a complete halt to my potential career path. In addition to that, I have had to make major sacrifices in order to preserve the health of my family. My parents, especially my dad, are in a high risk group for COVID, and allowing the virus into my household could lead to devastating consequences. I take the pandemic very seriously and I expect the same out of my community.

Unfortunately, that isn't the case, and Suzanne Hadley is at the forefront of this. Over the summer, she gained notoriety over her comments about COVID that she made on MSNBC, and it made our wonderful town a laughing stock on a national stage. Although she has backtracked on her specific comments, the stain left by them are permanent. I personally took offense to what she said, as I do know several people who have died from COVID and have been actively trying to make sure these deaths don't hit closer to home.

In addition, she comments she made earlier in the year about Bruce's Beach demonstrated a lack of empathy for the situation and led us into the wrong direction. I know it has been made clear that multiple members of the city council have found themselves in disagreement with her remarks, and there is an obvious difference in values. She prides herself in her Midwestern values, but we are not living in the Midwest. We live in Manhattan Beach — a community with its own unique set of values, issues, etc.

I worry about the repercussions of her mayorship. Although the role of mayor is symbolic in our town, people from other communities wouldn't know any better. If they see someone with her values serving as mayor, they would assume that our city specifically elected her for the role. I know that you may have a personal relationship with her that could affect your decision on this matter, but I encourage you to listen to your constituents before deciding.

Ultimately, I just want the best for our community for the near and long-term future. I do hope that you read my letter, along with the others, and come to a conclusion that will benefit our city for years to come. I trust your judgement.

Thank you,
Jake Scheinberg

Martha Alvarez

From: Bruce Moe
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:25 AM
To: Martha Alvarez
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] No to Ms. Hadley's rotation as mayor



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From: Hildy Stern
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To: Bruce Moe
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From: L. Papademetropoulos AIA <Laz@ac2architects.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2020 7:43 AM
To: Hildy Stern
Subject: [EXTERNAL] No to Ms. Hadley's rotation as mayor

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Dear Ms. Stern:

Hope you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

I urge you to deny Ms. Hadley's rotation in the position of mayor. In these times of extreme hardship for many of our residents and businesses, we need to isolate people who deny science and stroke divisiveness among ourselves, instead of providing them with a forum to spread misinformation.

Please send a message to our residents and the world that Manhattan Beach cares equally about all people.

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From: Kathy Beckwith <kathymbeckwith@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 8:00 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] December 1 Council Meeting

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Good morning council members, I hope you had a great Thanksgiving Weekend.

I have just read a letter in the Easy Reader explaining an addition to tomorrow's council agenda, putting into question Ms Hadley's rotation to mayor. I am appalled that such a thing would be put into question in our small town.

It is astounding that any council member, would find themselves in a position to prevent a voted in member on council from their rightful rotation of mayor. This is a direct attack on the voters who are expecting Suzanne Hadley to become Mayor tomorrow.

For the two council members who I understand are behind this astonishing action, I'd like you to remember that we are neighbors, mothers, fathers, friends, and residents who chose to live here for many reasons, but in particular the comfort of community and support of each other. There is no member of council that got there because they didn't care about our town of Manhattan Beach. I ask you to consider and respect the different forms this care may take, as the forms may differ, we should be cautious to reject the care at all.

I am looking forward to Suzanne taking the role as Mayor.

Sincerely,
Kathy Beckwith
MB Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: John Holland <jholland545@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 7:42 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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As a concerned citizen and longtime resident of the city, I urge the City Council to appoint Suzanne Hadley as the city's next mayor. Thank you!
John Holland

Martha Alvarez

From: dennymb@aol.com
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 7:29 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayor Rotation

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Dear Council Members,

I see no reason to change the current Mayor rotation policy.

Denny Gregory
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Martha Alvarez

From: Randall Putnam <randall.putnam@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2020 6:28 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Healthy Differences

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I write as a 46-year resident of Manhattan Beach and as a 68-year-old who has seen his fair share of good leaders and bad. My comments are simple and brief. Is it really too much to ask any of our councilmembers to work constructively for just 9 months with other members of the council with whom you may have differences? Instead, might it not be healthier to look in the mirror and ask, "How do I want to be treated when it's my turn?" Healthy differences and debate are essential to good government!! Manhattan Beach citizens elected all of you.

Respectfully,

Randall "Randy" Putnam

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From: J.J. Turkmany <jjturkmany@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 10:31 PM
To: Nancy Hersman
Cc: List - City Council; City Manager
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: City Council Reorganization

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Councilmember Hersman,

Absolutely there are two sides to any story, who doesn't know that... I didn't say that discussing an issue before making a decision is undignified, I said, "*It would be undignified... to spend more than five minutes on this ridiculous agenda item*" -- of course assuming there *would* be discussion. There is no need to be curious how I make decisions on the Parks and Rec commission - all meetings are open, and sadly you have never attended one of our meetings (in my two terms), but I have attended *many* of your City Council meetings. You assumed correctly, I do thoughtfully consider decisions without just rubber stamping or following a tradition, but I guarantee that in many decisions made over the years by Council, tradition is part of the equation in certain decisions made with regard to our incredible city.

I am sure that not all of the communication received by Council on this item are completely logged yet, but of the 161 pages of emails attached to the City agenda (as of Nov 25), **103** were in support of Councilmember Hadley (some emails were multi-page and a few were duplicates) and only **one** was against. << That is not a typo, there is **one** email currently attached to the agenda of non-support. Many of the 103 in support were from very prominent, knowledgeable, and involved people in the community, including a former Mayor. I assume that you will weigh the dozens of emails of support for Councilmember Hadley in thoughtfully considering any decision.

Based on the dozens and dozens of messages of support mentioned above, I have to think that the "sampling" you forwarded below is just that, a small sampling of people who clearly do not represent the majority on this item. Nor do they represent the overall voters who voted-in Councilmember Hadley as a capable person to take on the role. And the anti-Midwest comment you mentioned below by one submission is absurd. I am a native of L.A. but have visited the Midwest enough to know that "Midwest values" certainly include justice, equality, and empathy.

There is no doubt you can find science to support the many different angles of COVID. I am constantly reading all types of information, it's never ending and ever-changing. This article dated 11/27 from Johns Hopkins University (study published 11/22) was originally scrubbed from the internet: <https://pjmedia.com/news-and-politics/matt-margolis/2020/11/27/johns-hopkins-study-saying-covid-19-has-relatively-no-effect-on-deaths-in-u-s-deleted-after-publication-n1178930> Is Johns Hopkins not a reputable source... ? What makes the state of CA right and FL wrong, or vice-versa? A lot of what we know as well as what we don't know is still a moving target -- if it wasn't, things would be 100% figured out by now. And please, let's not get started on public officials who supposedly don't travel, don't go to restaurants, don't celebrate in crowds, don't go to hair salons, etc!

Changing, delaying, or by-passing the normal rotation for Mayor will at the very minimum set a bad precedent. I have no doubt that each and every Councilmember that steps up to the plate as Mayor will represent MB well, just as you did during your term.

Best regards,
J.J.

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From: Nancy Hersman <nhersman@citymb.info>
To: J.J. Turkmany <jjturkmany@aol.com>
Sent: Sun, Nov 29, 2020 6:10 pm
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] City Council Reorganization

JJ,

With all due respect, there are always at least two sides to any story. You should know that. To say that discussing an issue before making a reasoned decision is undignified, I'm curious how you make decisions on the parks and rec commission? I assumed when we appointed you that you would thoughtfully consider decisions without just rubber stamping or following a tradition.

Just so you know the kinds of emails we are receiving against making Suzanne mayor, the following is just one of many examples. Notice that the person is not concerned with her political background, but rather her statements and actions. Other emails have pointed out other statements she has made, such as when she said on national news to a reporter that she "didn't know anyone who died from covid, do you?"

This is just a sampling:

"I am a resident of Manhattan Beach. I'm calling on you not to appoint Suzanne Hadley as our next mayor. We're facing unprecedented challenges amidst a global pandemic and Hadley has repeatedly proven that she does not have the necessary qualities to lead our city through this crisis.

What Hadley dismisses as "gaffes" and "unvarnished positions" in fact reflect a pattern of behavior that will continue if she is appointed mayor and will reflect abysmally on Manhattan Beach. Her comments about Covid this spring were so despicable that Mayor Montgomery felt the need to clarify that "the comment Mayor Pro Tem Suzanne Hadley made on MSNBC today is NOT a reflection of how I feel as Mayor of Manhattan Beach, nor does it reflect how the entire City Council feels on this subject." It is abundantly clear that those comments were not isolated. She has continued to make equally dismissive comments throughout the pandemic, both in City Council meetings and online, including in saying "all lives matter—not just Covid lives," a disgusting and baffling way to address a pandemic that has become the third leading cause of death in the United States in the year since it emerged. I am sure you too remember that Hadley fought strenuously against the mask mandate and fought to carve out nonsense exceptions, e.g. spouses—as though spouses walking together would somehow be immune from encountering another person and catching the virus.

Moreover, she has abused her platform as a City Councilmember—School Board member Karen Komatinsky even said "Council member Hadley has continued to use her City leadership role in a less than collaborative spirit on behalf of the School District through her social media presence and commentary."

(See [https://urldefense.com/v3/https://patch.com/california/manhattanbeach/manhattan-beach-rally-open-schools-sports-stirs-reactions";!!AxJhxnVZ8w!eNfEj8PipKUCmxuOf6x6LNrEOE1hBPmCwks9atsKHaY6o9vh8ScrgqugxGCmSI0vwdU\\$.](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://patch.com/california/manhattanbeach/manhattan-beach-rally-open-schools-sports-stirs-reactions))

In addition to her reckless push to reopen schools against the best advice of public health experts, Hadley has likewise not displayed leadership by modeling the behavior public health experts are requesting of us. Over the summer, she publicly posted about her vacation, in which she flew to the other side of the country and attended a large family gathering that brought together multiple households, violating just about every recommendation our public health experts have offered. Just a few weeks ago, she publicly shared that she is planning to fly to Florida, an epicenter of the pandemic, this winter to go to Disney World, again apparently bringing together multiple households. In a position that Hadley herself has admitted is largely symbolic, why would we select someone who can't even model good behavior for the community themselves?

Hadley's record on race is also horrendous, and at a moment when we're in the national news often for the horrors of Bruce's Beach, do we really want to double down on our racist past by appointing a figurehead who retweeted a crude racist joke about Black people and Kool-Aid? Not only did Hadley have the poor judgement to share the tweet in the first place, she also said nothing and left it up for months after multiple residents publicly called attention to it in a public forum she was attending. In fact, she only seems to have taken down her Twitter account now that residents are calling for her not to be appointed mayor—but hiding her racism doesn't change it, and she clearly only removed it out of self-interest, not genuine remorse.

In her pitch to retain her rotation as mayor, Hadley wrote in the MB Patch that she should be appointed mayor because of her "Midwest values." I know there's a lot of weight placed on Midwestern values in national politics, but this is City Council. Manhattan Beach is not the Midwest. I want a mayor who shares my pride in Californian values, like justice, equality, empathy—none of which seem to be included in what Hadley considers to be her Midwestern values given her behavior and rhetoric. All too often, California falls short of enacting those values, and people like Suzanne Hadley are no small part of the reason why. We cannot afford to have Hadley as our representative to the world. We can and we must do better.

Please do the right thing for our city and do not vote to appoint Suzanne Hadley as our next mayor. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 29, 2020, at 5:55 PM, J.J. Turkmany <JJTurkmany@aol.com> wrote:

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City Council:

I respect each and every one of you and sincerely appreciate all that you do for MB -- we are who we are because of you. To cut to the chase, it is borderline embarrassing that there is any discussion of changing the mayoral rotation but completely shameful that it is an actual agenda item. It would be **undignified** and completely **discrediting** for all of you as the intelligent, hard-working, non-partisan Council Members that you are to spend more than five minutes on this ridiculous agenda item. Please select Suzanne Hadley as Mayor to continue in the normal rotation and continue the great tradition that is Manhattan Beach!

Best regards,

J.J. Turkmany, MB resident



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Martha Alvarez

From: Rosalie Devine <rdevine@mjda.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 7:56 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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Dear City Council,

I have been a Manhattan Beach resident for over 37 years and have a small business located in this this great town. There is no good reason to stop Suzanne Hadley from becoming Mayor as scheduled on December 1, 2020. Why are we trying to change MB doctrine to accommodate the disgruntled. As a member of the city council you are responsible for enforcing the city laws for the people, you should not "buckle" to every whim.

Suzanne rightfully won the election and her turn to be Mayor is the will of we who voted for her....stick with the city laws!!!!

Thank you,
Rosalie Devine

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: ehmitchell <ehmitchell@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 7:34 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Change to Mayor Term

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I and my family have lived in MB since 1982. The "tradition" of rotating which Council person has their time as mayor has been the same the entire time we have lived here. I support it completely. The attempt by some member(s) to change it has the smell of political chicanery and I believe those who advocate it have no business remaining on the Council.

Edward Mitchell, 716 30th Street, MB

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Martha Alvarez

From: Dr. Sievers <dr.sievers@shenminghealth.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 6:06 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I support Suzanne Hadley as Mayor

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Dear Council Members,

I am disappointed that this is even an issue. As everyone knows, mayor is an honorary title. So the effort to deny Suzanne seems malicious. It is a disgrace and a huge waste of everyone's time.

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for over 33 years. I am a business owner in this town and I have raised my 3 sons here from birth to adulthood. This type of political scheming has not previously been part of the Manhattan Beach I know.

Let's honor the rotation and the expectation of the voters that elected Suzanne. Suzanne was elected by a strong showing of our residents because of her strong character and ethics.

Dr. Patricia Sievers

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Martha Alvarez

From: J.J. Turkmany <jjturkmany@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 5:55 PM
To: List - City Council; City Manager
Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Council Reorganization

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Best regards,
J.J. Turkmany, MB resident

Martha Alvarez

From: Deborah Granow <granowgang@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 5:36 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I support Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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Dear City of Manhattan Beach Council Members,

I am writing to request and support Suzanne Hadley rotate into the scheduled position of Mayor of Manhattan Beach.

Democracy should be upheld. Council Member Hadley was elected fairly with the expectation that she would become Mayor for 9.5 months of her 4-year service.

It is disappointing to those of us who believe in our voting system to know that each time we disagree with the views of a validly elected Council Member, we can suppress their progression.

Please consider this proposed precedent as a deterioration of our equitable voting process.

I have owned property in Manhattan Beach since 1993, lived in Manhattan Beach for 27 years and am currently a Manhattan Beach homeowner.

Debbie Granow
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Martha Alvarez

From: Olivia Roth <olivia@maxindustriesinc.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 4:51 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley - Mayor - Council Meeting 12.1.20

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Dear City Council Members,

My name is Olivia Roth and my husband and I have been residents of Manhattan Beach since 1999 when we moved into East Manhattan, we now live in the Tree Section. My husband, Mike grew up in Manhattan Beach for the first four years of his life until he and his family moved to Hermosa Beach. Mike and his four brothers and sisters graduated from Mira Costa as did his mother and father. My husband and I have been married for over 33 years and we have a son, Garrett who is 20 years old and is on the spectrum for Autism. Garrett attended Pacific Elementary, American Martyrs School, MBMS and graduated from Mira Costa.

I share with you our background as a family so that you can get a sense of our history with the beach cities and particularly Manhattan Beach. Tradition and history is important for a family and a community. It is my understanding that there is a five decade tradition in Manhattan Beach that the city council members rotate being Mayor. I voted for Suzanne Hadley with the expectation that she would be Mayor of Manhattan Beach. Now there is a very cruel campaign by people that want to upend that tradition...in essence...change the rules in the middle of the game.

I want to encourage the city council members to stand strong and not allow those people that may not agree with Ms. Hadley to deny her the right for her turn as Mayor of Manhattan Beach.

Sincerely,

Olivia Roth
Owner

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Martha Alvarez

From: Robert Tiedemann <tiedemann.robert@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 4:40 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation

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I am a 45-year MB resident outraged at the attempt to postpone the installation of Suzanne Hadley as our next mayor.

To state the obvious, this is another attempt by the left to cancel conservative voices, but originated by whom exactly? By my count, the 161 public comments on the MB City Council website are running 160 to 1 in favor of maintaining the 50-year tradition of the 9-month mayoral rotation among Councilmembers. Many comments ask why the notion wasn't dismissed out of hand and now find it absurd that Council will spend time in session on the matter. What and who is behind this? Councilmember Stern wrote that Council has received "a great deal of correspondence...for many months" on this topic. Really? By whom and in what forum?

Councilmember Hersman compares the delay in seating Mayor Hadley to postponing fireworks and pumpkin races amid the COVID-19 outbreak. How does one even start to soak in such illogic? Another explanation for the postponement suggests a steep learning curve when rotating from Councilmember to Mayor. Those of you who have made that transition know best, but there is plenty of history of successful leadership transition during trying times, at both local and national levels. Such weak support for the delay in seating Mayor Hadley speaks to the hubris of those who try to use the COVID-19 virus to achieve their undisguised agenda.

Manhattan Beach voters elect our Councilmembers with the expectation that they will serve in the mayoral rotation that has been in place for 50 years. Let's keep it that way and focus on the issues about which the vast majority of our fellow citizens really care.

I would also like to express my thanks to Mayor Montgomery who has capably guided our city during his term as Mayor, and in his prior role as a Councilmember.

Respectfully,

Robert Tiedemann

Martha Alvarez

From: Victoria Peters <petersvictoria55@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 3:19 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT FOR SUZANNE HADLEY

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Dear Council Members

I strongly urge the City Council not to succumb to a vigilante social media effort to deprive Suzanne Hadley of her rightful turn as mayor. We have had this tradition for over 50 years and it would be a mistake to alter it due to pressure from people claiming she is divisive. It seems an easy moniker to attach to anyone who expresses views that are not theirs. She was elected fair and square and if people have a problem with her actions they can make their voices heard in the next election. We did have a democracy last time I looked.

I have lived in Manhattan Beach since 1977. I bought a little house in the 400 block of 28th Street my first year out of college and a few years later built a house two doors away. That has been my residence ever since. I vote in all elections, national and local and pay attention to who is on the council and what they are doing to keep our town a desirable place to live. Local politics affects us on so many levels.

I know that Suzanne and I don't share the same politics but when I had a request for something I thought would improve my neighborhood I wrote to City Council where it was swallowed in the department bureaucracy. Suzanne was the only member to contact me and listen to my request. She offered to meet me on a Sunday and walk from 26th Street along the ridge to 34th Street to understand my perspective. She felt my request had merit and promoted it to the people likely to concur.

This is the kind of council person I want working for me. Someone who tries to cause change for the better and is willing to listen to local concerns, the things that affect us every day. I feel it would be a mistake to change the rules now...it would make it easier to have it happen to the next council member who displeases someone. It is so easy to start a platform and rile people up. Just look at the "divisiveness" on Nextdoor about seeming innocuous subjects.

Victoria Peters
445 28th St.
320-545-8118

Sent from my

Martha Alvarez

From: anitamitchell90266 <anitamitchell90266@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 3:17 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposed Change to Mayor Assignment Procedures

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Dear City Council Members, the more I think about the timing of the proposal to not allow Suzanne Hadley to assume the title and the duties of MB Mayor, the more upset I become. Like so many other long time residents, I voted for Suzanne and totally support her. If you are successful in denying her the title of Mayor, perhaps the citizens need to organize a recall of the members who suggested and supported this misguided effort. -- Anita Mitchell

Martha Alvarez

From: Don CPI <dkuscpi@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 1:50 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Install Council Member Hadley as the next Mayor of MB

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Honorable Council Members:

I trust sitting Council members will honor the precedent and tradition established decades ago and install Council member Hadley as our next mayor.

Sincerely,

Don Kustudia, 48 yr MB Resident/Property Owner

Don Kustudia Broker/Principal
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Martha Alvarez

From: Ron Newman <ron@sharkeez.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 1:40 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayor rotation Manhattan Beach

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Mayor and Council members,

I just want to let you know my feelings and the feeling of most of the business community in Manhattan Beach. Hermosa decided to gang up on the incoming mayor and vote for someone that fit the majorities political views. Since that happened, there has been turmoil on the Hermosa council. We think it is important that each council person has the experience of being the mayor, it is only a sermonical position. They still only have one vote. Please don't change the way we have been running the council for the last thirty years. Their is a reason manhattan council, has been fair and balanced to all people in our community.

Best,
Ron Newman
Esperanza and Baja Sharkeez

Martha Alvarez

From: Heidi Rayden <heidirayden@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 1:33 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda 11 Dec.1 Council Meeting

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Dear Manhattan Beach Council,

I strongly support Suzanne Hadley for mayor & do not support this agenda item.

Our wonderful city is compromised of Republicans and Democrats. We need to keep the council bipartisan and not let a liberal agenda disrupt policy & democracy. (Hildy please do not respond to me... the last email response I received from you was condescending, wretched & unwelcome).

Mr. Montgomery, you have done an amazing job at this time of crisis and we trust you will support Suzanne in her rightful transition as mayor of Manhattan Beach.

Thank you.

Heidi Rayden Tobias
Tree Section Resident (4years)

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Martha Alvarez

From: Tracee Farrell <califarrells@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 1:33 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Council-member Hadley

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Dear City Council,

I am a 17 year resident of MB, I voted for Suzanne Hadley, I continue to support Council-member Hadley, and I expect her to have her rotation as Mayor. That there is even a need to write this email is disappointing and I sincerely hope that none of the other Council-members ever entertained not allowing Council-member Hadley her turn at Mayor - that would be disgraceful. I am incredibly grateful to Council-member Hadley for having the courage to stand up and speak out for what she believes and I fully support her First Amendment rights to do so. I applaud her strength and determination in the face of this baseless smear campaign by a vocal minority of people who believe they can make enough noise and create enough division to pressure Council into denying Council-member Hadley her turn at Mayor and disenfranchise the majority of residents who voted for her. In my opinion, it is not Council-member Hadley who is responsible for the current culture of hate and division that is permeating our City and Council. Likewise, it is not Council-member Hadley who is keeping Manhattan Beach in the news. As I have expressed to you previously, I am sick and tired of hearing and reading how racist our City and police department are - neither are true! So to those on Council who continue to invite negative, unwanted, and unnecessary media scrutiny of our City and PD, please STOP! This not why I moved to and chose to raise my family in Manhattan Beach.

Sincerely,

Tracee Farrell

Martha Alvarez

From: Taylor Haden <btaylorhaden@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 12:45 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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Hello,

I am a resident of Manhattan Beach for 14 years. I've lived in multiple locations within in MB and tell you this because about 2 years ago we moved onto 30th street, only a few houses down from the Hadley's. They were the first ones to welcome us to the street and even offered to help us move items into our house (amongst many other things over the past 2 years). She's the only neighbor I've encountered that has done many things for us just because she felt like it. She's always speaks her mind, and we need that in our society today. I voted for her as a council member with the expectation she would become mayor one day. I hope this long standing tradition remains in place. Thank you.

- Taylor Haden

Martha Alvarez

From: Jeff Kreager <jakreager@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 12:40 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation

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Dear Councilmembers:

We are 36 year residents of Manhattan Beach and supported Suzanne Hadley's election to City Council.

At the time we voted for Suzanne, we understood and supported the City's long-standing protocol of having each duly elected councilmember serve as mayor during his/her term.

This practice has served the City well and we see no basis for modifying protocol because certain councilmembers are unhappy with its application to a particular councilmember.

The trend of changing the rules because one doesn't like the outcome, rather than because of some inherent lack of fairness, is far too prevalent at all levels of government these days. It is disturbing to see this trend manifest itself in the City of Manhattan Beach.

Implementation itself would be unfair and would unnecessarily politicize/polarize our local, supposedly non-partisan Council and City government.

We urge Council to reject modifying the current protocol.

Respectfully,

Jeff and Loretta Kreager
1740 10th St.
MB

Martha Alvarez

From: Dorit <dorit.anne.kehr@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 12:30 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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Dear MB City Council,

We have been MB residents since 1986 and are writing to voice our support for Council member Suzanne Hadley to take her turn in the rotation for mayor. Given that the rotation sequence has been done the same way for years, we are opposed to it being altered at this time.

Suzanne Hadley is an exemplary council member and deserves her turn as mayor. There has been enough political drama on the national level. We hope that the MB council does not sully our local politics with the same.

Sincerely,
Dorit Bollinger

Martha Alvarez

From: FRANCIS SCOTT <frankscott1@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 12:07 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Susan Hadley for Mayor

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I have resided in Manhattan Beach since 1974. It has always been a great, welcoming community. Recently, there's been a lot of nonsense about the nature of this city. I voted for Susan Hadley because of her common sense and her commitment to Manhattan Beach. Following city tradition, she should be confirmed as mayor, and I strongly urge the Council to so decide.

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: nisens@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 11:16 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Council Member Suzanne Hadley should be our next Mayor!

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Dear Mayor and Council:

As a 65 year resident of Manhattan Beach, I strongly support Council Member Suzanne Hadley as the next Mayor. I also strongly support the way the rotating process of becoming Mayor has been for as many years as I can remember. We do not need to make changes that politicize the process, and fuels the division in our community.

Sincerely,
Peggy Nisen

Lifetime MB resident, 35 year homeowner, 20 year MB business owner

Martha Alvarez

From: deborah parks <sunnyflyer66@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 10:10 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadleys position as Mayor

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Dear Council members,

I am a resident and homeowner in Manhattan Beach and have been since 1992. I have always cherished and appreciated our city council and the traditions they've upheld and always supported the city's history. That is one of the many reasons my and I voted for Suzanne Hadley for mayor. She is sincere in wanting what's truly best for our city in addition to being honest and strong and having good family values and integrity, which is really difficult to find in people these days.

We are incredibly upset that there is a chance that our "elected" Mayor may not be appointed to office on December 1st?! The idea that some people might be so sensitive or disagree with an opinion and then put together a plan to uphend our election that has already been decided is completely unbelievable. The people that are being loud and bullying the council to even consider this are not part of the lawmakers or have any authority and should not being given power over you.

I urge you to uphold your elected position and honor the choice of the residents that voted to elect Suzanne Hadley as Mayor. We all expect you to continue to do your job honestly and with integrity and move forward immediately in allowing her to begin her term as Mayor.

Respectfully,
Deborah and Chris Parks
609 Marine Ave
Manhattan Beach, 90266

Sent from my iPad

Martha Alvarez

From: Dorit <dorit_kehr@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 10:05 AM
To: List - City Council
Cc: Suzanne Hadley
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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To all MB City Council members,

I have been a resident in MB since 1986. I voted for Suzanne Hadley and am so glad that I did. When I had an issue with the city she was immediately responsive and followed up until the problem was resolved. Suzanne Hadley is an outstanding public servant and should be the next mayor of Manhattan Beach, as tradition dictates.

In these crazy times when the nation's election process was called into question via innuendo, it is more than ever important to abide by our democratic traditions..

Sincerely,

Dorit Kehr-Bollinger

Martha Alvarez

From: David Denitz <ddenitz@gatewaybp.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 9:03 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley-Mayor

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Good morning Council Members:

I fully support Suzanne Hadley's position as our next mayor. As I would for all members of the council regardless of their political affiliations as it becomes their turn. □

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Sincerely yours,

David Denitz

Principal

□

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Martha Alvarez

From: Jeff Davis <jeff@vintagecapital.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 9:01 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda on Mayors Seat

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I am ashamed of my city of 32 years that we have two current sitting council members, who were elected to serve the people, bowing to pressures of intolerants demanding changes in the rotating basis of our mayoral seat.

And who are these intolerants, truly! Who do they represent? What do they contribute to, other than disruption as their manner in which to protest. This city and it's citizens have held heads-high, as state and federal politicians, along with the media, fail to lead and present honesty. I demand we retain this stature!

Do not remove Suzanne from her rightful place in the Mayoral seat order I voted for her just for this reason, as did every vote cast in her favor. Do not set this precedent, as it will only continue to rear its ugly head down the road.

To even place this on the agenda is embarrassing for these two city council members.

Jeff Davis

Martha Alvarez

From: cheryl hoffman <cherylhof@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 8:56 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Suzanne Hadley

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Dear Council Members

I am saddened to see that there is a resolution to discuss Suzanne Hadley's qualifications to become our next mayor. As a 20+ year Manhattan Beach resident, I have never questioned the motivations of our council. So now I am wondering why, after so many years, the tradition of rotating our Mayor position is in question. Is it because some of you do not have the same beliefs as Suzanne? Is having different opinions a reason to cancel someone's job position? Don't we value diversity? If memory serves me correctly, Suzanne was number one during her election run, and others on the council were second, third or lower. She obviously has full support by many in this community and there is absolutely no reason for her to not serve as mayor during her designated rotation. Please do the right thing and immediately stop this improper behavior. Differences should be embraced, not canceled.

Thank you

Cheryl Hoffman, MD

Martha Alvarez

From: Gary Warburton <calsail@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 8:30 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral rotation

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Good Morning Council

As a 40 year Manhattan Beach resident and full time supporter of our City Council I urge you not to change the Mayoral rotation. I expect and demand that the people I help elect to our City Council have their opportunity to represent me as my mayor. And I will certainly support and respect my Mayor even if we disagree on various items.

Cheers

Gary Warburton
1511 Pacific Ave
Manhattan Beach

Sent from my iPad

Martha Alvarez

From: Dawn Turner <calidawn13@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2020 8:15 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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Dear City Council Members

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 26 years.

I voted for Suzanne Hadley to be on the City Council which includes her time as Mayor.

Please do not deny her ability to be Mayor.

Sincerely,

Best,
Dawn Pulver
310.553.3535

Martha Alvarez

From: greppu@verizon.net
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 9:16 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Succession/Rotation

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Dear Council Members,

I am a 32 year resident of Manhattan Beach. I voted for Suzanne Hadley because of her qualifications, her love of our city, and her advocacy all things that make our city a great place to live. I fully expect that on Dec. 1st she will become our Mayor which follows decades of historical precedent. We must reject attempts to change traditional mayoral succession that will result in divisiveness rather than foster the non-partisan behaviors which have served us well in the proper functioning of our city council.

George and Michele Reppucci

Martha Alvarez

From: John Osten <johnosten@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 9:02 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley mayor pro tem

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I have lived on MB for 50+ years and voted for Suzanne Hadley for the council after hearing many discussions between her and other candidates at the time and decided she was the most qualified as a council person to representing MB and as the Mayor. I see no reason why she should be denied the opportunity.

A witch hunt by a few is attempted mob mentality no place in MB.

There have been fau pas by numerous council members over the past 50 years even some Currently on the council. Votes for or against but all have continued to become mayor in there time.

I fully support Suzanne Hadley for our next Mayor and look forward to it!

Thank You

John Osten

50+ Year MB Resident

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: rambrose@citizensafety.org
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 8:39 PM
To: List - City Council; Hildy Stern; Richard Montgomery; Suzanne Hadley; Steve Napolitano; nhershman@citymb.info
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I support Suzanne Hadley as Mayor

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Hi City Council,

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 1987. I voted for Suzanne Hadley with an understanding that Suzanne would be Mayor because of our 50 year history of position rotation. All people who vote in this City need to be represented, Suzanne Hadley is representing me and my family.

Robert Ambrose, MBA, Ph.D.
Firefighter / Paramedic (ret)
Professor of Emergency Medicine (ret)
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Martha Alvarez

From: Ginger Finnegan <gfinnegan2@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 7:41 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support Suzanne Hadley Becoming Mayor

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To MB City Council,

I fully support Suzanne Hadley taking the Mayoral role as has been the tradition. I find it very offensive that some people are trying to change the normal rotation process because they don't like Suzanne's politics or views. She was elected to the Council and has many strong supporters in MB. If you want to change the mayoral rotation policy, wait until the next election and apply the same process to everyone after that.

Ginger Finnegan

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Martha Alvarez

From: Denise Norden <denisenorden@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 7:20 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Manhattan Beach Mayor

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To whom it may concern:

My husband and I purchased our home in Manhattan Beach in 1988 (32 years ago). We love living in this community and have been happy with being able to vote for city council members knowing that each of them would get a turn at being our mayor. We proudly voted for Suzanne Hadley knowing that she too would serve a mayor during her elected time.

Thank you,

Denise and Brian Norden

Sent from my iPad

Martha Alvarez

From: Debra Suard <dsuard@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 7:20 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral rotation (support)

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I would like to voice my support for the continuation of the traditional mayoral rotation for Suzanne Hadley.

Thank you,

Debra Suard
124 Shell Street
(MB homeowner for 30 years)

Martha Alvarez

From: Bonney Larson <bonney.larson@vistasir.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 6:31 PM
To: List - City Council
Cc: Bonney Larson
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Susan Hadley for Mayor

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I strongly support Susan Hadley for mayor. I have been a resident of MB for 40 years and I appreciate her leadership and her style of leadership.

I will be very disappointed if she is unjustly “pushed” out, of her rightful position.

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Martha Alvarez

From: Morrine Robey <mmrobey@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 4:34 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayor Rotation...No leave as is!!!

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City Council Members,

Please do not change the Mayor's Rotation, leave it as is, which has worked for years and been successful!

Such a shame that two council members that obviously have totally different views from the majority can try to ramrod their outrageous views.

My best thoughts are with you for a successful 2021.

Morrine Robey

Morrine Robey
ABR, CRS, GRI, RPM, SRES

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Martha Alvarez

From: Jim Van Zanten <jim.vanzanten@vistasir.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 4:27 PM
To: List - City Council
Cc: Jim Van Zanten
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation in Manhattan Beach

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I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 1978 except for three years (1980-1983). It has come to my attention that there is a movement to subvert the normal, traditional rotation of the Mayor's office.

This rotation is a 50-year custom that is part of being a councilperson.

The problem with politics today is that it has become too personal. Each of you is voted in to represent a point of view. When my dad was mayor and councilman for the city of El Cajon, the mayor rotation was in effect in the 1960's. The difference from then to now is this: everyone voted their point of view, and afterwards they were friends. What's wrong with that approach?

I have voted for Suzanne Hadley, Nancy Hershman, Richard Montgomery and Steve Napolitano. I expect each to serve as mayor. I expect Hildy Stern to be mayor as well. This position is simply an honor that runs with the council.

Let's skip the partisanship and keep the council friendly. Otherwise, next comes the lawsuits and then we can be like the city of Carson where they call each other names. Everyone loses.

Jim Van Zanten
310.466.1004
1461 21st Street
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Martha Alvarez

From: LISA PULVER <sed8s@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 4:22 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Suzanne Hadley turn as Mayor

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Dear City Council Members,

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 26 years.

I voted for Suzanne Hadley to be on the City Council which includes her time as Mayor.

Please do not deny her ability to be Mayor.

Sincerely,
Lisa Elbert Pulver
563 33rd street
MBCH

Martha Alvarez

From: Cynthia STRAND <strands739@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 4:21 PM
To: List - City Council
Cc: Bruce Moe
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation

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Dear City Council Members:

I am writing in support of our council member, Suzanne Hadley. She has shown herself to be a caring and concerned citizen of our community for many years. Even if you do not agree with her on the issues, one would have to admit she is devoted to Manhattan Beach.

The rotation of mayor in our city has been in place for many years. It has always worked well and been instrumental in keeping the position itself fair and balanced..... everyone gets a chance at the top seat. This system needs to remain in place and Suzanne needs to be able to rotate in as the next mayor. For those who are against Suzanne, trying to change the system to satisfy their dislike is wrong and must be stopped.

I urge all of you to keep the mayoral rotation as it has been for years. Do not attempt to 'fix' something that is not broken.

Regards,

Cyndi Strand
739 27th St.
MB

Sent from my iPad

Martha Alvarez

From: Paul Isley <pti@rainforestflora.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 4:05 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] On the Rotating Mayorship

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Dear Council,

I have lived in Manhattan Beach since 1978 and I love this town for many reasons not the least of which has been the approachability of most of the council members over that span. In addition, I appreciate the way our beach city has become the poster child for convenient and well run coastal communities that it is. Now I have heard that there are some who, for the first time since I've lived here, want to disregard the rotating mayorship that has always stood for as a symbol of order, fellowship, and the democratic ideal—something that is only earned with the passage of time.

Maybe this effort is emblematic of the unsettled times we live in but whatever the real reason(s), it needs to be stopped in its tracks. While its breaking with tradition will send the wrong message to many and the fact that it is blatantly unfair to Mrs. Hadley is also obvious, the main problem is that by doing this the harmonic and orderly handing off of the mayorship from one person to another that has been a hallmark of our city leadership for long will be shattered and who knows what mischievousness this could lead to down the line.

Sincerely,

Paul T. Isley III
1400 3rd St.

Martha Alvarez

From: Greg Vena <greg@venavineyards.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 3:44 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Selection of Mayor

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Dear Councilmembers:

I am writing to you today to show my support for Mayor Pro Tem Suzanne Hadley and her prospective elevation to Mayor during the next cycle. My wife Jennifer and I have been residents of Manhattan Beach for the past 22 years and we have previously voted for Ms. Hadley for City Council. In fact, I voted for many of you on the current city council. I understand that it is tradition that Ms. Hadley is to become Mayor in the upcoming term. I also understand that there may be a vocal minority in the community that wishes to prevent Ms. Hadley from becoming Mayor. One of the main reasons why we voted for Ms. Hadley is her ability to speak directly and plainly and utilize common sense principles when approaching the important issues facing our city. These qualities seem to be in short supply in our elected officials. I am confident that there is a strong (mostly silent) majority of Manhattan Beach residents who feel that we need more representatives like Ms. Hadley, not less. We would all be extremely disappointed if tradition is broken, a bad precedent is set that a small group of vocal residents can have such influence and Ms. Hadley is denied her opportunity to represent us as Mayor.

Please do not let a small group of agitated residents dictate and alter tradition. Please vote to elevate Suzanne Hadley to Mayor. I know that she will represent the city well. Thank you.

Gregory F. Vena

President

Vena Vineyards

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Martha Alvarez

From: Greg Fant <gregoryfant@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 3:27 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Rotation of Mayor

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I have been a Manhattan Beach resident for 44 years. The rotation of the mayor's office among the Council members is a long tradition. I do not necessarily agree with every vote or statement by Suzanne Hadley, but she has served honestly, faithfully and honorably as a Council member and should take her turn as Mayor. Her political opponents should not be allowed to hijack the City's traditions in order to selfishly serve their own interests.

Gregory Fant
1460 21st St
Manhattan Beach 90266

Martha Alvarez

From: Jean Van Zanten <jimvanzanten@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 3:23 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Message to the Council

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Dear Council,

As a Manhattan Beach resident for over 37 years, I wish my voice to be heard.

Please allow Mayor Pro Tem Suzanne Hadley to properly assume her office on December 1, as per the 50-year traditional rotation of Manhattan Beach council members. I voted for Suzanne with the understanding she would be Mayor, and would have her rightful place to represent us!

Sincerely,
Jean Van Zanten

Martha Alvarez

From: Fred Antman <fred.antman5@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 3:23 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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I support Suzanne Hadley for mayor of Manhattan Beach. I am a 30 year resident.

Thank you, Fred Antman

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Martha Alvarez

From: Joe Ferrell <joeferrell47@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 2:56 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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My family moved to Manhattan Beach in 1957 and my wife and I have lived here for almost 50 years. Our experience with Suzanne has been nothing but positive. She has been very responsive to our concerns and shares our values regarding the future of the city. We know she has helped other community members with their problems regarding issues with the city.

There is absolutely no reason for her not to assume the role of mayor—a long-standing tradition in MB. Please don't give in to the few whiners out there.

Respectfully,
Joe and Jackie Ferrell

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: Arnold Peter <apeter@peterlawgroup.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 2:49 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley's Mayoral Rotation

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Dear Mayor and Council Members:

I have been a Manhattan Beach resident for over 20 years. I voted for and support Suzanne Hadley. The fact that I voted for Suzanne is irrelevant to my opinion that Suzanne should assume her rotational appointment as Mayor. There is no reason to override history and precedent that has served the City so well.

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Martha Alvarez

From: Barbara Johnson <bjtennisdog@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 2:06 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 1991. My husband and I both voted for Suzanne Hadley with the understanding that she would be a council person and Mayor at the correct rotation.

Please don't be persuaded by people who want to run our city with only their agendas.

We are the people who have supported the city, the schools and communities.

We expect the votes that were cast to be upheld, not changed because some feel their opinions are entitlement.

Thank you,

Barbara Johnson

310/962-1883 mobile

Martha Alvarez

From: Kelly sultemeier <kellysulteme@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 2:03 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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Dear City Council,

I have been a resident of MB for 8 years. In that time, I have supported and voted for both David and Suzanne Hadley. I voted for Suzanne with the understanding that she would have the opportunity to represent the residents as mayor. Please allow her this honor.

Thank you.

Kelly Sultemeier
210-364-2141

Martha Alvarez

From: Kristin S <texaskristin@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:44 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne for Mayor

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Hello City Council team,
I am writing to express my support for Suzanne Hadley and for the long standing tradition that she become the next mayor of Manhattan Beach on Dec 1.

There is no clear reason she should not be elected and she does not deserve the negative attention she is getting. I understand that tensions and sensitivities are running high as a result of covid and the stress it has caused, but Mrs. Hadley has become an unfair target. She is entirely qualified and will represent our city well. I am disappointed to see publications like the Patch publishing one person's opinion and casting doubt on her clear ability to effectively lead as mayor of Manhattan Beach.

I ask that the council focus on her ability and accomplishments, and not on a few loud voices who are determined to unfairly bring her down. It is important to maintain precedent and tradition during such a tumultuous and unprecedented time. Now is not the time to allow a handful of upset people to disrupt the entire structure of the council and mayoral position. It sets a bad future precedent and gives people the impression that the council will not stand firm under pressure for other issues in the future.

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 12 years and would like to see a strong, sensible woman such as Mrs. Hadley step into the role as mayor. I voted for her knowing that she would step into the mayoral role and hope she has the opportunity to do so.

Thank you,
Kristin Sistos
MB resident since 2008

Martha Alvarez

From: Rose Osten <rcosten@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:37 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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I have lived in Manhattan Beach for over 50 years and voted for Suzanne to be on city council. I think it's totally unfair to deny her being mayor - good grief - she expressed remorse over her statement and isn't the council suppose to be a diverse group - you can never state a controversial opinion. I'm sure other members may have said things they regret. Our major Richard Montgomery was opposed to changing the name of Culican park to Bruce's Beach many years ago. Is he still suppose to be crucified for something he said that he may now regret. I strongly support Suzanne having her turn as mayor. If you want to protest her being on council do it with your vote when she runs for reelection. I don't like the idea of mob mentality taking charge of a legitimate process.

Rose Osten

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: Barret Pulver <bbpulver@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:30 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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Dear City Council Members,

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 26 years.

I voted for Suzanne Hadley to be on the City Council which includes her time as Mayor.

Please do not deny her ability to be Mayor.

Sincerely,

Barret Pulver
310-890-3698 | bbpulver@aol.com
633 35th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Martha Alvarez

From: bonefish27@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:23 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Hadley

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Dear members, Please do the right thing and allow Susan Hadley her correct turn as mayor of our fine city. Do not play politics and change tradition.

Sincerely,

John Whitaker

Martha Alvarez

From: Vicki Tyler <vickitylernz@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:22 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley support

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Dear City Council Members

We bought our first home in MB in 2003, 17 years ago.

We are appalled at the prospect the “squeaky wheel” may ultimately mean Suzanne Hadleys time as Mayor of MB is jeopardised.

We voted for Suzanne and some of you and we hope you will support her the same way we would support you, should you ever find yourselves in this deplorable position.

Vicki Tyler
310-965-6868

Martha Alvarez

From: Brandi Samuelian <brandi1@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 1:17 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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Hi!

I have been an MB resident since 2011 when we moved from the east coast.

I am disappointed to hear some people are not supporting the next mayor rotation and letting Suzanne Hadley take her turn.

As an MB resident I fully support Suzanne's right to take the mayor rotation spot and truly hope she isn't denied. I voted with this expectation and changing something just because someone doesn't agree with you is NOT a reason. She deserves her rotation

Thank you
Brandi Samuelian

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: Megan Seth <meganin310@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 11:40 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for Mayor

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Dear Council,

I am more than disappointed to hear the opposition to Suzanne Hadley for mayor after this 50 year system of rotation. The timing sure is ironic. Suzanne Hadley has earned her position with outstanding support from Manhattan Beach residents and I am confident that she will do excellent work.

Thank you,
Megan Seth

Martha Alvarez

From: Mina Arnao <minaarnao@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 11:33 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] In Support of Suzanne Hadley

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Dear Council Members:

I fully support Suzanne Hadley and the continued long-standing protocol of rotating the mayoral position. If there is a valid reason for changing this at the last minute, I'm sure everyone would like to hear it. Otherwise, let's move on.

Thank you.
Mina Arnao

Martha Alvarez

From: Debra Geist <citegeist@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 11:08 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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To the honorable City Council of Manhattan Beach,

Suzanne Hadley was duly elected to City Council and hence mayor per the established laws of our community. Just a reminder that Hadley had a larger vote margin than her co council member, Hildy Stern. The pending council action to start Hadley's position as mayor is a purely perfunctory act that has never merited much attention. It is Hadley's turn in the rotation, let's move on with it!

This squabble to have Council skip the rotation is foolishness! I don't agree with all Hadley's views but I support her leadership. Council cannot now thwart an election and the will of the majority of voters who supported her then as now.

Don't initiate a dangerous precedent that many will be unhappy with when their duly elected council member is challenged as mayor. What goes around comes around! This attempted coup threatens to seriously undermine the legitimacy of elected leadership in Manhattan Beach. So like the worst of Trump!

Respectfully, Debra Geist

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: Alexandria Latragna
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 10:20 AM
Subject: Re: The Absurd - not allowed to throw a football on green belt below Sand Dune Park

BCC: City Council

Hello,

Staff will respond to the concerns below.

Thank you,



ALEXANDRIA LATRAGNA
MANAGEMENT ANALYST

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From: Ed Balazs <ebalazs4@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 1:21 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] The Absurd - not allowed to throw a football on green belt below Sand Dune Park

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Hope you all had a nice and relaxing Thanksgiving. I really hate complaining, but we have reached the point of absurd.

I have been throwing a football to my 14 year old son using the greenbelt just south of Sand Dune Park (next to where Council person Hadley lives) since March with no issue.

10 minutes ago I was there again with my son and a friend of his. No one else was using the area/field other than us. Suddenly a park & recs person came over and told us (A) we need our face masks on (no

problem; we had them with us & had pulled them down since NO ONE ELSE WAS NEAR US) and (B) he then told us we were not allowed to play there. He kicked us out.

I argued with him that we have been playing their frequently (several times per week) for months and months with no problem. No one has ever told us we could not throw the football there. Note; we did avoid it briefly when City parks were closed, but I believe they are all opened. He then said we need a reservation to use that area. You must be kidding me was my response.

That is crazy!!! I understand needing a reservation to use/climb the Dune, but to play on the Greenbelt? That is just nuts. I have lived in this neighborhood since 2003 and have always used this area freely.

Please explain. We were being safe. We were outdoors. We had face masks. This sent me a bit over the edge with just how inane it is.

Best Regards,

Ed Balazs

585 27th Street

Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Martha Alvarez

From: Kathleen Terry <terrymanna2@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 10:11 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Regarding Mayor Rotation

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Dear City Council,

I usually don't write but felt I need to this time. I believe Council Member Hadley should be given her rightful place as Mayor of MB. For 50 years it has been the tradition for every councilperson to have a 9 month rotation as Mayor. This rotation helps to keep politics out of our non-partisan city council. I don't think we should change this tradition.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Terry
310-938-1538

Martha Alvarez

From: CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info on behalf of City of Manhattan Beach
<CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info>
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2020 8:15 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] vote of Mayor Pro Tem

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Message submitted from the <City of Manhattan Beach> website.

Site Visitor Name: judy lang
Site Visitor Email: jalang44@aol.com

As a long time resident of Manhattan Beach i'm proud of our city managers and stand behind the adoption of a short term mayor position making us unique in structure I do not see Suzanne Hadley as pro tem. She is an embarssment and does not speak for me.this is non partisan request . The ability is think before you speak should be a requisite to this position.



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From: E. Anthony Kalinowski <tkalinowski@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 9:04 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayor Pro Tem Hadley

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Councilmembers,

Having been a resident and homeowner, in Manhattan Beach for the last 10 years, I am very happy to be a voting member of this wonderful community. I am very disturbed to learn that several of our councilmembers are attempting to introduce a motion to disrupt the normal mayoral succession that is scheduled to occur on December 1.

Suzanne Hadley was elected to the city council with the expectation that she would assume the position in the expected rotation, just like the other four elected councilmembers. I do understand that some residents may not currently support her for this position, but this could be the case with any councilmember. If enough residents feel this way, we will find out in the next election. If the process of mayoral succession needs to be changed, it should be addressed separately and not in a way that singles out one councilmember when it is perceived that she is vulnerable.

An attempt to block her from assuming the office at this time strikes me as blatantly partisan, playing into the repugnant "cancel culture" that is eroding the mutual respect and civility in our city that make it such a desirable place to call home. I urge you to continue the process of mayoral succession as it is at this time.

Edward Kalinowski, MD
848 14th St.
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Martha Alvarez

From: Periann Yanofsky <yanofone@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 8:20 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] mayoral rotation...

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Hi all...

Hope you all had a very nice Thanksgiving and I am grateful for all that you do for our wonderful community.

I am very concerned to hear that there are those on city council questioning the mayoral rotation which has been in place for 50 years I believe.

This is surprising since this has worked for such a very long time. What is most disturbing is that this seems to be politically motivated.

Please know that I am in full support of Mayor Pro Tem Hadley.

Thanks for your time

Periann Yanofsky

Martha Alvarez

From: thomas seth <tomin310@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 7:46 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley for mayor

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Suzanne Hadley has earned and deserves the right to be the next mayor of Manhattan Beach! I'm confident she will do an excellent job!!!

Thank you,

Tom

Sent from the beach

Martha Alvarez

From: Terry Warburton <stitchem1@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 7:14 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation Process

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I have heard there is an agenda item for the Dec. 1st meeting regarding the mayoral rotation process. This process is a truly fair way of making sure each council member has a period as mayor, serving their constituents equally. Would it be possible to explain to me the reasoning behind this agenda item? Are you attempting to change this process? If so, can you tell me the reasoning behind this as well? Thank you in advance, Terry Warburton

Sent from my iPad

Martha Alvarez

From: Kristin Long <klongs@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 7:04 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation

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Honorable Members of Council:

I recently heard about the attempts to delay Suzanne Hadley her turn in the mayoral rotation. I strongly oppose this act by certain members of Council and sincerely hope that it is dropped from the agenda with Mayor Pro Tem Hadley assuming the mayoral position as she was scheduled to do.

The reasoning behind the motion confuses me. I read Councilmember Hersman's responses to commenters, but they only left me stunned and embarrassed.

Delaying the transition because of the pandemic, because "some" argue that "no organization should change leadership in a crisis" is not a concrete argument. "Some" could also argue that what we need is new leadership to get out of the crisis.

Yes, Mayor Montgomery has done a good job, but his mayoral term has ended. We voted for him to remain on council so he will again be able to lead us as mayor in the future. When it is his turn.

If "a new mayor places an additional workload on staff who are already working 7 days a week", I'm concerned about how the City is operating and why it isn't operating more efficiently.

I have read the comments by fellow members of the community, and by my count, of the 121 unique comments (give or take a few, because it was sometimes unclear whether it was in fact a "unique" commenter), 120 were against the change in mayoral rotation, while only 1 person was in favor. This particular commenter worries that Ms. Hadley won't be able to lead Manhattan Beach City Council fairly because "she has such strong opinions and shares them freely".

My neighbor's comment is precisely WHY I support Mayor Pro Tem Hadley.

Admittedly, I didn't vote for her last year when she won her seat on Council by 748 votes over the next Council Member. But she has since earned my respect, my vote, and my support. 100%.

While I don't agree with everything Mayor Pro Tem Hadley has said, I could not be more impressed by what I've seen from her over the past year and a half. I have no doubt that she represents and cares about our community. I genuinely feel like she hears what we're saying. She addresses our concerns, and she's not afraid to express her opinion. She doesn't respond with generic and politically-safe messages. She responds with answers, suggestions, and commentary. I respect that.

I don't understand the real reasons behind this "delay" motion, but it doesn't sound genuine. It sounds petty. There's a precedent of mayoral rotation in Manhattan Beach that has existed for more than 40 years. There's a reason for that. Please don't change it. Please allow Mayor Pro Tem Hadley to assume her role as Mayor on December 1, 2020.

Sincerely,
Kristin Long Drew
122 23rd Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Martha Alvarez

From: Sarah Schneider <frausaschneider@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 6:42 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] I Support Suzanne Hadley

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Dear city council members,

My husband and I support Suzanne Hadley to be the upcoming Mayor. Denying Council Member Hadley the opportunity to assume the mayoral position undermines the community's voice and vote. Suzanne Hadley will be an great Mayor and our community will benefit from her experience and leadership.

Thank You

Sarah Schneider

Manhattan Beach Resident

Martha Alvarez

From: Loralie Ogden <logden456@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 5:29 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Science. First hand experience

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While I am NOT a fan of Nextdoor, this post is exceptional. I think you will like this post on Nextdoor. Check it out here: https://nextdoor.com/p/8ZQmKssqqscw?utm_source=share

I am totally opposed to shutting outdoor dining but we are in a serious place. Many diners and restaurants are not enforcing the policies. MB might be behind the rest of LA in its numbers but we are catching up and by next week, after Thanksgiving family gatherings, we will be treading in dangerous territory. I hope we will take this more seriously and not be so dismissive of CDC and Dept of Health. Please be a unified voice and remember, we are NOT the school board. Let them take care of their own side of the street. Let's enforce our city guidelines. If we do our economy our economy can reopen more quickly and boy, can't we all use THAT.

Best, Loralie Ogden

310-980-2122

Martha Alvarez

From: Robert Snyder <bobbysnyder100@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 4:34 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Susan Hadley

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Susan must be named the next Mayor in accordance with established protocol. Any delay would be an injustice to the citizens and voters of Manhattan Beach who elected Susan and the rest of City Council.

Please do not be misled by a few leftists who are trying to ruin the tranquility and normality of Manhattan Beach.

Thank you
Bobby Snyder
MB resident

Sent from my iPhone
Bobby Snyder

Martha Alvarez

From: Michael Monaghan <michaelcmonaghan@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 3:09 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Mayor Pro Tem Hadley

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Dear Mayor Montgomery and Council

As council member, Mayor pro tem Hadley has demonstrated strong leadership skills, a deep grasp of complex issues, and consistently delivered the best solutions.

Without further ado, and according to longstanding tradition, we look forward to Mayor Hadley's leadership.

Very Respectfully,

-- Michael

Michael C. Monaghan
Sand Section

Martha Alvarez

From: Ed Balazs <ebalazs4@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 1:22 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] The Absurd - not allowed to throw a football on green belt below Sand Dune Park

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Hope you all had a nice and relaxing Thanksgiving. I really hate complaining, but we have reached the point of absurd.

I have been throwing a football to my 14 year old son using the greenbelt just south of Sand Dune Park (next to where Council person Hadley lives) since March with no issue.

10 minutes ago I was there again with my son and a friend of his. No one else was using the area/field other than us. Suddenly a park & recs person came over and told us (A) we need our face masks on (no problem; we had them with us & had pulled them down since NO ONE ELSE WAS NEAR US) and (B) he then told us we were not allowed to play there. He kicked us out.

I argued with him that we have been playing their frequently (several times per week) for months and months with no problem. No one has ever told us we could not throw the football there. Note; we did avoid it briefly when City parks were closed, but I believe they are all opened. He then said we need a reservation to use that area. You must be kidding me was my response.

That is crazy!!! I understand needing a reservation to use/climb the Dune, but to play on the Greenbelt? That is just nuts. I have lived in this neighborhood since 2003 and have always used this area freely.

Please explain. We were being safe. We were outdoors. We had face masks. This sent me a bit over the edge with just how inane it is.

Best Regards,

Ed Balazs
585 27th Street
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Martha Alvarez

From: J U <theugroup@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 12:33 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley as our Mayor

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As a long time resident and business advisor in Manhattan Beach, I am shocked and disappointed that the 50-year democratic tradition of peaceful mayoral term rotation is now being challenged for political reasons. Do not let Manhattan Beach fall prey to the politicized environment dividing the rest of the country. Our Council has been elected by the people and Councilwoman Hadley should rightfully serve the term she is due. What an embarrassment, and complete waste of time and taxpayer dollars, to push two Councilwomen's personal agendas in this manner.

Thank you

John Uriostegui

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: A Marshall <asarmar5@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2020 8:54 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager; Suzanne Hadley
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral rotation.

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Although we have lived in Manhattan Beach for 40 years, I have not been actively involved in the Manhattan Beach City Council happenings until COVID Pandemic times. In these last months I have found myself drawn to the NextDoor Community. Within this context I have gotten to know much more about what has been happening in Manhattan Beach.

I have discovered a deep division in our community in response to the issues and decision around COVID. I appreciate that most of the Council members have not used NextDoor as a platform to expand their influence. I have not experienced that with Suzanne Hadley. I saw her on MSNBC and then became more aware of her when she started using NextDoor to get people to support her positions on how to respond to COVID. I was very concerned that she was an active participant in the demonstration in trying to have the businesses open. She started a post on NextDoor asking that we question and pressure the school district and Janice Hahn regarding school opening. Her post and demonstration participation were very divisive. https://nextdoor.com/news_feed/?post=157580856&comment=445243346

She has not been a unify voice in our community. In this upcoming year COVID and our response to it will continue to be the central focus of our country and our community. We need a mayor that has demonstrated the desire to be a leader that helps bring us together. At least, for this upcoming year, I think that Manhattan Beach needs someone that has shown himself or herself to be a leader that puts aside his/her own personal and specific supporter's opinions and looks to lead our whole community through these uncertain times.

I would like to thank Richard Montgomery for the calm, unifying voice that has been seen on the council this year. Although the mayor is an honorary position, the mayor can and does exert a strong influence on the cohesiveness of the council and therefore our community.

Thank you for your kind attention,
Alicia Marshall

Martha Alvarez

From: Bradford Williams <bradfordp47@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2020 9:43 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Council rotation for Mayor

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For this customary rotation I am in full support of Mayor Pro Tem Hadley.

Respectfully,
Brad

Martha Alvarez

From: Bradford Williams <bradfordp47@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2020 9:33 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] tri-quarterly change of mayor

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For a very long time the position of mayor on the Manhattan Beach City Council has been filled on a rotating basis, for a 9 month term, among the current council members. I am disgusted to hear that this process/custom, that has worked so well in the past, is now being questioned by current City Council member Hildy Stern and her cohort, Nancy Hershman. I am further appalled that an issue that appears politically motivated, as this does, is even on the agenda for your upcoming Council meeting on December 1, 2020

Respectfully
Brad

Martha Alvarez

From: Christopher Gebhardt <cg@stir-ss.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2020 8:55 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne

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Dear Council, please allow Mayor Pro Tem, Suzanne Hadley to properly assume her office on December 1, as per the 50-year traditional rotation of Manhattan Beach for council members.

Some on the council are apparently considering changing the long-tradition of a rotating system for the position of mayor due to their objection of Suzanne's views and stated positions.

Regardless of your perspective about her views, surely we can all agree she is entitled to them and has a right to express them.

If you seek to change this mayor rotation tradition, then propose an alternative, such as a yearly vote of the council to choose the mayor. Do it properly and in an above board way. Otherwise, you will have vitiated a city tradition in service of your opinion, which I'm quite certain the rotational system was meant to avoid in the spirit of having the position rise above day to day politics.

If you believe that her comments disqualify her from assuming this role, then you must create a new mechanism to allocate the mayoral position, one that is based on the standing and support each councilperson holds at the point of selection. Better still, if you feel that the rotational system is inherently flawed because it does not allow for contemporaneous considerations and factors, change the system so that the citizens can make the determination by voting on the mayor.

Please do the right thing rather than choosing virtue signalling over community well-being and harmony. This isn't about Suzanne's views versus yours. This is about doing the right thing in the historical context of this community.

Sincerely,
Christopher Gebhardt



Christopher Gebhardt | Stir Strategy and Story | [310 613 0890](tel:3106130890) | cg@stir-ss.com

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Martha Alvarez

From: Mary Courtney <messysuzie@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2020 7:52 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Holiday parking

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Thank you! A great tradition in MB

Martha Alvarez

From: Diana Bell <dianacbell@earthlink.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2020 10:55 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Holiday 2-hour Free Parking...Thank you!!!

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That was a lovely letter you sent out today to support our local businesses! I also am thrilled with the links within the letter which makes it easy for people.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Diana Bell
Resident & alumni for decades 😊
KW Beach Cities

Martha Alvarez

From: Jill Kohler <jkohlermail@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2020 9:45 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Suzanne Hadley

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As a citizen of Manhattan Beach I am asking that you allow Suzanne Hadley to have her term as mayor of our city. As a voter I was under the assumption that she would serve a term as our mayor.

Thank you,
Jill Kohler

Martha Alvarez

From: Lisa Taub <lisamtaub@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 25, 2020 6:47 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Thank you for the free meters for the holidays

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Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: freebuddha <barkingbuddha@earthlink.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 11:23 PM
To: citycouncil@hermosabeach.gov; List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: happy thanksgiving!!!! (and newsmag, oann, news) -- can also contact the assembly of CA - James Gallagher, Kevin Kiley to overturn LA County, Public Health legislature - they do not have the legislature power given to them to make this l...

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Subject: Re: FW: happy thanksgiving!!!! (and newsmag, oann, news) -- can also contact the assembly of CA - James Gallagher, Kevin Kiley (twitter) to overturn LA County, Public Health legislature - they do not have the legislature power given to them to make this legislation

santa monica:

FW:

for all outdoor dining in CA and southern CA,
and all states

[Nils Nehrenheim, Redondo Beach City Council, District 1 - Home | Facebook](#)

city councilmen Nils Nehrenheim of Redondo Beach -- sample letter for small businesses to stay operating and families working.

(there are doctors who can also testify that outdoor dining is not a public threat.)



MAJOR UPDATE TO THE OUTDOOR DINING BAN: We need you!

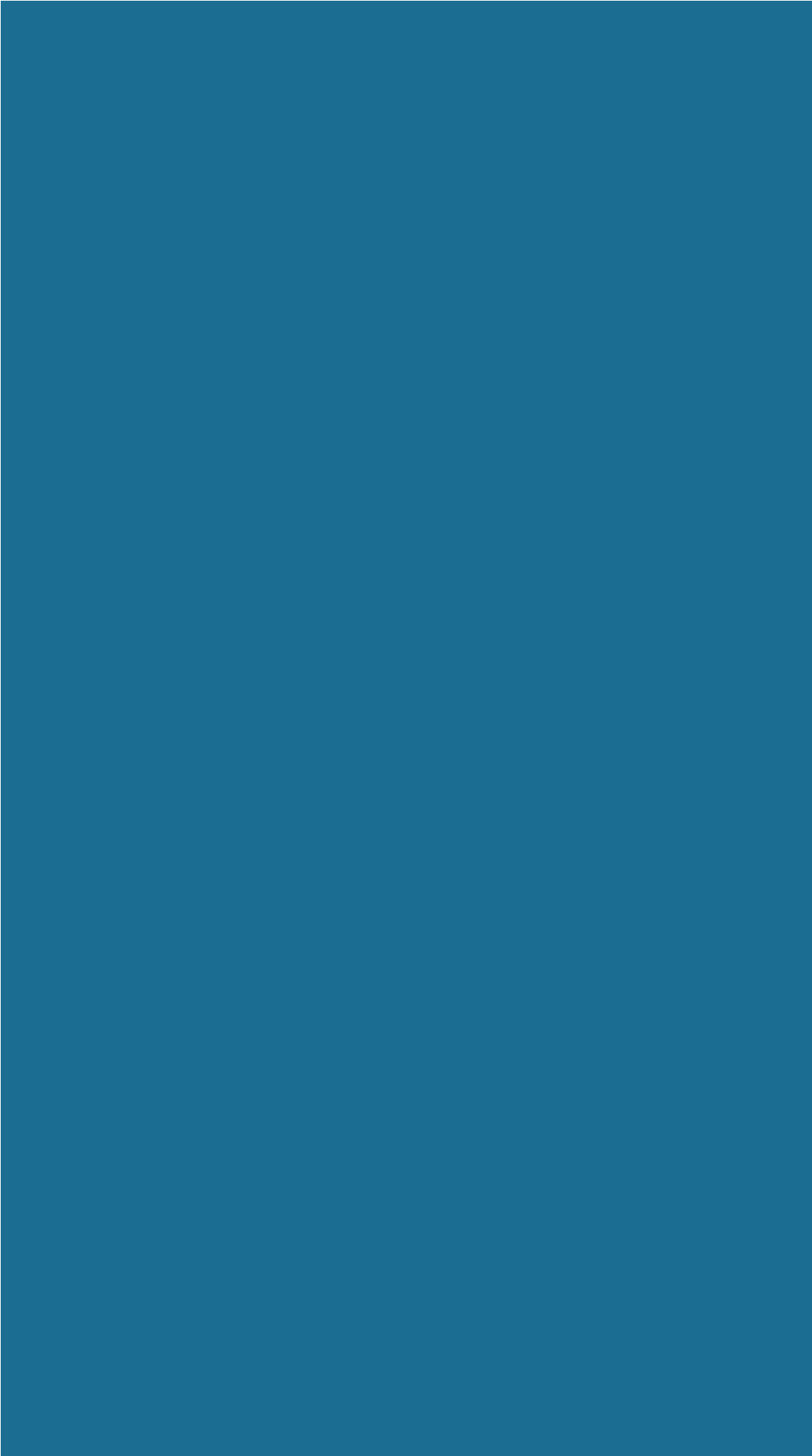
The requirement prohibiting outdoor dining in LA County **HAS NOT YET BEEN PASSED!**

We have been notified by one of the Beach Cities' Mayors that Director Ferrera's order requires a vote of the LA County Board of Supervisors **TOMORROW (Tuesday) MORNING at 9:30AM.**

*All 11 Riviera Village Board members voted in record time to
OPPOSE the BAN.*

LA COUNTY NEWS
LA County Supervisor Openly Opposes Restaurant
Shutdown In Stunning Rebuke to Health
Department

Kathryn Burger calls the closures, set to take effect on Wednesday night, an "unnecessary
overreaction"
10/14/2020 10:15:00 AM



Additionally, we have gotten wind that one of the supervisors does **NOT** support the Outdoor Dining Closure to generate hundreds of comments and unify our voices.

The Riviera Village Association IMPLORES you to do the following:

1) **Leave an “Oppose” comment** in regards to Agenda Item S-1, specifically the prohibition of Outdoor Dining. Your voice heard.

Leave your "oppose" comment [HERE](#).

The full Agenda can be found [HERE](#).

2) The Mayor of Redondo has expressed his opposition to the prohibition of Outdoor Dining, and it would be helpful to have the Hermosa and Manhattan Mayors do the same through e-comments. If you have a direct line of contact to either, please

citycouncil@hermosabeach.gov (all members) or cityclerk@hermosabeach.gov

[Contact the City | City of Manhattan Beach \(citymb.info\)](#)

Richard Montgomery, mayor (good mayor)

[1400 Highland Avenue](#)
[Manhattan Beach, CA 90266](#)

[\(310\) 802-5000](#)

We're running out of time! Please comment on the matter ASAP so it becomes part of the public record.

Thank you for your help! We can do this!


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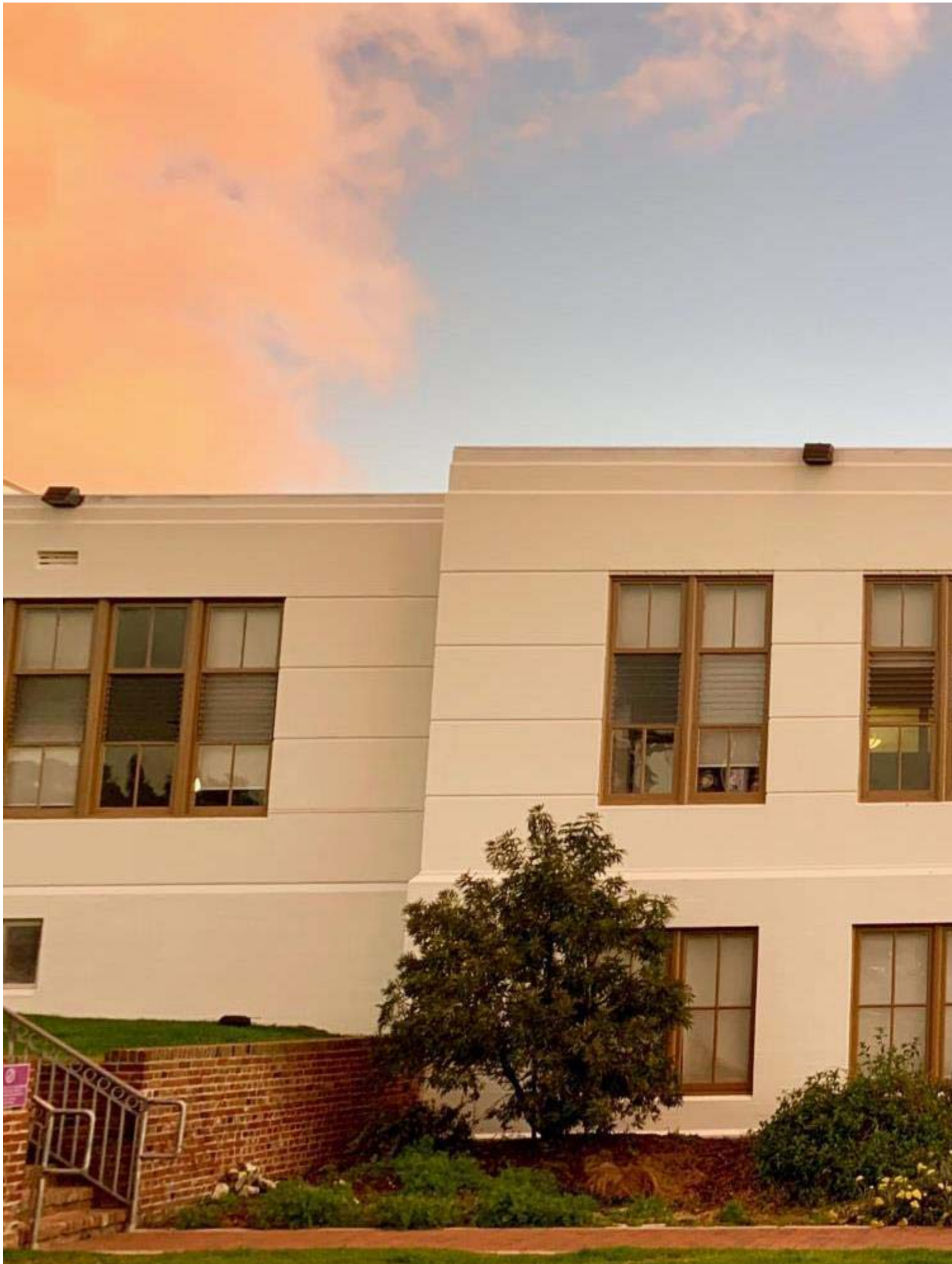
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Program Webpages: [Community Theatre](#) | [Hermosa Five-O Senior Center](#)



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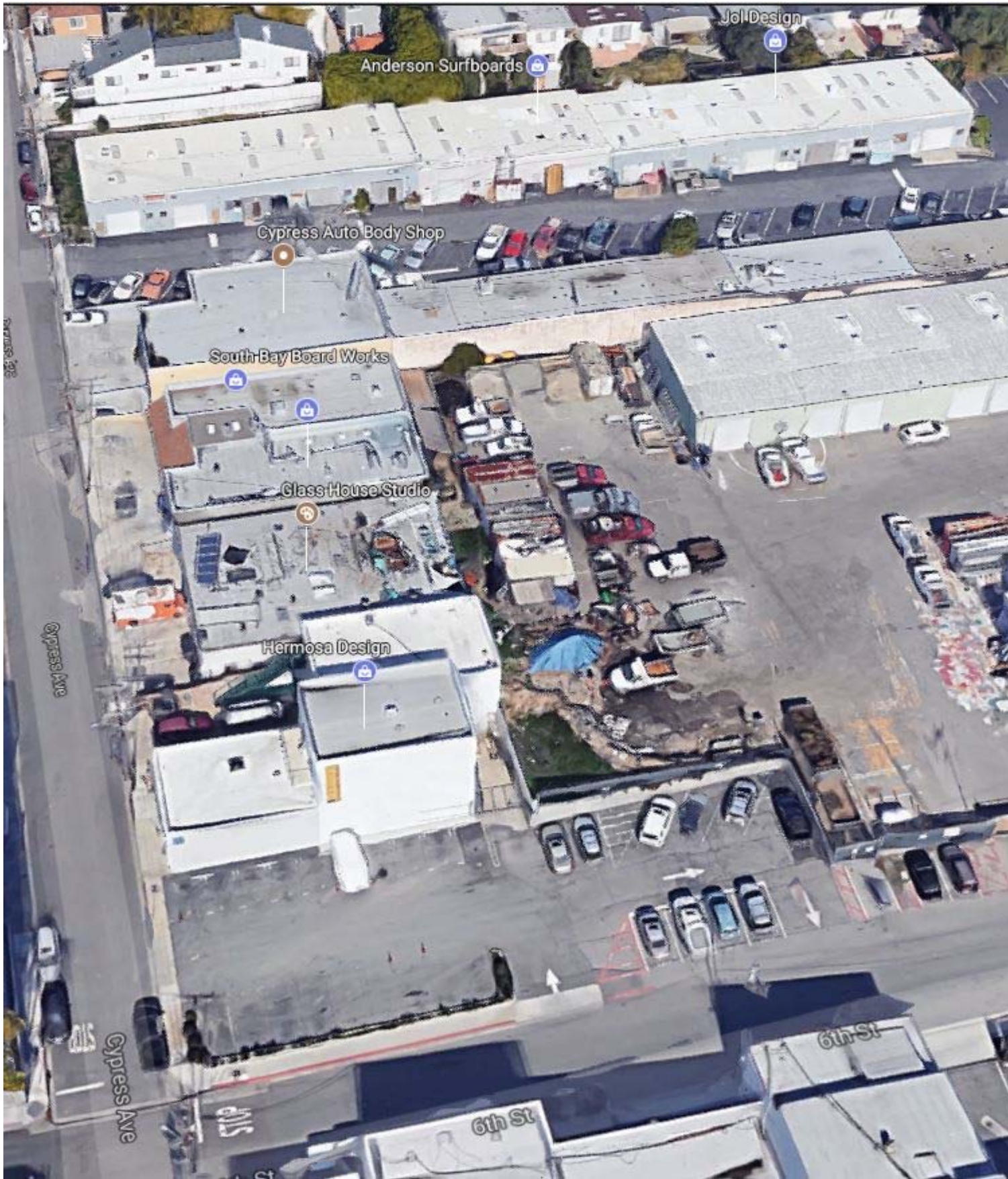
Website: [Los Angeles County Fire Department](#)



Police Sta

- **Address:** 540 Pier Avenue, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254
- **Hours:** Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- **Records/Business Office** – (310) 318-0360 - phone line monitored 24/7, open Monday

Website: [Hermosa Beach Police Department](#)



524-2750

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- Beach Cities Health District
- Hermosa Beach City School District
 - Hermosa Valley School
 - Hermosa View School
- Hermosa Beach Library (Los Angeles County)
- Hermosa Beach Post Office - 565 Pier Avenue - 310-376-3252
- Los Angeles County Department of Beaches & Harbors
- Los Angeles County Lifeguards – Hermosa Beach Southern Section – 1201 The Strand
- Trash/recycling services - Athens Services
- Utilities - natural gas, power, telecommunications, water

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[Rep. Jordan: Americans should enjoy Thanksgiving without lockdowns \(rumble.com\)](#)

THREAD: A summary of what we just heard from the L.A. County Department of Public Health indoor/outdoor dining - "best info we have".

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-----Original Message-----

FW:

www.peacewithgod.net

24/7 chaplain prayer for congressmen

Dow Jones Tops 30,000 for the first time ever . The reason

[@realDonaldTrump](#)

. Congratulations Mr. President. You brought the economy back during the worst pandemic in our lifetime.

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Representative Vernon Jones' election may have been stolen too,. audit the election, and based on widespread fraud in the country,

encourage other representatives, senators whose re-election may have been stolen and to audit it.

Kim Klacik, a fresh conservative, who ran in Baltimore, now suspects that her election has fraud and will tackle it.

counteverylegalvote (until completed).

president donald trump withdrawing troops by troop from Afghanistan ending decade of wars in middle east. lobsang from tibet government, president of tibet, visits white house for first time in 6 decades. (most people do not know that the president donald trump was a democrat before becoming a republican.)

many progressive democrats are not opposing outdoor shutdowns.

on the republican side:

michelle steel, young kim, mike garcia who were just elected in CA the republicans are the ones to contact like Jim Jordan, Thomass Massie (KY), most of the democrats except for a handful, have not reversed any shutdowns.

Nancy Pelosi filibustered a covid relief for services, stores, companies filing bankrupt, families

the media hasn't covered that the president was covering for small businesses but democrat progressives keep blocking these covid business emergency bills.

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recallpelosit.org

Recourses:

Newsmax

OANN

Lou Dobbs

Parler

[Rep. Jordan: Americans should enjoy Thanksgiving without lockdowns \(rumble.com\)](#)

THREAD: A summary of what we just heard from the L.A. County Department of Public Health. 1) They have no data/numbers tying outdoor dining to surge in cases in LA. 2) They based decision off a national CDC study that didn't discern indoor/outdoor dining - "best info we have".

[Kevin Kiley](#)

[@KevinKileyCA](#)

Public health experts seem to agree curfews are either pointless or counterproductive, cramming more people into a shorter time window. In other words, a typical Gavin Newsom policy.

[ban is not constitutional - la county and ca public health, newsome do not have the legislature powers to ban services from operating - they need to work!!!!](#)

<https://twitter.com/i/status/1330614115371544578>

(a medical doctor gives testimony regarding corona - a perspective not covered in mainstream media yet)

official doctor on mask in a hearing

"pay or being played"

"we are making children afraid and it time to end this."

flu virus is larger than the covid virus

masks were not intended to be worn to be worn for this extended amount of time, even for doctors.

facts, new data not published yet in media:

they shorten the immune system and shorten natural breathing function to the lungs.

over time, they will shorten the physical capacity of the lungs. in children and elderly people, people with compromised breathing function, this

is also not natural and not good for physical development, social development of children.

If a person is afraid of getting ill and becoming sick, they can stay at home, have help, but punishing healthy people who are not sick who go to stores or who need to work.

References:

[LA County BANS outdoor dining, limits purchase of toilet paper](#)



Health officials just imposed a three-week ban on all in-person dining, even outdoors.

NY Sheriff

Fulton Sheriff

Maine Sheriff

3 CA Sherrifs aren't enforcing curfew orders moving onto more pressing issues than enforcing "curfew orders."

Martha Alvarez

From: Family Galins <galins@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 4:16 PM
To: City Clerk
Cc: Mike@RealEstateEdge.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mayoral Rotation Comment

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On my behalf, please add this letter into your Public Comment Section for the 12/1/2020 City Council Meeting. Full credit to Mike Michalski who originally wrote this great piece.

Regards,
Joe Galins, Man Bch

Last year, when she ran for one of the two open seats on the Manhattan Beach City Council, Suzanne Hadley received the most votes by far. A distant second was Councilmember Hildy Stern who was also elected.

In her current role as Mayor Pro Tem, Suzanne is scheduled to assume the role of Mayor at the December 1st Council meeting under Manhattan Beach's traditional system of rotating the mayor's position between the five sitting councilmembers for 9-month terms. At that same meeting, Hildy Stern would presumably take the position of Mayor Pro Tem.

Yet now Councilmember Stern and outgoing Councilmember Nancy Hersman have decided to bow down to a shrill, strident minority and have placed on the December 1 meeting agenda a discussion of the mayoral rotation with an eye to either denying or delaying the assumption of the mayor's duties by Ms. Hadley.

This is an especially bad idea for a number of reasons:

- This is contrary to how our rotational mayoral system has worked for 50 years.
- This introduces an element of poisonous, NextDoor-style partisanship into what is supposed to be a nonpartisan Council.
- This will destroy any vestiges of comity and collegiality within the Council chambers which, in turn, will hinder Council's ability to work together for the good of the community.
- This will set an extremely divisive precedent for our community as each mayoral transfer going forward will likely generate a partisan political circus, with both sides refighting the last election.

Most importantly, Hildy Stern and Nancy Hersman would be denying an eminently qualified Suzanne Hadley from assuming the role of Mayor simply because a vitriolic, intemperate group of residents doesn't share Suzanne's views on the issues. While they may not agree with Suzanne I, and thousands of her supporters who voted for her, do agree with her and we deserve and expect to see her in the Mayor's seat, just as those who voted for Hildy Stern deserve to see her in that role nine months from now.

To fulfill their fiduciary duty to all the city's residents, I urge Councilmembers Stern and Hersman to withdraw this extremely misguided agenda item and stand united with their fellow Councilmembers in full support of Mayor Hadley.

To do otherwise will be bad for our City Council and bad for the community as a whole.

Martha Alvarez

From: robertbush dslextreme.com <robertbush@dslextreme.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2020 2:00 PM
To: robertbush @dslextreme.com
Cc: robertbush @dslextreme.com; Nancy Hersman; Steve Napolitano; Richard Montgomery; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Bruce Moe; Quinn Barrow; List - City Council; mmatthews; kkomatinsky; bfournell; Carol Perrin, Allen Fulmer; jfenton; speel; joe200`@earthlink.net
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FOURNWLL or DRANKLIN ??????????

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FOURNELL or FRANKLIN ????????

**Manhattan Beach City Council 2020 Election Nov. 3, 2020
by Robert Bush**

FOURNELL edges out FRANKLIN by 90 votes Nov. 4, 2020

Former Mayor Amy Howorth was excited because she had endorsed Fournell and also she had endorsed Hilda Stern in March 5, 2019 election. Stern edged out Franklin by 191 votes.

FRANKLIN edges out FOURNELL by 59 votes Nov. 10, 2020

I endorsed Joe Franklin in both elections and now the residents of Manhattan Beach can call Joe Franklin “the Comeback Kid” and our new councilmember.

Joe Franklin has the professional experience and will help our families, schools and businesses recover from the COVID crisis. He wants to help ensure the continued safety and security of our residents by supporting locally controlled, fully funded police and fire departments and strong school-city partnerships.

Joe Franklin joins incumbents Steve Napolitano and Richard Montgomery that were reelected to City Council.

The residents of Manhattan Beach want to thank Nancy Hersman for her many years of service – City Council, MBUSD Board of Trustees and Planning Commission.

Dewey Defeats Truman': The Famously Mistaken Headline

On November 3, 1948, the morning after the 1948 presidential election, the *Chicago Daily Tribune's* headline read, "DEWEY DEFEATS TRUMAN." That's what the Republicans, the polls, the newspapers, the political writers, and even many Democrats had expected. But in the largest political upset in U.S. history, Harry S. Truman surprised everyone when he, and *not* Thomas E. Dewey, won the 1948 election for President of the United States.

Martha Alvarez

From: Tristan Patterson <tpat44@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 1:35 PM
To: List - City Council; City Manager
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Upcoming LA County Dining Mandate

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Hello all,

I'm writing to express my hope that our Manhattan Beach City Council will join with Pasadena in openly opposing the LA County outdoor dining ban. Clearly the last year has been full of very difficult decisions and situations with no good options--being caught under the broad guidance of LA County while looking out for a smaller community is a nearly impossible task. The business owners, dining patrons, and all the hardworking staff compose the fabric of Manhattan Beach and deserve to have a voice stand-up for them. All of you care very deeply about this community and have taken on your roles in the city council because you have the courage to make tough choices that shape our city. Please consider that this is the time to make such a tough decision. As a mathematician by training and trade, it pains me to see a mandate such as this passed on the alleged basis of "science and data." It is not backed by either. We live in a world full of incredible knowledge and data. I encourage you to consider the information available from the 49 other states and hundreds of countries in the world. Banning outdoor dining will not reduce the spread of coronavirus; it will only serve to expand collateral damage emotionally, financially, and physically. I realize enforcement occurs at the county level and is beyond the control of the city council.

However, publicly opposing the order and supporting the citizens of Manhattan Beach would be a meaningful action that could rally other cities in LA County and ultimately prevent sweeping actions like this in the future. Thanks for taking the time to read and consider these thoughts.

Sincerely,
Tristan Patterson

Martha Alvarez

From: Cynthia Palm <cynthia@bridgesfs.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 10:20 AM
To: Fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov
Cc: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Ban - City of Manhattan Beach.

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Our dining business community in conjunction with our city has gone to great lengths to construct pleasant safe outdoor dining options, trained their employees to deliver a safe experience and have worked diligently to navigate this precarious situation to the best of their ability.

I am asking you to do everything you can to help our local dining business community by standing up to this ridiculous shut down. I read in the LA Times this morning that Pasadena is opting to Support their local businesses and not implement the ban.

I hope you can find a way to do the same with our local council who I have copied on this email. The shut down this time does not come with "Federal aid" in terms of compensation for the workers or additional support for the business owners. Seeing employees and owners repeatedly reduced to tears with stress and worry is difficult to take.

Communities need to come together safely to get through these tough times. We can do this in Manhattan Beach - please support us!

If we don't support them, who will?

As a locally born and raised life long resident of this community - respectfully - PLEASE hear us!

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Best Regards,

Cynthia Palm, CPA , CLPF, NCG

Founder & President



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From: Brittini Slay <brittini@slay.la>
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 8:45 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Possible restaurant closure - From SLAY restaurant group

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brittini Slay
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 8:42 AM
To: fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; citycouncil@mb.info; kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov
Subject: Possible restaurant closure - From SLAY restaurant group

To Whom it May Concern,

We are restaurant owners of two restaurants in downtown Manhattan Beach. We employ over 75 people, most of which are local residents. To shut restaurants down once again after everything we have gone through is morally wrong and beyond heartbreaking.

This news is not only devastating as a restaurant owner, but also to our staff who are once again forced out of work right before two major holidays.

These past 8 months have been filled with so much emotional and economic uncertainty, but we are so proud to be a part of a team and industry that has collectively demonstrated nothing but passion, drive, and a can-do attitude to keep moving forward and adapt to the circumstances.

Rest assured, our staff and we as owners have gone to great lengths to create the safest and most welcoming environment in which to serve our guests. We have abided by every single guideline given to us. We have poured endless amounts of time and money (that honestly we don't have) into researching safety, building outdoor patios, purchasing safeguards, heaters, sanitizing stations, hiring extra cleaning crews in order to maintain safety for our staff and customers.

We are willing to take the 50% and be open in order to keep our community thriving and keep those employed by us working through the holidays and continue nothing but safety.

Please reconsider. You can't put our employees who have worked so hard and put their lives at risk out of work before two major holidays. The impacts this will have on them and their families is detrimental and this is so unnecessary to do when it is a fact covid cases aren't linked to dining, and we know it.

Sincerely,
The Slay's & Slay Staff

Sent from my iPhone

Martha Alvarez

From: vicky.purvis@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 8:12 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Pasadena to keep outdoor dining open despite L.A. County health order

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health order

The Pasadena City Council decided Monday to keep restaurants open for dining, despite the Los Angeles County pub...

Martha Alvarez

From: Lyn Fisher <fisher6188@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 10:14 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Modifications to the Health Officer Order

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All,

Hope there is enough feedback to get this overturned. Barga seems to be highly in favor. Solis against. Hahn on the fence (of course). I know nothing about where Ridley-Scott and Kuehl stand on this.

Let's please let our restaurants operate at least their maximum outdoor capacity.

Thank you.
Lyn Fisher

On Nov 23, 2020, at 9:53 PM, Lyn Fisher <fisher6188@aol.com> wrote:

Hello,

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Date: November 23, 2020 at 9:24:50 PM PST
To: fisher6188@aol.com
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From: Rita Moorman <moormanrm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 7:59 PM
To: List - City Council; Supervisor Janice Hahn; Kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Restaurant Closure Possible Stay at Home Order

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Dear Supervisor Hahn and Manhattan Beach City Council,

It is my understanding that you will be voting on the proposed restaurant closure tomorrow morning. I implore you to reconsider. I am a front line Physician and part of a Covid intubation team (which has been disbanded due to lack of cases).

Restaurants in Manhattan Beach and elsewhere are struggling. They have invested significant capital installing plexiglass shields, purchasing PPE for employees, purchasing heaters, etc. They are willing to decrease capacity by 50% but they cannot survive a total closure of outdoor dining. Their employees will once again be unemployed. The surge in cases is NOT coming from the restaurants. Why are you punishing restaurants for doing everything right? Only 3.1% of cases are coming from the restaurants. 50% of cases are coming from gatherings in private homes. Reference: La County Health Department see below:

<https://www.foxbusiness.com/lifestyle/la-county-covid-stats-reveal-3-1-of-cases-traced-to-restaurants-bars>

By closing restaurants you potentially will drive more people into private homes and potentially increase cases even more. Likewise, a modified stay at home order is going to be considered.

There is NO justification for closing small businesses in Manhattan Beach and otherwise like communities in LA County. Less than 10 people in a Manhattan Beach Boutique is not driving the spread when you are still going to have hundreds of people in Target and Costco.

Follow the Science! How many times have we heard this Mantra? If you are going to follow the science then there is no reason to close outdoor dining or small businesses in Manhattan Beach and like communities. All that will be accomplished is to worsen the economic crisis, unemployment, and human suffering without decreasing the spread.

It is time for LA County to use a rational, surgical approach to the pandemic, NOT a nuclear solution. Our hospitals are coping and have capacity, I know, I work in 2 of them. LA County has contact tracing. We should be taking action where the cases are actually originating from.

It is the job of our Board of Supervisors and Our City Council to protect and advocate for the residents they represent. Please consider doing so now.

Best, Rita Moorman MD

Martha Alvarez

From: Jaci Warren <Jaci@cilajet.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 3:32 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Local Restaurants

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Dear City Council,

I am a resident of Manhattan Beach, residing at 212 John Street. This latest mandate to close our restaurants will be devastating to those businesses, their employees, and greatly impact our city. These poor restaurant owners are barely hanging on as it is, not to mention they just purchased food in preparation for Thanksgiving dinners which they will now have to throw away. They also have to lay off their entire service staff just before the Holidays. This is a travesty.

Our local restaurants have already had to modify their interior space with plexiglass and distanced tables and chairs, then build outdoor platforms and buy heaters, and now they are the target for closure again. They should be allowed to remain open and, for those residents who are not comfortable dining out, they can simply stay home. The rest of us should take safety precautions, of course, but be allowed to support our local restaurants and help them keep their doors open.

The way I understand it, there was NO vote from our Los Angeles County supervisors putting this "law" into effect. Therefore, it cannot and should not be treated as any legal violation if the restaurant chooses to keep its doors open.

You are our elected officials, and need to make your voices heard on behalf of our special community.

Thank you,
Jaci



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Martha Alvarez

From: Michael Schmitt <maschmitt1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 2:25 PM
To: List - City Council; Jaci Warren; James Armstrong
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Closure of MB Restaurants

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Dear MB City Council,

I am a longtime resident of Manhattan Beach, residing at 212 John Street.

We elected you to DEFEND us from other CA and Los Angeles elected officials, as well as unelected officials such as Barbara Ferrer.

PLEASE stand up and say NO to the new LA County lock down directive on our Manhattan Beach businesses.

Sanctuary City laws are now well accepted and documented, we require sanctuary from tyrannical government orders, which are not based on science, and are without proper voting, legislation and accountability.

Please state that while we appreciate the suggestion from the county, MB restaurants and retailers have adopted safe protocols and are not contributing in great numbers to the Los Angeles County infection rates, hospitalization rates, or death rates.

In fact, even on the Los Angeles County Health Website, LA County restaurants, (not just Manhattan Beach restaurants), rank number eleven on places where contact traces have identified the source of contracting the corona virus!

Threatening the livelihood of MB restaurant owners and their employees to lock down the eleventh ranked source of corona virus makes no sense, while doing substantial harm to small businesses and citizens.

Therefore I am asking you to keep Manhattan Beach SAFE and OPEN, and shielded from county and state government overreach.

We are counting on you and need you.

Michael Schmitt
maschmitt1@gmail.com

Martha Alvarez

From: Dennis Duke Noor <denduke@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 12:11 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please push back against these insane EDITS against OUR Restaurants and small Businesses:

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Dear City Council, below is my letter to "Dr." Ferrer, but I think it's relative here in HB too.

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The amount of people your departments decision is going to negatively effect is heart-breaking.

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Thank You,

Dennis Noor
Hermosa Beach

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From: Dana McFarland <danamcfarland79@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 8:51 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Covid subcommittee

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Dear Council,

Downtown could sorely use someone like Suzanne Hadley to be part of the Downtown Covid subcommittee. We would really appreciate it if you could assign her to the position.

Thank you,

Dana McFarland
Wright's
The Beehive

Martha Alvarez

From: CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info on behalf of City of Manhattan Beach
<CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 7:39 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Additional Covid Restrictions

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Message submitted from the <City of Manhattan Beach> website.

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I am extremely disappointed to see that LA County has implemented county-wide business restrictions without providing economic relief to businesses that will be severely impacted by their decision. If the county decides that it is in the public interest to shut down any business, they should provide compensation to those business owners and their employees. They should provide real estate tax relief, supplemental unemployment benefits and direct payments to support those businesses and their employees during any period of closure.

We can't say we are all in this together and then turn our backs on the small businesses and families that have struggled to survive this year and will be decimated by this decision. Please support our community and voice our concerns to the county so decisions that they make address the concerns of all impacted parties. Thank you!



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Martha Alvarez

From: Kristin Long <klongs@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 4:29 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Looking for your support

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Honorable Members of Council:

Please do a more aggressive job of protecting local businesses and restaurants from the vast and expansive regulations that the County continues to impose on them that have been detrimental to their survival.

Our local restaurants, shops, and bars have done all that has been asked of them by the County -- from moving their businesses outside, spending thousands upon thousands of dollars in new structures and permit fees, and even further reducing their OUTDOOR seating for “everyone’s safety” -- but once again, it’s not good enough.

I sent the following to Supervisor Hahn on Thursday, but I feel like you guys need to hear it, too. Our small town is hurting – BAD. And now, another County-wide shutdown is going to devastate our local businesses, our community, and our friends. Please stand up to the County and fight for us. It’s what we voted for you to do and we need you more than ever.

Sincerely, Kristin Long Drew

Supervisor Hahn:

I’m writing to you as a very concerned citizen of Manhattan Beach. The County is doing a disservice to this community with its vast and unfocused restrictions that are supposed to curb the COVID-19 spread. The County’s regulations are not helping us, they’re hurting us.

For one thing, small businesses and restaurants are struggling. If our town loses its small businesses and restaurants, it loses everything. Our community loses its character. Our neighbors lose their jobs. Our friends lose their livelihoods.

It’s one thing to prohibit indoor dining. No, we aren’t happy about it, but we deal with it. I saw our local restaurants and bars spending money they certainly were not making to accommodate your guidelines – i.e. putting up plexiglass barriers between tables, spacing tables six feet apart, taking customers’ temperatures, offering copious amounts of hand sanitizer – and now you’re saying that’s not good enough? Will you be reimbursing them for all the money they lost adhering to your previous regulations? Will you be buying back their plexiglass to use in the county buildings? And now, even though everyone is outside, in the open air, operating with diminished capacity, you want to diminish it more? The only thing that will definitely accomplish is it will destroy local businesses and restaurants.

It would be easier to support your rules and guidelines, if you knew what you were doing, but it’s become abundantly obvious that you don’t. You’re constantly grasping at straws, “moving the goal posts”, doing whatever you can to make it appear like you’re acting in the best interests of the public. But it’s to our detriment.

I understand that COVID-19 is a very serious virus. It has affected me personally by taking the life of my dear friend. But I also understand that there needs to be a level of personal and individual accountability here. The blanket restrictions your office is imposing on the entire county is hurting our economic health and our mental health.

Please stop changing the rules for our small businesses and restaurants. You're only making an already terrible situation much, much worse.

Sincerely,

Kristin Drew

Manhattan Beach, CA

Martha Alvarez

From: Cindy Bond <cindy@bond-associates.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 9:23 AM
To: List - City Council
Cc: Carrie Tai, AICP
Subject: [EXTERNAL] re: FULL closure of Manh Ave - from MBB to 12th.....SERIOUS CONCERN OVER TRAFFIC

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To whom it may concern:

Some of you may recognize my name/email. I am one of the most PRO BUSINESS and PRO RESTAURANT residents of Manhattan Beach that you will find. Prior this, I have frequently sent letters ONLY in support of extended restaurant hours, full liquor licenses, et.

The idea to fully close Manhattan Avenue from Manhattan Beach Blvd to 12th Street is a HUGE concern to me and seems completely absurd. When I first read about it I was in complete shock. Manhattan Avenue is a main thoroughfare in our city and we don't have many! Have any of the council members that voted for this actually done any investigation of what the traffic and congestion in this area already is? The traffic and many times gridlock in this area is already unbearable, especially in the summer time. Highland and Valley/Ardmore are already congested too and it will only make things worse. I PLEAD with the city to reconsider this as I feel it is an AWFUL decision for the overall traffic in our city and for ALL the residents!

I personally live RIGHT on CENTER PLACE. I am just west behind Slays. So I can attest to the HORRIFIC congestion on this narrow alley. Day and night there are trash trucks that come that serve all the restaurants. There are also constant deliveries done on this alley to all the surrounding restaurants. And with all the "pick-up" orders by patrons of the restaurants due to Covid, there are a slew of people that just park their cars and leave them unattended while they walk to get their pick up orders. Often I have to wait 10 or 15 minutes or more when my garage is blocked. If only the west/bottom of the ally is accessible – trash trucks/delivery trucks and other vehicles will literally get trapped on Center Place!

I VERY frequently cannot access or get into my garage off of Center Place – I live at 124 Center Place. When the top/East side of the ally/Center Place is blocked, I have to go around and enter from the west side. When the bottom (where Center meets Ocean) is blocked I have to enter from Manhattan Ave. As a side note, the city frequently puts up the temporary road blocks at the top of Center Place & Manhattan Ave and then on the corner of Ocean and 12th Street when they are trying to alleviate traffic on MBB. This COMPLETELY prevents me from accessing my OWN GARAGE! And when I get out of my car to move the road block I have been threatened with tickets and a few times even arrest! It's completely insane! I am a Manhattan Beach resident/property owner just trying to access my own garage!

***I want to call attention to the fact that I have NEVER once complained about the already terrible situation on the alley/Center place. I realize I live downtown and right by commercial property. But this closure of Manhattan Ave is just TOO much!

I have ZERO issue with closing both Pier Lots and turning them over for use by the restaurants. If this does happen, I think the current outdoor dining for the Strand House that is on Ocean Ave should be removed. This particular outdoor dining had created TERRIBLE GRIDLOCK! And I have never once complained about it.

And if for some reason you do move forward with the full closure of Manhattan Ave, the StrandHouse outdoor dining on Ocean MUST be removed!!! If not, there will be a bottleneck at the bottom of Center Place and Ocean. Ocean Avenue must be open in both directions to allow residents access to their own properties and to alleviate at least some of the congestion caused by the Manhattan Ave closure.

And saying this is a temporary change due to the shutdowns does not alleviate my concerns. Who knows how long this all will last. Closing down Manhattan Ave is a bad decision for both the short and long term.

SIDENOTE: The new multi-direction crosswalks also are adding to the overall traffic back-up. Many times there are none or almost no pedestrians crossing while traffic in both directions is completely stopped. Then when the lights are green for cars to go, pedestrians that have just arrived walk anyway (when the crosswalk is flashing red) and stop cars from proceeding. Perhaps these new crosswalks will be beneficial during the summer months when pedestrian crossing is more excessive. We shall see. In my opinion the big painted circle and lines really take away from our small town charm. Manhattan Beach is feeling more like Santa Monica every day. This is very sad to me.

Sincerely,
Cynthia Bond

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Martha Alvarez

From: Greg Cicchino <greg@yogaloftmb.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 21, 2020 12:59 PM
To: List - City Council; Kelly Stroman; Jill Lamkin
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Parking lot across from Yoga Loft

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To the Members of the City Council:

I understand you are opening up the parking lots across the street from Yoga Loft to businesses. That is great news! I'm sure that being the business immediately across from that parking lot who depends quite a bit on that view; that you had considered us in your decision, and were planning to offer us an unobstructed section of that lot from Ocean to the Strand roughly same width as our studio (around 20 ft.) to help our business as well. I'll assume you not alerting us to the sudden change in availability was a simple oversight. I look forward to hearing what might work.

Thank you!

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Greg Cicchino
Owner, Yoga Loft Manhattan Beach
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Martha Alvarez

From: Joe De Pinto <joedepinto7@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2020 2:02 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ridiculous restrictions

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Dear City Council,

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 2016. I absolutely love this town and the community that you can really feel living here, much of which can be attributed to communal events that City Council helps organize. However, for the last 3+ months I have watched you cripple the town in fear with mandatory mask signs and code enforcement rent-a-cops (which are illegal by the way considering they are not doctors yet they tell people to wear a mask for health reasons which is technically giving medical advice - aka the felony of impersonating a medical professional), and have reached my breaking point after hearing about the absolute bullshit restrictions you are putting on Shellback Tavern over their patio coverings.

Have you all collectively lost your fucking minds? Do you want the businesses to die? Do you have any idea how frustrated citizens already are and then to hear you are going to fine the businesses that are struggling the most for stupid shit like not taking down a canopy at the end of every day? Isn't there a better use of tax dollars than assigning a "Canopy take down enforcement team"? If you really want the canopies taken down everyday, instead of using my tax dollars to pay people to stand around and write tickets, pay those same people to help Shellback take the canopies down and set them up instead. Shouldn't helping your local businesses be more of a priority than fining them?

I really hope you as a collective group of elected, not self-appointed, "officials" can start thinking rationally and stop acting off and perpetuating fear. Citing a landmark business for not taking down a patio covering? Really? That's really what you want to focus on right now? Give me a fucking break.

"Those who would give up essential Liberty, to purchase a little temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety."

-Benjamin Franklin (ever heard of him?)

No bad days,

Joe

Martha Alvarez

From: Colleen Bateman <colleenbateman@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2020 6:26 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Businesses in downtown MB

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I am writing this in response to the ridiculous requirements you are imposing on these poor businesses that have been nothing but FIGHTING to stay open during these trying times. Why the hell are you, as the backbone to this city, that I have grown up in, making it so incredibly difficult for this to happen. You should be doing everything to SUPPORT these poor business owners and you haven't! What is the actual reasoning that you are making shellback, in particular, remove their tents every night? Why? Who woke up this morning and decided to make this completely unnecessary request! The work that these owners and employees put in every single day during this time is a whole hell of a lot and yet you think that adding yet another bullshit requirement is a good idea! This city has shown zero support & loyalty to so many downtown businesses and this is yet another power move that makes ZERO sense! Give me the reasoning behind it! Would love to hear it! You make me embarrassed to admit I grew up in MB with what you are doing to it! It's seriously pathetic!
Colleen Bateman

Sent from my iPhone