

12:47PM

Hello, my name is Judy Esposito and I would like to register a no confidence vote against Los Angeles District Attorney, George Gascon. No confidence in George Gascon. My name is Judy Esposito. My phone number is 310-301-9791. Thank you very much.

12:53PM

Yes, my name is Don Brown. I'm calling to leave a message. I know you have a meeting tonight on George Gascon. Please vote no confidence in DA Gascon. He needs to be recalled. We need to stand for law and order. We can't allow felons to be out of jail early and back on the streets creating the same types of crimes. Thank you.

1:09PM

Good day, this is Rory and Marie O'Brien. I am a seventy-one year resident of Manhattan Beach. I'm urging City Council, City Clerk, I don't care who it is, that there is a no confidence vote on Gascon. He has been support by Soros. He's a socialist, fascist, Marxist ways are ruining this country and especially California. Please vote no confidence.

1:23PM

As a South Bay resident, I urge you to vote no confidence on the George Gascon's policy. Please protect our homes and our businesses. Please vote no confidence on George Gascon. Thank you.

2:32PM

Please vote no confidence against George Gascon tonight. It's very imperative. He's letting out everybody and he's not supporting the victims and the families. Thank you.

5:25PM

Yes, I'm just calling to register my approval of a recall of George Gascon and urge the city officials of Manhattan Beach to vote no confidence with respect to District Attorney George Gascon tonight. Thank you.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kelly Stroman <kelly@MANHATTANBEACHCHAMBER.COM>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:17 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** latrice.mcglathin@kinecta.org; Dunn, Jill A; pmaloney@maloneyfirm.com; bsperber@manhattanbeachtoyota.com; Jill Lamkin; p.pkim@verizon.net  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MBCC position regarding the possible extension of outdoor dining  
**Importance:** High

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Good evening, City Council,

Today the MBCC Executive Committee discussed the decision before you tonight regarding the possible continuance of outdoor dining in the public right-of-way. The Chamber of Commerce believes that it is in the best interest of the business community to allow outdoor dining in the public right-of-way to continue until (at a minimum) 30 days after all restaurants and bars are allowed to seat 100% of their permitted indoor dining capacity.

The pandemic has been an open/close/distance-more type of roller coaster for all businesses. Until we are clearly out of the woods and there is no potential for a surge, that could induce another shut-down or rollback, the restaurants should be able to operate with outdoor seating in the public right of way and up to 100% of the combined capacity as defined in their use permit. Without knowing the exact restrictions (or not) that might be imposed on June 15th, it is simply too early to make a decision to terminate, or scale back, the program.

It is our understanding that a long-term/permanent outdoor dining conversation is not on the table tonight. That is a very different conversation that should be thoughtfully discussed with all stakeholders, inclusive of residents and ALL types of businesses. The impact of increased outdoor dining has both a positive and negative impact and can vary by block, street, and neighborhood... and time of year. We have yet to experience the true impact and benefits from the summer months and the return of signature events in and around Downtown MB and in N, Manhattan.

Regarding the return of signature events; please keep in mind that events such as the ones highlighted on the TENTATIVE Special Events list have historically created severe parking, traffic, safety, and trash concerns. The burden of those pre-existing conditions and unintended consequences should be the responsibility of the event producer, not the restaurants or business community. If some assemblance of increased outdoor dining is extended, please ask the events to scale back the footprint, increase safety, provide off-site parking and shuttle and require that all event staff use it. A 1–7-day event and the attendees and staff should not be given priority over existing businesses and residents.

When making your decision tonight, please consider these additional factors:

- El Segundo has extended their outdoor dining program until December 31, 2021.
- Hermosa Beach has no pre-determined end date to their outdoor dining program

- HB City Council will discuss a long-term plan at their June 8th council meeting and will attempt to standardize sq ft allowance by restaurant and agree upon aesthetic requirements for long-term use.
- the lane configuration permit on Hermosa Ave expires in July and will be revisited at the June 8th meeting

Thank you for your consideration and considering the economic vitality of the business community.



**KELLY STROMAN**

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**From:** Renee George <reneewillgeorge@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:11 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; Richard Montgomery  
**Cc:** Jeff George  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining - please keep!

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Hello Mayor Richard and all of City Council,

As a long time ago resident of Manhattan Beach and once again a new home owner, we implore you to please keep the outdoor dining options in downtown Manhattan Beach. We know you are voting on this tonight.

The outdoor dining in Manhattan Beach has been a tremendous bright spot in our community over the past year. It obviously helps the restaurants, but the sense of energy and community it brings to our city cannot be understated. It has been such a joy to run into friends, enjoy food, and feel the vibrancy of our city in a whole new way through the new outdoor dining.

Please keep it for the sake of our local business owners and for the long-term vibrancy of our community!

Thank you so much for considering,

Renee George

316 30th St.

Renee Will George  
reneewillgeorge@gmail.com



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**From:** CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info on behalf of City of Manhattan Beach  
<CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:09 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Objection to the proposed vote of no confidence in D. A. Gascon

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

**Site Visitor Name:** Kim Muller  
**Site Visitor Email:** kk.muller55@gmail.com

Dear Councilors,

I am writing to express my objection to your decision to hold a vote of a no confidence in the new County D.A.

I would ask why you feel the need to pursue this meaningless action, with no real outreach to the community to discern how we feel? Could it be true that all residents agree with this vote? I am skeptical.

It's a purely partisan move, driven by fear, like so many other actions some on Council have pushed forward recently that belie our supposed friendly, welcoming and "tolerant of all" community.

I hope that clearer heads prevail here, and you will reject this toothless motion.

Sincerely,  
Kim Muller  
Manhattan Beach



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**From:** Neil Leventhal <nl@lma-web.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:03 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] End Outddor Dining June 15

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Mayor and Council:

We all like outdoor dining, but not like this.

The circumstances that catalyzed the emergency Outdoor Dining initiative have largely passed, and it is clearly time to bring those efforts to a close, as designed and agreed. An open-ended extension is clearly not an emergency response to an emergent situation.

If the rationale for a specific limited extension is based on some specific financial circumstances and objectives, that discussion should occur, IF AT ALL, based on an informed analysis, with current financials, including PPP, grants and other mitigations, and a specific end date, and/or criteria for when that extension ends. It must also consider the circumstances, with dramatically increased summer traffic and events.

If the justification is based on the investment restaurants have made, with full knowledge of and agreement to the temporary nature of this initiative, with many expanded and intensified after the emergency action was already scheduled to end, it difficult to justify.

If this is intended to institutionalize outdoor dining on public spaces, leveraging the good will and support extended throughout the pandemic, it both inappropriate and premature.

A permanent expansion would be the most profound change in Downtown Manhattan Beach in at least 40 years – if not ever. ANY consideration of a permanent expansion – with all the significant, long term impact on traffic, parking, ADA, Downtown character and balance – and the conversion of the public right of way for commercial benefit – IF AT ALL – deserves a comprehensive process to consider the Downtown mission, capacity, infrastructure, with a comprehensive opportunity for input, analysis, consideration and planning. And none of that would be well-founded if initiated before we have returned to some post-pandemic “new normal” as a basis.

As residents, we have supported downtown restaurants - and retail – long before COVID, and have expanded that support in good faith, with concern and consideration for restaurants, retail and the entire community – and we ask that they – and the council – do the same.

Please bring the current Outdoor Dining program to a close June 15 as agreed.

Neil Leventhal

128 13th St.  
Manhattan Beach, CA

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sarah Schneider <frausaschneider@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:03 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please vote "no confidence" for Gascon

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Dear City Council members,

This email is to encourage you to please vote a "No Confidence" for head District Attorney George Gascon today at the city council meeting for community safety and for the victims of the crimes. I no longer feel safe in Manhattan Beach or within LA County since the implementation of the new policies from District Attorney George Gascon. The sound of police helicopters was a random, infrequent occurrence which now happens on a regular basis due to carjackings, increased visits with armed criminals all committing crimes in our beautiful beach city, mostly because of being released within 48 hours because "bail is not fair" according to Mr. Gascon's policy are not what the California Penal Code supports or residents of California support. Californians voted to keep the bail schedule in place.

As someone who works with the District Attorneys office I have seen the impact on the victims. When a mother leaves her one year old baby girl with the baby sitter and the baby sitter shakes the baby so hard the child becomes a paraplegic. Before Gascons policies the person who left the child a paraplegic would spend 15 years in prison. Under Gascons new policies the person responsible for this disgusting crime will now get one year probation (meaning she has to check in with a probation officer and do parenting classes). This is unfair to the victim. <https://www.foxla.com/news/family-of-child-suffering-brain-injury-fears-gascons-new-policies-may-only-give-childs-abuser-slap-on-wrist>

The people (documented gang members) responsible for shooting Lady Gaga's dog during a robbery in West Hollywood or who committed the robbery at a restaurant in Beverly Hills during lunch hours shooting an incident bi standard during the assault will be given a minimum sentence with Mr. Gascon taking away the gang enhancement charge which adds 7 years for each charge keeping them in prison for a long time.

These crimes will continue to happen to the residents of Manhattan Beach if the Manhattan Beach City Council does not take a firm stand on this important issue and speak up for our community and residents.

Thank You,

Sarah Schneider

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**From:** Hal Croft <halcroft7444@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:00 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outside Dinning in Downtown

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Honorable City Council and Manhattan Beach City Manager My wife Charlotte and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 3.5 years. We understand how some people object to the reduced street size and reduced parking, we feel the restaurants have suffered disproportionately from the effects of Covid 19. This temporary solution seems to be the least we as a City can do to help our struggling food service industry. We support continued outside dining.

Hal Croft  
2901 Blanche Rd

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** K Eddy <kседdy39@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:57 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Please add my name to the George Gascon "No Confidence" list. Thank you.  
Kathi Eddy

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**From:** (null) (null) <dana-r@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:55 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support NOCG

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Dear Council,

I strongly support the no confidence in George Gascon resolution.

Thank you for tabling this resolution, safety is not racist, crime is on the rise because of Gascon... And we are concerned for our city.

Thank you ,  
Dana Ward (Sand Section Resident)

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Serena Taylor <serenahk@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:49 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO CONFIDENCE in George Gascon

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council Members,

I am writing to express my strong support of a vote of NO CONFIDENCE in DA George Gascon.

His perspective and lack of action on crime and criminals are beyond irresponsible and dangerous to our community.

Sincerely,  
Serena Taylor  
3404 Pine Ave

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Manhattan Beach, CA



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**From:** hmargolis <hmargolis@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:13 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I urge you to vote "no confidence" on George Gascon's pollicies!

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Dear council member

George Gascon's policies are a disaster for Los Angeles county, and will result in an unsafe environment for families and community. So please, I urge you to vote "no confidence" on George Gascon's pollicies!

Thank you!  
H. Margolis

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** shannon wainwright <swainwright.sw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:23 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public comment

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To the esteemed members of this council:

I write this letter to you as a concerned citizen of Los Angeles County. I was inspired to become a prosecutor by my mother. She was a Los Angeles Deputy District Attorney who specialized in Stalking and Domestic Violence. She brought me to work with her, showed me how she did her job, and most importantly, introduced me to the victims of crime she was tasked to protect. The victims in her cases would tell her that she saved their lives. These people who sometimes spent years constantly looking over their shoulders, wondering where their stalker was, could finally get some peace. They wrote her letters, invited her to their homes for dinner, even came to her retirement party to tell the stories of how my mother changed their lives. I believe that era is now gone.

I'm genuinely curious about why people voted for Mr. Gascon and whether they still believe he stands for what they intended. Was it to prosecute more cops for use of force? Because in his first 5 months, I personally have seen zero prosecutions for use of force. In fact, Mr. Gascon passed this duty onto another prosecuting agency so he could wash his hands clean of this "promise".

Instead, he has used his position to order his deputies to do the following:

- Dismiss all hate crime allegations. (He backtracked on this recently only after an uproar from the LGBTQ+ community.)
- Dismiss all allegations where a crime was committed while that person was out on bail for another crime.
- Dismiss all allegations that a crime was committed for the benefit of a criminal street gang. (Not to be confused with charging people just for being a gang member.)
- Dismiss allegations that a criminal used a gun to commit a crime. (He also backtracked on this, but only for certain scenarios.)
- Dismiss allegations that the victim of a crime suffered great bodily injury. (He also backtracked on this, but only for rare scenarios.)
- Dismiss allegations that a defendant has committed crimes in the past. This means someone who commits a crime for the first time will be punished the same as someone who was previously convicted of murder, rape, robbery, etc., no matter how many times. (A court determined this directive was illegal. He then issued a new directive to try to skirt around this that is still in violation of this court's order.)
- Refuse to request monetary bail, regardless of the crime.
- Dismiss misdemeanor criminal threats if the defendant has any indicia of substance use.
- Refuse to pursue the death penalty.
- Refuse to pursue Life sentences without the possibility of parole. (i.e. murder and rape as many people as you want, you will get a parole date. Cases that had been filed before Mr. Gascon took office would still be eligible for Life without the possibility of parole only because a judge informed Mr. Gascon that retracting them would be illegal.
- DAs will not object to parole and they will not even show up to the hearing.
- DAs have been instructed not to request a body attachment for a witness who violates a subpoena. Victims of domestic violence are less than ecstatic to come to court and testify against their abusers. In many cases, this is because the victim believes they will anger the defendant. At the very least, victims are given some comfort when they can blame the District

Attorney on the stand and tell the defendant in open court that they are only present because the court forced them to come. This is no longer an option.

Shootings and homicides have increased exponentially in recent months. Victims and their family members who come forward to say they disagree with Mr. Gascon and his directives were told that they are "too uneducated to keep their mouths shut". Deputy District Attorneys were instructed to read misleading and unlawful verbiage into the record, risking their duties to the State Bar and the Constitution of the State of California. A Head Deputy District Attorney was ordered to dismiss a case and told that he was insubordinate for asking why. All of this for a failing social experiment in which the citizens of the County of Los Angeles are the guinea pigs. Many judges refuse to go along with these directives - refusing to grant motions to dismiss and refusing to accept plea offers that they believe are too low. If there is a clear indication as to the lawlessness of George Gascon's directives, it's in the constant refusal of judges around the county to go along with them.

I hope this council takes careful consideration in their vote in this matter.

Thank you for your time,  
Shannon Sexton

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Hirose, Paul O. (Perkins Coie) <PHirose@perkinscoie.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:54 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Cc:** paulmullin@mac.com; Richard Montgomery; Steve Napolitano; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Joe Franklin; mikeroth418@verizon.net  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FW: MB City Council 21-0142: Concerns with Proposed After-hours Construction at Target Store, 1200 Sepulveda (10 PM - 7:30 AM, for Four Months)  
**Attachments:** 21-0142 Magnolia Ave Concerns - Mullin.pdf

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I live at 1209 Magnolia Avenue and my next door neighbors, the Roths, live at 1205 Magnolia Avenue. We agree with Paul Mullin's analysis. Please give great weight to Mr. Mullin's (and our) request.

Thank you very much,

**Paul Hirose | Perkins Coie LLP**

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Paul M. Mullin" <[paulmullin@mac.com](mailto:paulmullin@mac.com)>  
**Subject:** MB City Council 21-0142: Concerns with Proposed After-hours Construction at Target Store, 1200 Sepulveda (10 PM - 7:30 AM, for Four Months)  
**Date:** May 18, 2021 at 3:39:02 AM PDT  
**To:** [cityclerk@citymb.info](mailto:cityclerk@citymb.info)  
**Cc:** Paul Mullin <[paulmullin@mac.com](mailto:paulmullin@mac.com)>, Richard Montgomery <[rmontgomery@citymb.info](mailto:rmontgomery@citymb.info)>, Steve Napolitano <[snapolitano@citymb.info](mailto:snapolitano@citymb.info)>, Suzanne Hadley <[shadley@citymb.info](mailto:shadley@citymb.info)>, [hstern@citymb.info](mailto:hstern@citymb.info), [ifranklin@citymb.info](mailto:ifranklin@citymb.info)

Mayor Suzanne Hadley  
Mayor Pro-Tem Hildy Stern  
Councilmember Steve Napolitano  
Councilmember Richard Montgomery  
Councilmember Joe Franklin  
City Clerk Liz Tamura

RE: MB City Council 21-0142: My concerns with the proposed after-hours construction at the Target Store at 1200 Sepulveda

My name is Paul Mullin. My wife and I have lived at 1405 Magnolia Avenue in Manhattan Beach since September of 1989. We live directly behind the Northeast corner of the Target Store at 1200 Sepulveda Blvd in Manhattan Beach. We have lived through four (4) major remodels at the Target store, and have become well acquainted with the way Target and their contractors execute on their plans, operating under the

“do first, ask later — only if we are questioned” philosophy, or so we have been lead to believe based on their repeated disregard for their residential neighbors on the East side of 1200 Sepulveda Blvd.

I write to you today to respectfully request that you please deny the application of Target and its contractor, BAC Consulting, for special consideration to conduct construction activity inside and outside the Target store "after hours" — from 10 PM - 7:30 AM, in the period from May 24th through September 13, 2021 (approximately 4 months).

Reviewing the documents linked on the May 18 City Council Agenda for item 15, 21-0142, looking at the *Target Staging Site Plan Sketch*, I was impressed with the efforts of Code Enforcement officer Gilbert Quijada to push the project container farm “boneyard” to a location in the Target lot away from the residential properties along Magnolia Ave, something we had asked for several times in years past on previous projects at Target. One positive note in this proposal. Reviewing the “1200 Sepulveda Blvd Case History” I was dismayed to see a rather abridged version of what has really transpired between Target and its neighbors over the past several years and previous construction projects. MB Building Official Ryan Heise did clarify for me when he called that each line is a summary of incidents for each “case” — so one line shown on the report was rolling up several calls, emails, or reports on a topic during a particular time period. This is not readily apparent when I read that chart. Finally, I was dumbfounded when I discovered that Target and its contractor were asking for permission to operate well beyond business hours on this site — from 10 PM until 7:30 AM for a period of four months — in the summer months, when many of us in the beach cities enjoy sleeping with our windows open — this will be practically impossible with the humming, pounding, and beeping of workers, power tools, forklifts, and building materials being thrown about carelessly ( I have experienced ALL of these things in the past with previous Target building projects). This would be raising Target’s blatant disregard for their neighbors to new heights — unbelievable at best.

My concerns with this proposed construction project are numerous and based on my past experiences with Target and its contractors on past remodel projects at this site. I have summarized these concerns in the attached PDF chart, for your consideration, along with one photo of shipping containers parked in the fire lane on the East side of the Target store in October 2019 — before MB Code Enforcement told Target to remove these non-permitted containers, which they eventually did.

My primary concern is that of **construction noise** coming from the container “boneyard” outside the store, from the workers and materials moving items from there into the store, the work being done in the store (and how it will permeate through the walls), and the sounds of materials being hauled out of the store and tossed into dumpsters in the boneyard area.

Thirteen (13) homes abut the Target store on its East side, all but two of which sit at a height at or above the roofline of the Target building. The thirteen (13) homes on the East side of Magnolia Ave, across from those bordering Target, sit up higher still (due to topology), so they too have a “line of sight” to the boneyard.

If we can see the boneyard, we can hear anything going on in that area — whatever time of day it happens to be. Another oddity on the Target lot is the south-facing wall of MB Toyota which runs the length of the North end of Target — the space between these two large concrete surfaces acts like a large canyon — funneling in noise from the front parking lot at Target and Sepulveda Blvd, and delivering it right to our back doors (my

back door specifically, at 1405 Magnolia). So I too will not be spared from the sound of construction activity on the Target lot!

I respectfully request that you act on behalf of the residents and property owners along Magnolia Ave whose lives will be upended for an unreasonable amount of time, by denying the request for Target's contractor to work on site after hours. To quote President George H. W. Bush: "Just Say No".

Thank you for your consideration,

Paul Mullin  
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c: 310-613-1868  
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Attachments:

1. PDF: 21-0142 Magnolia Ave Concerns - Mullin
2. JPEG: Containers on Target's East side alley - October 2019







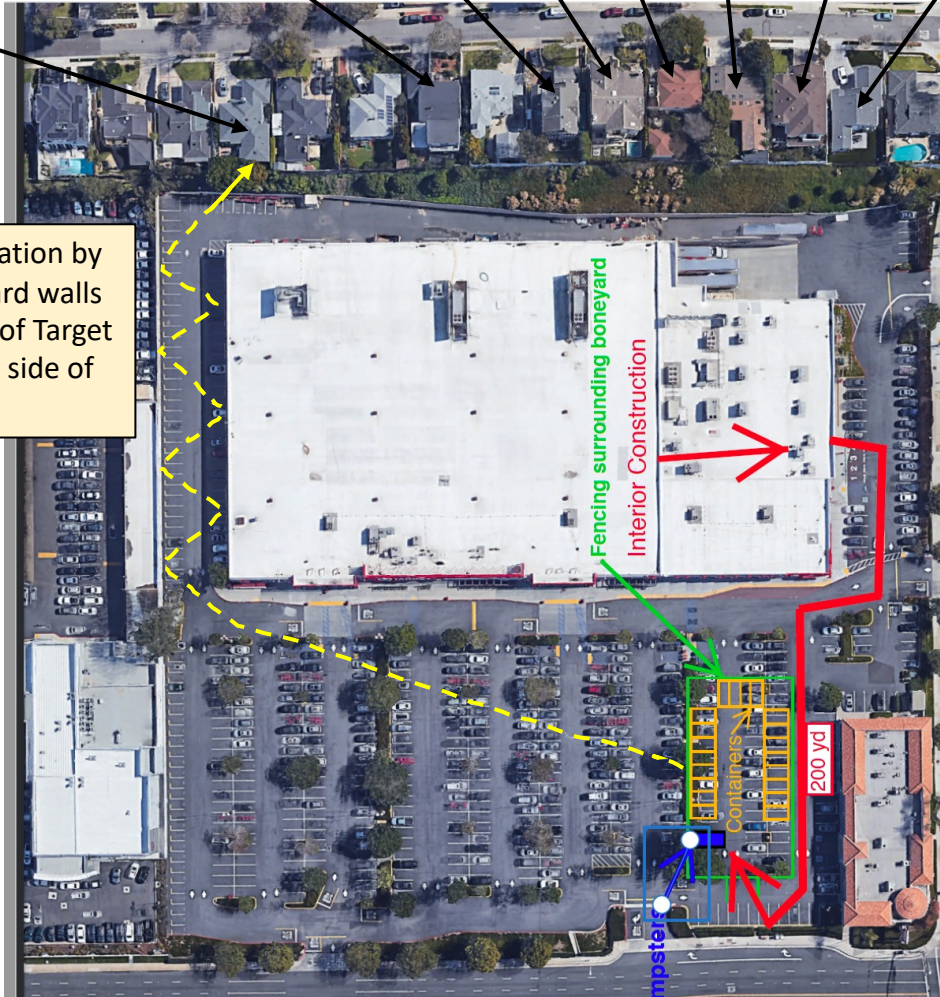
Left: View looking East towards Magnolia Ave from Target lot location for Containers as shown in “site plan sketch” below

Mullin Home  
1405 Magnolia Ave

Sound propagation by echoing off hard walls on North end of Target and the South side of MB Toyota.

Submitted by:  
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5/18/2021  
MB CC 21-0142



Magnolia Ave Topology:

- 13 Homes on the West side of Magnolia Ave share a property line with Target.
- 13 homes on the East side of Magnolia (across the street) all sit higher up than the homes on the West side, giving them a view of Target.
- All homes South of 1405 Magnolia Ave are even with or higher than the Target building’s roof line, giving them a line-of-sight (and hearing) to the proposed container “boneyard” area in the lot as shown in the *Target Staging Site Plan Sketch*.
- If we can see it – we will hear it: ANYTHING going on down there on the lot.
- The North end of the Target store is bounded by a tall wall from MB Toyota, creating a perfect echo “canyon” effect – sound carries from the Target lot and Sepulveda Blvd into our neighborhood all too easily. So even though I do not have line of sight at 1405 Magnolia, I will certainly hear any activity going on in the Target parking lot area.

Noise Sources of Concern:

- Construction crews accessing metal containers, opening & closing them, working inside them, carrying supplies out of them, throwing discarded metal racks and displays back into them.
- Forklifts backing up, hand trucks rolling across hard pavement, ferrying supplies and construction materials, discards from the interior construction area.
- Construction personnel parking, ingress, egress to/from the store interior.
- Opening access doors on the East side of Target – noise coming out from inside.
- Impact hammers, saws, other power tools being used on the inside or outside.
- Discards being tossed into construction dumpsters in the boneyard area.
- Music from radios in the boneyard area or the interior job site.

Other Concerns:

- Project scheduled in the summer months when we sleep with our windows open.
- Will the construction be limited to Monday – Friday only? No later than 10 PM?
- Target placing “temporary” containers full of seasonal merch on North & East sides of the property, directly behind our homes, as they did in 2019.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Natalie Umof <natalieumof@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:46 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in DA Gascon

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Hello,

As a concerned homeowner who lives and works in the beautiful city of Manhattan Beach, I would like to support a vote of NO CONFIDENCE in DA Gascon.

We need to keep our city safe and protected by increasing funding for our incredible MBPD. We need to vote NO CONFIDENCE in DA Gascon to ensure MBPD's hard work in keeping our city safe is not threatened by the DA's reckless reforms.

Thank you,

Natalie Umof



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** bellnott@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:43 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hello council members. I'm writing in support of keeping the outdoor dining spaces through the summer here in MB. I've been a resident of the South Bay since 1989 and I think with warmer weather, the outdoor dining platforms really enhance our downtown. Though they, at times, impede parking, I believe overall they are a really big positive. We are much more likely to walk or bike in to town to eat outdoors in the summer, rather than indoors.

Best,  
Camela Ott

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bonnie Brockman <mb90266@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:38 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote on No Confidence

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We support the vote of No Confidence in George Gascon. We do not support his policies and do support just and fair enforcement of laws.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Brockman

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** lucy artinian <lartinian20@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:32 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in DA George Gascon

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Gascon should change his opinion or better yet resign. He is there to protect and serve the people not some strange belief.

California has become the New Detroit. Detroit is moving on after losing two thirds of its' population.

28 year resident of MB  
Bob Hoersch

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Ann Martin <annmartin3108@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:16 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence vote for District Attorney Gascon

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Dear City Council Members,

I urge you to vote No Confidence for District Attorney Gascon tonight. He is much too lenient on hardened criminals and needs to step down from his current position.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ann Martin

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ally Bowdoin <allybowdoin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:05 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hello MB City Council,

In anticipation of your meeting tonight regarding the future of outdoor dining in town, I wanted to write with my thoughts on the subject. I'm a 17 year resident of Manhattan Beach, and I live close to downtown. I have always felt that we do not have enough outdoor dining space in town, given our beautiful weather and proximity to the beach. One of the silver linings of COVID has been the addition of the parklets and more outdoor dining here, so I am in favor of keeping it in some format.

I understand there may be challenges with parking and noise at night in certain locations, but I'm hoping this forced experiment has allowed everyone to see that it is doable and has not created too much trouble for anyone. I'm sure there will be those who are against it, but everyone I know in town loves it and hopes it will stay. I would imagine other retail businesses would benefit from the added foot traffic and people around their shops dining, and certainly the restaurants will benefit.

I won't belabor the point, and I'm sure you have lots of variables to consider, but I wanted to share my opinion on the matter if that would help in any way. Thanks for all you do for our city!

Best regards,

Ally Bowdoin

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** David Rutan <daverutan2002@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:45 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Cc:** Richard Montgomery; Steve Napolitano; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Joe Franklin  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MB City Council 21-0142: Concerns with Proposed After-hours Construction at Target Store, 1200 Sepulveda (10 PM - 7:30 AM, for Four Months)

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RE: MB City Council 21-0142: My concerns with the proposed after-hours construction at the Target Store at 1200 Sepulveda

Dear Manhattan Beach Clerk and City Council,

I live at 1217 Magnolia Ave. and am writing to expressing my concerns about allowing after hours construction for the Target project that is to take place over the next four months. Whereas I see a "boneyard" place somewhat away from the residences to help reduce construction noise, in my experience besides the noisy forklifts used, things are dropped loudly, slid loudly, and moved loudly (rear backup sound) as the engine works harder under load. The nature of construction work generates noise, loud noise.

There is also the issue of banging on vents and things that come through the roof. On one earlier construction project this banging was occuring after midnight and was quite loud and impossible to sleep through. I called the police more than once during that project.

In summary, I urge you to require this construction to be performed during daytime hours and not during night hours which will 100% disturb nearby neighbors.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dave B. Rutan, PhD, Esq.

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** byokomizo@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:24 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment

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Dear City Council of Manhattan Beach,

As a citizen impacted by the violent crime of a loved one, I urge a vote of no confidence against Los Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascon. We must protect the people of Manhattan Beach!

Respectfully Yours,

Bryce Yokomizo

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** abel pereira <abelpereira114@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:07 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence Vote for George Gascon

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I'm one of many very concerned citizens who strongly disagree with the detrimental policies George Gascon has instituted since becoming LA County District Attorney. As a life-long citizen of Los Angeles County who has always cared deeply about public safety, I ask you to (move your City Council to) place a "NO CONFIDENCE" vote on Mr. Gascon. So far, the cities of Beverly Hills, Pico Rivera, Santa Clarita, Lancaster, Covina, Whittier, Rosemead and La Mirada have issued a NO CONFIDENCE in George Gascon and many other cities across the County have this on their agendas. I hope I can count on you and your colleagues to issue the same for (name of city).

Within minutes of being sworn in, Mr. Gascon made drastic changes that he did not disclose when campaigning which are letting violent and dangerous criminals back out onto our streets. This is unacceptable. In addition, Gascon filed briefs in appellate court supporting violent criminal defendants – our DA is supporting the criminal's appeal!? What a sad message that sends to those who have been victimized by these criminals as well as those who have fought to seek justice for the victims. In addition, under the DA's recently enacted policies, prosecutors must now support parole for those rated as a low or moderate risk of re-offending. For those considered high-risk, prosecutors must be neutral. In no case may they oppose parole. Gascon's policies are reducing the ability of his prosecutors throughout Los Angeles County to keep our streets safe for its citizens. George Gascon fooled the voters of LA County and must be removed from office.

It certainly appears that Gascon's removal of Gang Enhancement charges are already profoundly impacting every community. Neither Beverly Hills or Sherman Oaks have been targeted by gang activity until now. Recently it became clear that the well-publicized robbery and shooting at Il Pastaio restaurant in Beverly Hills was committed by the Rollin 30's Crips Gang. I fear that this type of brazen crime will continue unless we take a stand to change the lax and inappropriate sentences for violent criminals now being recommended due to Gascon's recently enacted policies.

Even police stations are not safe! Someone firebombed the occupied Topanga police station just last month, putting at risk the lives of those law enforcement officers who are just doing their jobs. Sadly, the Los Angeles Police Protective League issued the following statement: "Unfortunately, with a district attorney like George Gascón, there's a good chance the firebomber's crime will be pled down to starting an illegal campfire with a sentence recommendation of no s'mores at bedtime and a group therapy session to determine how society contributed to this crime. These attacks targeting law enforcement must stop, and those who carry out these attacks must be taken off our streets. It would be great to have a DA that agreed." I couldn't agree more.

Finally, there are rallies being held throughout the Southland of the families who have lost loved ones to violent crime. Not only those who are those awaiting trial or sentencing for violent crime face now much reduced sentences, those convicted felons who are currently in prison are being released and are returning to the streets.

I want to call your attention to the well-publicized case of Anthony Avalos. George Gascon removed the special-circumstance allegation of murder involving the infliction of torture which reduced their possible sentence from the death penalty to life in prison. The voters in the State of California have repeatedly voted to maintain the death penalty as punishment for the worst of the worst offenders. If ever there was a case where the death penalty should be considered, it is the case of Anthony Avalos. The life of little Anthony who endured horrendous and unrelenting torture in his short ten years on this Earth matters more than the criminals who repeatedly brutalized and ultimately killed him.

Please stand with those of us of all different races, genders, ages and political parties who just want to keep LA County safe. Please stand with the various law enforcement officers who work so hard to protect its citizens. Please stand with those who are the victims of violent crime and their families by placing a VOTE of NO CONFIDENCE in GEORGE GASCON.

Respectfully submitted

Abel Pereira



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jen Jenkins Dohner <jendohner@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:59 PM  
**To:** Suzanne Hadley; Richard Montgomery; jfranklin@mbcityinfo.org; Steve Napolitano; Hildy Stern; List - City Council  
**Cc:** info@da.lacounty.gov; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please, Do Not Make a Vote of No Confidence Against George Gascon

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Dear Mayor Hadley and Councilmembers Montgomery, Franklin, Napolitano and Stern. I have also copied LA County DA, George Gascon and the City Clerk's Office.

I am disappointed by today's City Council agenda item considering a vote of no confidence against LA County DA, George Gascon. I'm unsure what might be achieved by such an action, but it's entirely outside the scope of responsibilities of our City Council to remark upon the work of a duly elected county official with which our city must interface. It's not only divisive, but also a waste of time, energy, and Manhattan Beach taxpayer dollars to have this item on the agenda, let alone to consider enacting it. Please ask yourselves what good could possibly come from it?

I understand Manhattan Beach voting numbers are being used to justify this, which would only make sense if George Gascon was elected via a citywide election. This was a countywide election, and 18% of Manhattan Beach residents did not vote in this race, which represents an error bar large enough that you have no idea what approval level Gascon may truly have here. I happen to be one of the 45% of MB voters who voted for Gascon and I am happy with the job he is doing. A vote of no confidence by the MB City Council would misrepresent the support I and many like-minded MB residents have for Gascon's data driven approach to fairness and transparency in policing.

62% of MB voters voted for Hillary Clinton compared to 35% for Trump in 2016 and despite the fact that Trump's national approval rating never even reached 50%, our City Council never made a vote of no confidence against him. They didn't even do it during the Pandemic, when the City finally adopted health policies that could be described as diametrically opposed to his denial of science. It could be argued that enacting a vote of no confidence against Trump, or a resolution denouncing his denial of science could have saved lives, and yet that was not done. Why not? Because it would have been a symbolic partisan gesture that would have caused more division at a time when we really didn't need it. That's why. And that's why you should not be doing it in the case of George Gascon.

The Manhattan Beach Police Department, interfaces with the LA County DA's office on a regular basis in the due course of its business. The fact that Chief Abell also reports to you puts him and his department in a precarious position if you enact this vote of no confidence. A no confidence vote will not change the policy or the duly elected status of George Gascon, but it will cause unneeded division between the DA's office and the MBPD. If the DA's office must treat Manhattan Beach with kid gloves, will our city receive all the County resources it needs or currently enjoys? What's more, many of George Gascon's policies are aimed at removing systemic racism from our justice system. Since the killing of George Floyd, the nation is tuned into this issue. Does our City Council really need to make national news yet again for decisions that could be considered racist?

I do not support the vote of confidence that you are considering. Please do not enact it. Stick with your mission statement, "*Our **mission** is to provide excellent municipal services, preserve our small **beach** town character, and enhance the quality of life for our residents, businesses and visitors.*" You risk the seamless delivery of municipal services with this decision which will not help to preserve any status quo here in Manhattan Beach. Acting against the DA I voted for most definitely does not improve my life, nor will being in discord with the LA

County DA's office improve the lives of any of our residents, our businesses, or our visitors. Please stop with the partisan politics and focus on policies that will actually improve our lives.

Sincerely,  
Jen Jenkins Dohner  
Manhattan Beach Resident for 25 years

**JEN JENKINS DOHNER**

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Judy schlecht <judyschlecht@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:45 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascone

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I urge you to vote "no confidence " on George Gascone's policies!

My dear friend's husband was a LAPD motors officer who was shot in the back after a traffic stop, killing him and leaving a wife and 2 young sons without their daddy. Gasgone is considering releasing the murderer!

Please stop this insanity!

Thank you,

Judy Schlecht

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** dmcphersonla@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:36 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Bruce Moe; Liza Tamura; Martha Alvarez  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Opposition to Permanent Parklets, Agenda Item G(a)  
**Attachments:** 210518-McP-CC-Testimony-Parklets.pdf

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Attached, my testimony for Agenda Item G(a).

Don McPherson  
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Cell 310 487 0383  
[dmcphersonla@gmail.com](mailto:dmcphersonla@gmail.com)

**CITY COUNCIL TESTIMONY, EAT & DRINK PARKLETS, 18 MAY 2021**

I will address the agenda issue of letting eat & drink parklets remain for a longer time past July 5, the city euphemism for making them permanent.

That will not happen, for the following reason. Parklets reduce public access to the beach by encroaching on parking spaces. Furthermore, they increase Downtown eat & drink occupancy, which additionally decreases parking availability. When unoccupied, the parklets soak up 67 parking spaces without benefit, not even to the eat & drink constituency.

This double-whammy reduction in parking violates the Coastal Act, which holds access as its highest priority. It also adversely impacts non eat & drink businesses, by unfairly taking their parking.

Last year, you lost Keen vs Manhattan Beach regarding the short-term rental ban, because Judge Chalfant ruled that it impacted access. That case far more nuanced than the parklet encroachments the city now considers making permanent.

You will lose this one because the facts so clear. We would not need expert opinions as MB Poets does for the 600 S Sepulveda hotel lawsuit. Keen vs MB can be repurposed for parklet litigation. Presumably, litigants would engage Mr. Keen's attorney, Frank Angel.

Regarding that case, Mr. Angel observed to Easy Reader, "It's a no-brainer. And that's why we got such a strong judgment." He would probably jump at the opportunity for an even easier case.

Tonight, you should take permanent parklets off the table.

Your approval of closing Manhattan Ave for the eat & drink crowd resulted in the debacle that residents predicted.

You should focus on real problems, such as affordable housing, rather than wasting more taxpayer money on a guaranteed loser.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bruce Evans <brucefevans@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:31 PM  
**To:** cityclerk@DiamondBarCA.gov; City Clerk; cityclerk@sgch.org;  
cityclerk@santafesprings.org; cityclerk@redondo.org  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon Recall

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Hello,

I am writing to add my voice to the groundswell of people all over LA County demanding the recall of George Gascon. Please vote this evening to ensure that happens. Thank you.

Bruce Evans

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Alicia Alvarado <AliciaMarieAlvarado@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:28 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] PUBLIC COMMENT

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Good evening Mayor and Manhattan Beach City Council members. I'm emailing tonight on the subject of the vote of no confidence for George Gascon.

The policies and directives implemented by Gascon have... and will continue to adversely affect public safety. Gascon has disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public and resisting arrest.

That means the citizens of this city can be harassed while at the park with their children, while out grocery shopping or out for a walk and the individual harassing the citizen can then resist arrest, attack our officers and be released within 48 hours with no charge.

Gascon has also implemented zero bail for all misdemeanors and non-violent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence.

He has also ended cash bail, even though California voters overwhelmingly voted to keep bail in California through the defeat of prop 25.

I feel that these policies will destroy the morale of the officers who bravely patrol our neighborhoods.

The DA has also disallowed filing special circumstances in any case..... Permanently!

Again what this means is if a person in any LA County city rapes and murders a child, commits a hate crime murder, tortures a vulnerable victim to death or kills a police officer, that person can be paroled at some point. Removing special circumstances gives murderers a chance to be free. Like Julian Andrades murderers. Julian Andrade was a 20-year-old young man brutally beaten and stabbed until he was unconscious. He was then driven up to Azusa canyons. Where his killers repeatedly stomped on his head and threw his body down a cliff.

The special circumstances of use of a deadly weapon, robbery, lying in wait and kidnapping have been removed from this case. So life without parole, will be off the table and they can be out within 25 years. Julian Andrade's family will never see him again. Julian story is only ONE of MANY! Just recently Gascon has filed briefs in appellate court supporting a DEFENDANT after a judge refused to dismiss a firearms enhancement. And he no longer allows his prosecutors to attend parole hearings..leaving grieving victims and families without support. I understand he was elected but please understand that those who voted for Gascon were not fully aware of the radical changes he would be making. They did not know that the DA they were electing would be siding with violent criminals. I feel like his policies are anti-victim and pro criminal.

His policies ignore justice and public safety. So I ask you to please join Beverly Hills, Pico Rivera, Santa Clarita, Lancaster, Whittier, Rosemead, Covina and Azusa and give a vote of no confidence against George Gascon.

Thank you

Alicia Alvarado

LA County Resident

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Michael Sunn <mikellysunn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:28 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] A Vote "No Confidence" against George Gascon Tonight

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I urge the council to vote "No Confidence" against Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon. His progressive policies put all of us in danger by not prosecuting criminals to the full extent of the law

Thank you,  
Michael Sunn.



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Hagopians <serhagopian@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:20 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DA George Gascon

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Honorable councilmembers:

I understand that you will be considering a vote of "No Confidence" against LA District Attorney George Gascon.

I would like to urge you to vote NO CONFIDENCE on his policies. His priorities are not in line with the needs of the citizens of LA county. I understand he is too lax on dangerous criminals and does not understand our need for safety, especially during the times we are living in.

Sincerely,  
Ser Hagopian

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** tim harper <ctimhrpr@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:09 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] "No Confidence" against Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon TONIGHT!

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Please place a vote of "No Confidence" against Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon TONIGHT! All of Our Safety is at risk, he will be recalled and you will look good to your citizens. It's a win, win!

Thank you in advance,  
Tim

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** k siebenaler <socalsiebs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:00 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence for Gascon

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Hello,

I am writing to ask that your city council please vote no confidence in Gascon. The amount of crime and homelessness that has skyrocket is astounding. Downtown Los Angeles look like a run down Gotham. Overpasses all over LA county are filled with lines of tents.

We used to live in the SouthBay and frequented your city because it was a safe and clean place. Do not become like the rest of LA because of the rhetoric of one politician who already left San Fransisco in shambles. We now live in Azusa, and although I love our city, whenever the tents pop up on the freeway, a wave of crime, panhandlers, and human waste little our neighborhoods. My husband was recently assaulted by a homeless man with a crowbar. We pay too much money to live like this. It is enough. We need you to take a stand against the dangerous rhetoric of the divisively charged identity politics. Please support our police, keep critical race theory out of your school, and encourage a city of free thought. DA Gascon has an agenda, and it is not to protect the average hard working tax payer. Please stand strong and vote no confidence.

Thank you,  
Kelley Siebenaler

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Nina Neumann <nina\_steffen1999@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:59 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Tonight's meeting

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Good afternoon,

I am writing to you today in regards to this evening's City Council meeting. I urge the council members to vote "No Confidence" on George Gascon's policies for LA County.

Thank you for your time & consideration.

Respectfully,  
Nina N.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** shel B <sjb0216@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:58 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] PLEASE VOTE NO CONFIDENCE IN GASCON

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Dear Councilmember,

I urge you to vote NO CONFIDENCE in Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon.

Mr. Gascon has implemented policies that endanger the public in favor of criminals, including heinous criminals. We as citizens must have representatives who put our safety, security, and wellbeing as their prime mission.

Respectfully,  
Sheldon Burgh

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Trudy Trump <ttrumpduck@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:49 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] For Public Comment 5/18/21

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I do not live in Manhattan Beach, I live in Santa Clarita and spend a lot of time in your city. I encouraged my city to pass a vote of no confidence for George Gascon (which we did) because the safety of children and families everywhere is important to me. Therefore I urge you to vote for “No Confidence” today against George Gascon. The policies and directives implemented by George Gascon adversely affect the public safety in our communities. These policies do not help or support our residents. Basically, these policies provide comfort and support to criminals.

Gascon implemented \$0 bail for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are by repeat offenders. This policy is a direct violation of the will of the people. I voted against \$0 bail in the fall of 2020 along with millions of my fellow citizens. The DA has even disallowed the “out-on-bail” enhancement. That means a person can commit domestic violence, child abuse, theft crimes, vandalism, battery, second and third-time DUI, and all sorts of other crimes, get arrested, and then get released within 48 hours on \$0 bail. That person can then turn around and reoffend and this is happening now in my community & there is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop these criminals!

The DA has also disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public, and resisting arrest. This means that individuals can harass patrons and community members at our malls, supermarkets, restaurants, a daycare center, a school, or just about anywhere, resist arrest and attack the police when deputies and officers are called, and the wrongdoer will be released within 48 hours with no charge. These policies will lead to diminished quality of life in Manhattan Beach and the lack of punishment or deterrence will eventually lead to those individuals committing more serious crimes. These policies will also destroy the morale of the deputies & police officers who honorably patrol our neighborhoods.

Gascon never once mentioned during his campaign for LADA that he would implement the incredibly reckless policies he has put forth for his Department to follow that I’m sure you are all aware of by now,

Gascon believes Releasing violent criminals from prison early into our communities will not make our communities less safe...he sites “data & science”. I couldn’t disagree more.

This is not a Republican or a Democratic issue. This is a human rights issue. This is a community issue. This is a public safety issue. Just because someone was voted in by the people does not mean he or she is above the law. No one is above the law, not even the DA. I believe the voters did not expect the LA DA would be siding with violent criminals.

Leadership does not come from power or your title. It does not come from winning an election. Inconsistencies, the complete failure to follow the law, personal politics, and implementing blanket policies from a person **who has NEVER tried one case as a prosecutor** shows a complete crisis in leadership regarding Gascon’s directives. His policies completely ignore the rights of victims and their families, while focusing exclusively on the criminal and wrongdoer. His policies also disregard the law, public safety, and the will of the voters; and

could lead to dangerous results.

I think the residents of Manhattan Beach need to take a stand and be one voice by voting "NO CONFIDENCE" to these destructive policies in our community!

Respectfully,  
Trudy Boehme  
Santa Clarita

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Elle Marie <lwaters5@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:42 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of no confidence

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Please I urge the city Council to place a vote of no confidence for the current district attorney George Gascon. We cannot allow violent criminals to commit violent crimes and treat them like they are children or like they are babies and they don't understand what they are doing. If the punishment doesn't fit the crime the crime will continue to exist and will continue to escalate. Please help us to remain safe in our communities.

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**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Joanne Hadley <joanne@hadleybiz.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:42 PM  
**To:** Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Steve Napolitano; Richard Montgomery; Joe Franklin; City Clerk  
**Cc:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Don't adopt "No Confidence" Resolution

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Regarding proposal of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón.

The city council's job is to create *local* policies. This is NOT a local policy.

So my message to the council is simple: "**Don't adopt this resolution.**"

Our city would not benefit from that...instead it lowers our confidence in our City Council members.

Please get to work on things the residents find more meaningful.

Thank you,  
Joanne Hadley

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sandy J <sandy.jackson3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:41 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comments-Gascon Vote

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Dear City Council Members,

I know you are considering a vote today/tonight in your meeting. **PLEASE vote for “NO Confidence” against Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon.** I am writing as a widow and victim of crime, my husband was an LAPD Officer who was murdered “in the line of duty”, in 1983. Our family has been put through almost 38 years of court proceedings and we are currently facing another retrial for one of my husband’s murderers, the other is on death row. Please do the right thing and support victims NOT criminals as DDA Gascon’s policies do. We are all victims at his hands.

On behalf of our family, thank you,

Sandy Verna Jackson

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gary White <grw1951@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:38 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Please urge the City Council to give a No Confidence vote to District Attorney George Gascon. His ideas and policies favor criminals over victims. He is going after police officers. He is jeopardizing the safety of everyone in LA County.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** KIM MOORE <moorebetter@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:36 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Cityclerk@citymb.info

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Please I urge the city Council to place a vote of no confidence for the current district attorney George Gascon. We cannot allow violent criminals to commit violent crimes and treat them like they are children or like they are babies and they don't understand what they are doing. If the punishment doesn't fit the crime the crime will continue to exist and will continue to escalate. Please help us to remain safe in our communities.

Kim Moore  
Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Paula Glickstein <paulasue22@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Normally I consider these attempts at recall sour grapes. But in this case it appears the people who voted for Mr. Gascon had no idea that he had no respect for the law. While they should have looked into his beliefs before voting, they didn't and we now have a District Attorney who has no respect for the law. That's extremely dangerous. There are enough problems in Los Angeles County right now. Having a District Attorney who refuses to prosecute people who commit crimes is something we really don't need. Please add my voice to those who are requesting the council vote no confidence in Mr. Gascon.

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sandy Hilton <shilton321@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:28 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Sandy Hilton; brucemoe@citymb.info; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Concerns over Outdoor Dining in MB downtown district

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To: Members of the City Council:

It is my understanding that the Manhattan Beach City Council will be discussing outdoor dining in downtown MB at the May 18 meeting. I can not attend the meeting but wish to express my concerns over the proliferation of outdoor dining during Covid and the effects it has on the residential areas as well as the businesses in the downtown area.

First, please keep in mind that these outdoor spaces were designed as a TEMPORARY emergency measure designed to give TEMPORARY relief to existing restaurants in the downtown corridor. No one could have predicted that they would be up so long and now the amount of outdoor seating has grown exponentially. (In some cases - it appears that some restaurants now have more seating then they did with their inside seating). They were erected without a lot of investigation into the impacts on traffic, safety, accessibility, noise, parking and impacts to nearby residents. They were to be TEMPORARY and were designed as such.

The downtown corridor has now been essentially taken over by outdoor seating, reducing the already limited parking, reducing access to retail business in the area, creating traffic impacts, reducing drivability, walkability and increasing noise levels and disruptions to nearby residents. There is now an over emphasis and making the restaurants successful, but much less concern to the well being of retail businesses and residents.

I do not object to outdoor dining, but a careful study needs to be completed to determine an appropriate amount, safety, less impact to already limited parking, consideration to the other businesses in the area, reduction in noise level to residents. Parking has always been a problem, but now it is ridiculous. With the loss of so much parking, those seeking parking are using the few precious spaces left that accommodate the needs of the residents, (eg having deliveries or services to their house, having guests find parking, spaces for additional cars in the homes built years ago with small garages etc).

If MB is going to have some downtown outdoor dining, these temporary platforms first need to be removed and a serious study needs to be made with community input - to determine whether it is feasible with the limited physical downtown space, the density that it brings, the impact it has on the character of downtown MB and the impact on crime, traffic, crowds, noise, and costs to the residents.

Sincerely,

Sandy Hilton

129 13<sup>th</sup> St

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Corine Rodriguez <rodriguezfam5@rocketmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** Corine Rodriguez  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Consider a vote of "No Confidence" against Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon

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To Whom it may concern:

I am a victim of violence, and DA George Cascon's policy changes have made me relive the worst moment of my life.

My brother was murdered by two individuals that went on a murder spree one summer. Due to some of the recent policy changes, my family along with the other victims families were devastated to find out that these individuals were up for potential early release? We had to re-live the crimes all over again - to face these individuals who again showed no remorse for what they did.

These policies are a slap in the face by our justice system, and have showed that victims are less important than the criminals!

Please consider a vote of "No Confidence" today against DA George Gascon and his policies.

Sincerely,

Corine Rodriguez



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ellie Heffernan <esh7@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:16 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No trust and NO CONFIDENCE IS GEORGE GASCON

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PLEASE JOIN THE RECALL OF THE (ATTORNEY GENERAL) GEORGE GASCON WHO IS ABETTING CRIMINALS IN THE

THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. HE IS TRASHING ALL OUR LAWS. HE NEEDS TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE AND BE PUT ON TRIAL AS HE VIOLATE HIS COMMITMENT TO THE OFFICE.

SINCERELY CONCERNED CITIZEN,  
E. HEFFERNAN

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** taylor patterson <taylorcoco44@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:14 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon Please place a VOTE of no CONFIDENCE

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Hello I am a concerned Citizen I would like for the city Council for Manhattan Beach to vote no confidence in the efforts to recall George Gascon as the Los Angeles County District Attorney. We can't allow the crime in Los Angeles to continue to rise because the punishment does not fit the crime.  
If it doesn't fit the crime will continue to exist

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Irma Granger <sea\_lover@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:58 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence Vote of George Gascon

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Please share the information below with your Council Members regarding tonight's vote on the subject topic.

I strongly urge the Manhattan Beach City Council to vote affirmatively tonight on the **No-Confidence agenda item regarding Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón**. It is in the best interest of the citizens of Manhattan Beach for the City Council to make this important statement for the sake of public safety and in support of victims of violent crime in the City of Manhattan Beach affected by Gascón's policies. George Gascon's policies are dangerous and demonstrate a lack of regard or care for the victims of crime in Los Angeles County, as noted by the areas he has targeted listed below.

1. CASH BAIL: There was no "working on it." Despite the votes demanding via initiative that bail was necessary, DA Gascon instituted no cash bail anyhow.

2. DEATH PENALTY: Gascon's policies guarantee every murderer a parole hearing in 20-30 years. At least this way they have a chance to get out and kill again.

3. JUVENILE JUSTICE: Violent young men (17y 11m) will not be held in custody longer than age 25, even for vicious gang murders, mass killings, serial rapist-murderers, and multiple body homicides. No matter how violent an offense, or how many violent offenses a criminal commits, they will remain in juvenile courts with no exceptions. As an example, a 17 y 11-month juvenile shot and killed his 16-year-old girlfriend and her 20-year-old sister. Then, he burned down their apartment complex. DA Gascon firmly believes a maximum of 7 years serves justice in this case. In fact, he believes it so strongly, he refused to meet with the victim's family. No longer allowed to file strike offenses (i.e. robbery) if the juvenile is 16 or 17 at time of the offense. Instead of filing a robbery, would be required to file grand theft. No enhancements or allegations can be filed.

4. VICTIMS: Gascon yells at victims to "shut their mouth" because they are "uneducated." A killer one month shy of his 18th birthday shoots and kills two sisters, then burns down the family's apartment house. DA Gascon demands the petition to try the 17y 11m old killer be withdrawn. The prosecutors brought the case to management and asked management to meet with the victims. Instead, Chief Deputy Joseph Iniguez, emailed the family and explained while the victims have rights, the needs of the defendant outweighed their views and, therefore, the defendant would remain in juvenile. George Gascon still refuses to meet with the victims.

Result: Massive witness intimidation particularly in violent gang homicides and domestic violence cases. Violent cases are dismissed as there is no enforcement mechanism to necessary evidence can be presented in court.

5. MISDEMEANORS: Refuses to file: Resisting arrest; Prostitution Drug and alcohol crimes, Driving Under the Influence (first time), Driving without a license or a suspended license, Trespass (And dismissing all of these cases in misdemeanor court).

6. GUN POLICIES: All prior, current and future gun enhancements must be dismissed, with rare exceptions.

7. ELIMINATING ALL SENTENCE ENHANCEMENTS/ ALLEGATIONS: Blanket elimination of special circumstance allegations which result in Life Without the Possibility of Parole ("LWOP") no matter how heinous the crime; No hate crime, gun, gang, great bodily injury, or out of bail allegations may be attached to felony offenses. Repeat violent offenders (murderers, rapists, robbers, kidnappers, sex offenders, etc.) are treated as first time offenders in new

felony offenses and provided with probation or the lowest amount of prison time. This policy covers all current and past offenses. So, every second and third strike violent offender will be re-sentenced as if they were a first-time offender and receive probation or minimum jail time. Most of them will be eligible for immediate release after the enhancements are dismissed.

8. PAROLE: DDAs are prohibited from attending parole hearings, nor may DDAs oppose the release of any offender up for parole, no matter how serious or how violent the offense is. This puts the victim or the victim's family in the horrible position of having to speak at the parole hearing with limited, experience or knowledge of the specifics of the case. Not only is it unacceptable for the District Attorney's office to abdicate its obligations to the citizens of this County, the victim and/or the victim's family is re-victimized through this action.

Respectfully submitted,  
Irma Granger

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** KATALINA <klanaya@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:46 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Urging a NO Confidence Vote on Gascon

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Please vote No Confidence for Gascon !

Kathy Anaya

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** David & Debbie Dolan <littlecountryhome@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:39 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DA Gascon

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Please vote NO CONFIDENCE. Gascon is a disgrace. He's giving a free ride to criminals to commit crimes because he's eliminating deterrents. People are less safe with him in office.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sherine Saade <sherinesaade@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:35 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please vote NO CONFIDENCE IN OUR DA, GEORGE GASCON

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Greetings Mayor and Manhattan Beach Councilmembers,

I am writing to you as a very concerned resident of Glendora and frequent patron of Manhattan Beach businesses, parks and beaches. The safety of our children, residents and visitors is in jeopardy under George Gascon's soft on crime policies and directives. What do you think happens when you remove the element of fear from getting caught for committing a crime? It does not decrease the numbers of crimes committed, that's for sure. Public safety should be the #1 concern of each and every elected city official and I don't even feel safe going to the mall or park anymore. We are all part of one community and our cities are interconnected. One of many policies I strongly disagree with is \$0 bail, giving criminals zero reason, not to commit a crime. Gascon implemented \$0 bail (which we voted against) and disallowed the "out-on-bail" enhancement for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are repeat offenders and released within 48 hours. There is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop a criminal from continuously re-offending. The DA has also disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public and resisting arrest. These policies and the lack of punishment will lead to more serious crimes being committed in our community.

As a lifelong citizen of LA County, I'm asking you to join the cities of Beverly Hills, Pico Rivera, Santa Clarita, Lancaster, Covina, Azusa, Whittier, Rosemead and La Mirada to place a "NO CONFIDENCE" vote on George Gascon.

Thank you,  
Sherine

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** text book <textbookuser@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:33 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public comment no confidence gascon

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I support no confidence vote of gascon. People deserve to be safe and protected from crime. Gascon is hurting the community by only focusing on people who commit crimes and never the victims.

Joseph



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ali Altaha <arsy214@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:32 PM  
**To:** CityClerk@ArcadiaCA.gov; cityclerk@DiamondBarCA.gov; City Clerk; cityclerk@sgch.org; cityclerk@santafesprings.org; cityclerk@redondo.org  
**Cc:** Recall George Gascon Campaign  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] ReCall George Gascon

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The Honorable City Councils and Council Members:

City of Arcadia  
City of Dimond Bar  
City of Manhattan Beach  
City of San Gabriel  
City of Santa Fe Spring  
City of Redondo Beach

I urge you to vote on a "No Confidence" on the bigot George Gascon. He needs to be booted out of CA without delay.

I lived in SF for years when he first came in as a registered Republican from Arizona and switched sides for the convenience of been hired as the Chief of Police by then Mayor Gavin Newsom.

In 2009, Gascon wasted no time with his controversies dueling with me on National News with his outrageous bigot remarks in a public fundraising event. Remarks that showed his true bigotry colors, his racism and more importantly his low IQ fueled by his arrogance, and ignorance of facts.

The same colors that he proven with his disregard to law and order, when SF became the city with the highest number of normal people Cars "smash and grab" just for fun. Normal citizens and their properties had no rights under Gascon.

The same color with his financial handlers and specifically willie ass brown that paid him a \$1M so he can find a way to drop the charges on a Millionaire that lived in my building, called the Infinity after a CCTV recording showed a domestic violence incident of the Millionaire hitting his GF over 200 times. The Millionaire was whisked to Florida without prosecution

The same "legal technicality" was deployed in 2016/17 after the arrest and trial of Zula Jones of the SF HRC the Queenpin of the current Pay-and-Play in the CCSF unearthed recently by the USAO and the FBI. The corruption evidence on Zula Jones was sealed by Gascon on willie ass brown orders.

As a DA, he wasted no time forcing his office staff to engage in his political campaigns while they were on the city payroll.

A simple search of the SF Examiner and SF Gate will show one article after another on the bigot Gascon and his controversies

Gascon has no morals, a wishy-washy idiot, and the record shows he wasted no time in LA County whatsoever since Jan 22, 2021, jumping in from one controversy to another.

Please join the rest of us, protect the normal citizens and Vote "NO CONFIDENCE".

Thank you

Ali Altaha

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Herb Child <herbchild@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:21 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon is a menace to our community

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He is letting criminals go free in the community and surrounding areas that will only increase crime. We have no confidence in his ability to protect our citizens.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Neil Leventhal <nl@lma-web.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:12 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City council Meeting - Agenda Item G

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Please clarify if the Outdoor Dining item comments at tonight's council meeting are to occur during the public comment item, or as a "hearing" item during the discussion of Item G.

Thank you.

Neil Leventhal

[NL@LMA-web.com](mailto:NL@LMA-web.com)  
Cell: 310.600.5834

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Marina Isabel Ramirez <isabel25981@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:09 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Hello council members and Mayor,  
I am here to request you cast a No Confidence Vote for George Gascon DA.  
His directives are flawed and are causing and will cause immeasurable harm to many communities.  
He claims racism causes injustice i.e. long term imprisonment.  
No crime, many times horrible acts of crime cause a person to receive long term sentences. Gason's directives are right now today and every day he is in office causing Victims and their families DENIED justice as Gascon REFUSES to file charges where appropriate and is Retroactively removing charges for heinous crimes committed and releasing these criminals.  
Do Not be fooled by his rhetoric of "data and science" statement.  
He is like the emperor's new clothes story  
IT DOES NOT EXIST  
PLEASE VOTE NO CONFIDENCE  
YOU ARE DOING FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS, YOUR FAMILIES AND YOURSELVES  
WE NEVER KNOW WHEN ONE OF US MAY BECOME VICTIMS  
THANK YOU

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** edmarzec@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:09 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote NO CONFIDENCE IN DA GACON

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The minorities suffer the most due to Gascon's pro-criminal policies. Please help put a stop to his insane decisions.

Thank you

Ed Marzec

(310)490-0541

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Emily Ulstrup <emily.ulstrup@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:05 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please Vote No Confidence In George Gascon

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Hello!

Please Vote No Confidence In George Gascon! Thank you!

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Joshua Boyer <jkboyer07@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:01 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] For Public Comment

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To whom it may concern,

I believe George Gascon is a criminal in politician's clothing.

He is making it easier for criminals to get away with crimes by repealing gun laws and making it so criminals spend less time behind bars for their crimes.

I believe what he is doing in office is an egregious offense to anyone who cares about the safety of our communities, to the officers who protect us, and to the victims (like myself) who have suffered at the hands of criminals.

My father and hero, officer Keith Boyer (Whittier PD) was killed in the line of duty in the aftermath of changes just like Gascon is doing.

Please recall George Gascon and put a stop to the madness he is pursuing.

Please help me feel safe in my community.

Thank you!

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kenneth George Whitehouse <kgw36@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:59 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO TO GASCON

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Please as a resident of Manhattan Beach please just say no to DA Gascon and his policies that put all our lives in danger.

*K George Whitehouse*

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**CARPE DIEM**

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** jean-claude FHAL <jcfhal@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:58 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence for Gascon

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Thank you!  
Jean-Claude Fhal  
(818)249-0991

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** jaime va <talljaime63@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:54 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO Confidence on Gascon

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Good afternoon,

I am writing this email in regards to George Gascon's policies. I am letting you know that his policies have caused crime to skyrocket in Los Angeles County. I no longer feel safe, as does my family and community members. I ask of you to vote NO CONFIDENCE in Mr Gascon.

This is a non-partisan issue. This is a public safety issue in Manhattan Beach since Mr Gascon refuses to file criminal charges against criminals in certain cases and lets off others with a slap on the wrist.

Do it for Manhattan Beach. Do it for law and order. Do it for common sense.

Thank you and have a great day.

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Alexa Barron Levine <alexabarron@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:53 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence for Gascon

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The crime has increased in Manhattan/Hermosa and it happens to have happened when Gascon was elected.

We love living here because it's safe, but now that criminals are not being prosecuted, they are more emboldened and crime is worsening. This will only get worse.

Law & Order is crucial for a society to function. The police here are unable to properly do their jobs because of Gascon and the citizens are suffering.

Please vote No Confidence for Gascon.

Alexa

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Valerie Perales <valeriede.an@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:49 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon- no confidence

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Please vote no confidence on George Gascons policies.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Anna Pring <annabrasel@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:48 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Recall George Gascon

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I am a Victim of Crime, and plead that you  
vote "No Confidence" on George Gascon's pollicies at this evenings meeting.  
Sincerely

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kip Riggins <kipriggins@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:48 PM  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote NO CONFIDENCE against D.A. GASCÓN

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City Councilman,

Good afternoon. I write to urge you to vote NO CONFIDENCE against DA George Gascón because his actions are clearly pro-criminal. Countless loved ones of victims are shouting against the injustice of this preferential treatment throughout LA County. He has to go!

Best Regards,  
Katharine Riggins  
LA County resident

<https://www.breitbart.com/law-and-order/2021/02/08/judge-stops-some-of-soros-funded-l-a-district-attorney-george-gascons-radical-policies/>

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/crime/several-of-da-george-gascóns-reforms-blocked-by-la-county-judge/ar-BB1dvENS>

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ruth Kawamoto <rkawamoto45@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:43 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence in George Gascon as District Attorney!

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I urge the Manhattan Beach City Council to vote No Confidence in George Gascon as District Attorney. His policies are gutting criminal justice throughout Los Angeles County and in refusing to prosecute many types of crimes and prohibiting enhancements for very serious, dangerous, violent crimes, he has communicated to criminals that it is now open season on the public. Every day Gascon remains in office decreases public safety throughout Los Angeles County.

Ruth Kawamoto



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Vox Populi <voice\_of\_www@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:43 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] For public comment

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We, the law abiding working class residents of Manhattan Beach, urge you to vote NO CONFIDENCE against district attorney George Gascon, the grand enabler of gang members, child molesters, domestic batteries and every manner of psychopath, who thrives on weakening the foundations and pillars of our criminal justice system by giving the aforementioned sociopaths a slap on the wrist. The grieving mothers, fathers, siblings, husbands and wives of slain innocent people urge you to vote against this evil man, whose reckless and irresponsible pro-criminal policies are resulting in an escalation of violence against law abiding working Californians everywhere.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lora Vrastil <llvrastil@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:29 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] GET RID OF GASCON!!!!!!!

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Lora Vrastil  
3525 Maple  
Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** bruce morgan <morganbruce@att.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:28 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment

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I am urging the city to vote "No Confidence" in George Gascon's policies.

Respectfully,  
Bruce Morgan

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Andrew Chuang <achuang@ymail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:25 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] vote no confidence on DA George Gascon policies

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hello

as a concerned citizen, i am asking you consider a vote of NO CONFIDENCE on the policies of DA George Gascon

thank you

andy chuang  
manhattan beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Paula Stern <pnrets@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:16 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Please vote NO CONFIDENCE

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Melissa Utterback <missybodell@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:15 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Council Members,

I strongly urge you as a voice for the voiceless to vote “NO CONFIDENCE” in George Gascon as District Attorney.

He is taking California down a dark and hopeless road.

The citizens of California are fed up with these radical changes, as you can see by the valiant efforts of the citizens to recall the dictator, Gavin Newsom.

Please be bold and stand for what is true, good, and right by voting “no confidence” in George Gascon.

Respectfully,

Melissa Utterback

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Robert Sowder <robninsry4@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:14 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote no confidence in George Gascon!!!

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**From:** Emily Ruddo <emilyruddo@me.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:14 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote No Confidence on George Gascon's policies please

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Please vote “no confidence” on George Gascon’s policies please

Regards,  
Emily

Emily Ruddo  
Designer  
310-994-2665  
[www.emilyruddo.com](http://www.emilyruddo.com)



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bonni Mantovani <bonnim@ymail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:13 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence vote for Gascon

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Please vote no confidence at the meeting tonight

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**From:** Paula Stern <pnrets@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:13 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Please vot NO CONFIDENCE - Insanity must end

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bonni Mantovani <bonnim@ymail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:12 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
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Please vote no confidence at the meeting tonight

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**From:** caryn burgh <cdburgh12@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:10 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] For Public Comment

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Please give a vote of no confidence in George Gascon. Crime does pay now that he is in office. There have been more criminal attacks on citizens due to his policies. Please protect your citizens as you were elected to do.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** J.C. C <sendcwc@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:09 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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PLEASE VOTE NO CONFIDENCE IN GEORGE GASCON.

CHRIS CLAIR

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Fred Fasen <fredfasen@me.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:08 PM  
**To:** cityclerk@hermosabeach.gov; City Clerk; cityclerk@torranceca.gov; skeller@rbusd.org; stowe.tim@tUSD.org; rbpta@rbusd.org; torranceptas@gmail.com; bchd.deir@gmail.com  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] zoning

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Fred Fasen <fredfasen@me.com>  
**Date:** May 4, 2021 at 2:28:40 PM PDT  
**To:** cityclerk@redondo.org  
**Subject:** Re:zoning

Dear Mayors, Councils, Superintendents, and PTA Presidents:

I urge the Cities of Torrance, Redondo, Hermosa and Manhattan Beach, along with the School Districts and PTAs to file comments in the BCHD DEIR process to protect our students and residents from the negative impacts of the proposed development. I oppose the damages from the 103-foot tall, nearly 800,000 sqft BCHD commercial development of \$12,000+ per month assisted living on our publicly paid-for and owned land. The 5-year or longer construction phase will have heavy truck traffic, debris loads, street vibration and 85dB intermittent noise near both West High and Towers on the BCHD truck path. Beryl Heights, Parras and RUHS will face traffic backups from construction vehicles on Del Amo, Prospect and Beryl. Beryl Heights Elementary will suffer both noise and toxic emissions from backups due to BCHD heavy truck traffic.

Please protect our students, elderly and residents from the significant, negative impacts of BCHDs proposed project. My comments are attached. Thank you.

Fred Fasen  
Redondo beach  
Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Casey <law.casey@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:07 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] vote Gascon OUT!

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Gascon is a terrible person doing a terrible job. Vote Gascon out! People like this have no business being in charge of district attorney's offices whose jobs it is to PROSECUTE and LOCK UP criminals, not advocate for them!

Casey Cox

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** PeterW <pwinderman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:06 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Please vote no confidence for George Gascon and keep us safe.  
Thank you



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Julie Yanow <jbyanow@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:05 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO CONFIDENCE VOTE

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Dear City Council Member:

I am writing to urge you to cast a vote of "NO CONFIDENCE" against George Gascon, who is ruining our cities with his policies. Please stand up for the rights and safety of your fellow citizens and constituents! Thank you, Julie Yanow

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** dgoodys@earthlink.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:02 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Geroge Gascon

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Dear Councilmembers:

I urge you to give George Gascon a vote of "No Confidence." Please don't let him destroy our city!

Tina Goodman

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Uncle Fedor <dearunclefedor@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:02 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please vote no confidence on Gascon

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Hello,

I am asking the City to please vote no confidence on Gascon. His policies do not help reduce rising crime rates and are hurtful to crime victims.

Thank you

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Devon Cormier <devonwocormier@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:26 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] PUBLIC COMMENT - No Confidence Vote in LA DA George Gascon

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I am writing in SUPPORT of a “No Confidence” vote in George Gascon.

Don't be fooled when you hear “He was elected to do what he's doing – this is democracy.”

The true measure of democracy is the ability to hold our elected officials accountable - they work for us, We The People.

Gascon did NOT tell voters the truth about his planned directives when asking for their votes. Look at his website [georgegascon.org](http://georgegascon.org), he does NOT say he would:

- Eliminate most sentencing enhancements, special circumstances and life-without-parole eligible sentences.
- Disallow all transfers of 16 and 17 year-olds to adult court – where they must remain in juvenile court, even for cases of murder, rape, attempted murder and child molestation.
- Prohibit the filing of misdemeanor crimes such as criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace and resisting arrest.
- Bar Deputy District Attorneys from attending parole hearings.
- Create a resentencing unit to resentence convicted criminals who have currently served 15 years – this includes violent offenders. This will amount to 20-30,000 potential criminals being released into our communities.
- Slash Gang and Narcotics units in half. This will lead to more violence on our streets and more victims in our communities.

Council Members, these are not reforms. These are dangerous directives and blanket policies that are failing Los Angeles. Your vote of “No Confidence” sends a message to George Gascon that YOU stand with victims, survivors, and families and that you stand for public safety.

I do not live in Manhattan Beach, but I do live in Los Angeles County. We are all Agelenos, we are all interconnected and a part of the same larger community. There are no physical borders between cities and what happens throughout Los Angeles affects each of us.

Please help us hold George Gascon accountable, vote yes on this “No Confidence” resolution. Thank you.

Devon Cormier

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** peterwhartshorn@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:14 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Extending outdoor restaurant dining.

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council Members,

I am writing to ask you not to extend the outdoor dining of downtown restaurants past the 90 days once the county and city approve indoor dining. We have all been supporting our downtown restaurants during Covid and will continue to do so but there are too many downsides to a longer term extension.

As we recover from Covid and more people come to our downtown, there is going to be too much congestion. The amount of seating, both indoors and outdoors, being utilized by restaurants while reducing parking, and increasing traffic friction will be an issue. It is a safety issue as well, too many cars and people in an area not designed to keep everyone safe. Our downtown area was not designed for this much activity and why should it be. We are turning our downtown into a tourist destination, a revenue source, and not an area that can properly serve our residents.

Prior and during Covid, the City has approved additional restaurant/bar space and hours along our street, the effects of which we have not seen due to Covid. Even with limited visitors during the pandemic, we have seen the extra debris and the inability of the restaurants to keep their activities contained within their spaces.

There was an agreement with the restaurants to allow them outdoor dining, but this should not continue longer term.

Thank you

Peter Hartshorn  
1300 Manhattan Ave

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Joseph Trevizu <josepht3289@student.nlmusd.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:35 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment

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A message to Madam. mayor  
From Joseph Youth and constitutional rights advocate  
Good evening Council,

I'm writing today because DA George Gascon has created an unsafe environment for all residents of LA county. His illegal and unethical policies and directives must be stopped. In the case of a police officer who was murdered in the line of duty, George Gascon declined the penalty of death or I should say in the case of a police officer and deputy sheriff the Deputy's name is Sergeant Steve Owen the officer's name is Officer Keith Boyer one worked for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's department and one worked for the Whittier Police Department In fact Sergeant Steve Owens daughter heard the bullets that killed her father. In the case of an 8-year-old boy who was brutally murdered by his mother and her boyfriend who literally stored him in a cabinet to the point where his sister and brother had to sneak him food, George Gascon allowed the mother to apply for resentencing so that she can receive a term shorter than life without the possibility of parole. In the case of a young 26-year-old police officer who tried to stop vandals from tagging up his community and was successful but when they returned they opened fire killing him George Gascon refused to file enhancements until an injunction was granted against him, his sister now lives in complete pain and utter shock. I asked that you vote no confidence in the name of Officer Juan Jose Diaz. Under George Gascon's special directives enhancements aren't charged in many cases or any case unless he deems necessary which is never In his first two weeks he refused to charge hate crime enhancements until he was pressed to do so. These facts alone show you that his violent rhetoric, violation of his oath, and violation of the California Constitution Marcy's law 2008 victims rights and overall disregard for victims, their families, and their rights is dangerous and must be stopped. Let this not be a message that the DA's office is incapable of completing the official task in their governmental capacity however let this be a message that Mr. Gascon is not capable of properly and unbiased leading one of the nation's largest Prosecuting agencies. The facts are that over the course of his campaign many public defenders donated to him. Which is fine I've been to the point where he hires the one who donates to him or 1.5 million dollars. This same prosecutor, the Expressed believes that prison is obsolete. Let this be a signal let this be a sign tonight I recommend that you vote no confidence I yield back.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** KATHY GIORDANO <gkathy2@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:38 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment

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Dear “Nonpartisan Elected city council members, I’m sure we all remember, the horrific crime against a child named Gabriel Fernandez.

If Gabriel had survived from the gruesome abuse attacks, you could only stop and think what would he say about George Gascon and his leniency towards convicted criminals of violent hate crimes, crimes against children and the disrespect he has repeatedly displayed toward victims and their family members.

And now I am writing to you because Gabriel can’t

Within minutes of being sworn in, Mr. Gascon made drastic changes that he did not disclose when campaigning that are letting violent and dangerous criminals back out onto our streets. This is unacceptable.

There isn’t a city within LA county that haven’t seen a raise in crime rates.

No one is against reform, growth and change.

Gascon claims that is what he is doing, but it isn’t?

As early as last week, Gascon said, “enhancements...do not work, even for hate crimes.”

Hate crimes not only affect the victim, but also families, communities, and even the entire country.

The DA is supposed to fight for everyone

He is undermining the hard work of our men and women in law enforcement, which puts EVERY citizen at risk.

Yes he was elected, but just think back of what was going on in our communities and what was and wasn’t being reported by media at time.

He isn’t open to dialogue, he isn’t open to opinion, he isn’t open to moderation. It doesn’t matter to him what the people in the communities he was elected to protect ,want.

It doesn’t matter to him what little Gabriel would have wanted.

Gascon has unlawfully gone against California voters who voted for the death penalty and zero bail. He refuses to charge any juvenile as an adult, no matter how heinous crime. He has also dismantled the Hardcore Gang unit, and refuses to add every special enhancement charges.

A vote of “No Confidence” from the city of Manhattan Beach would send a message loud and clear to the people — of Manhattan Beach and LA county that safety and victim rights do matter.

A vote of no confidence is nonpartisan way of speaking up that any person, company, union, or City Council can do to let someone know, you need to listen and we need to talk, because you’re not doing your job.

Please, now it’s time for you to stand up for us, and say “YES” to the vote of “Nonpartisan No confidence in George Gascon”

To quote the mayor of Beverly Hills, "SAFETY AND SECURITY IS JOB ONE,"

With gratitude and respect,  
Kathy Giordano

Sent from my iPhone



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Paul M. Mullin <paulmullin@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:39 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Cc:** Paul Mullin; Richard Montgomery; Steve Napolitano; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Joe Franklin  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MB City Council 21-0142: Concerns with Proposed After-hours Construction at Target Store, 1200 Sepulveda (10 PM - 7:30 AM, for Four Months)  
**Attachments:** 21-0142 Magnolia Ave Concerns - Mullin.pdf; Untitled attachment 00075.htm; Containers on Target East Side - Oct 2019.jpeg; Untitled attachment 00078.htm

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Mayor Suzanne Hadley  
Mayor Pro-Tem Hildy Stern  
Councilmember Steve Napolitano  
Councilmember Richard Montgomery  
Councilmember Joe Franklin  
City Clerk Liz Tamura

RE: MB City Council 21-0142: My concerns with the proposed after-hours construction at the Target Store at 1200 Sepulveda

My name is Paul Mullin. My wife and I have lived at 1405 Magnolia Avenue in Manhattan Beach since September of 1989. We live directly behind the Northeast corner of the Target Store at 1200 Sepulveda Blvd in Manhattan Beach. We have lived through four (4) major remodels at the Target store, and have become well acquainted with the way Target and their contractors execute on their plans, operating under the “do first, ask later — only if we are questioned” philosophy, or so we have been lead to believe based on their repeated disregard for their residential neighbors on the East side of 1200 Sepulveda Blvd.

I write to you today to respectfully request that you please deny the application of Target and its contractor, BAC Consulting, for special consideration to conduct construction activity inside and outside the Target store "after hours" — from 10 PM - 7:30 AM, in the period from May 24th through September 13, 2021 (approximately 4 months).

Reviewing the documents linked on the May 18 City Council Agenda for item 15, 21-0142, looking at the *Target Staging Site Plan Sketch*, I was impressed with the efforts of Code Enforcement officer Gilbert Quijada to push the project container farm “boneyard” to a location in the Target lot away from the residential properties along Magnolia Ave, something we had asked for several times in years past on previous projects at Target. One positive note in this proposal. Reviewing the “1200 Sepulveda Blvd Case History” I was dismayed to see a rather abridged version of what has really transpired between Target and its neighbors over the past several years and previous construction projects. MB Building Official Ryan Heise did clarify for me when he called that each line is a summary of incidents for each “case” — so one line shown on the report was rolling up several calls, emails, or reports on a topic during a particular time period. This is not readily apparent when I read that chart. Finally, I was dumbfounded when I discovered that Target and its contractor were asking for permission to operate well beyond business hours on this site — from 10 PM until 7:30 AM for a period of four months — in the summer months, when many of us in the beach cities enjoy sleeping with our windows open — this will be practically impossible with the humming, pounding, and beeping of workers, power tools, forklifts, and building materials being thrown about carelessly ( I have experienced ALL of these

things in the past with previous Target building projects). This would be raising Target's blatant disregard for their neighbors to new heights — unbelievable at best.

My concerns with this proposed construction project are numerous and based on my past experiences with Target and its contractors on past remodel projects at this site. I have summarized these concerns in the attached PDF chart, for your consideration, along with one photo of shipping containers parked in the fire lane on the East side of the Target store in October 2019 — before MB Code Enforcement told Target to remove these non-permitted containers, which they eventually did.

My primary concern is that of **construction noise** coming from the container “boneyard” outside the store, from the workers and materials moving items from there into the store, the work being done in the store (and how it will permeate through the walls), and the sounds of materials being hauled out of the store and tossed into dumpsters in the boneyard area.

Thirteen (13) homes abut the Target store on its East side, all but two of which sit at a height at or above the roofline of the Target building. The thirteen (13) homes on the East side of Magnolia Ave, across from those bordering Target, sit up higher still (due to topology), so they too have a “line of sight” to the boneyard. If we can see the boneyard, we can hear anything going on in that area — whatever time of day it happens to be. Another oddity on the Target lot is the south-facing wall of MB Toyota which runs the length of the North end of Target — the space between these two large concrete surfaces acts like a large canyon — funneling in noise from the front parking lot at Target and Sepulveda Blvd, and delivering it right to our back doors (my back door specifically, at 1405 Magnolia). So I too will not be spared from the sound of construction activity on the Target lot!

I respectfully request that you act on behalf of the residents and property owners along Magnolia Ave whose lives will be upended for an unreasonable amount of time, by denying the request for Target's contractor to work on site after hours. To quote President George H. W. Bush: “Just Say No”.

Thank you for your consideration,

Paul Mullin  
1405 Magnolia Avenue  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266-5218  
c: 310-613-1868  
e: [paulmullin@mac.com](mailto:paulmullin@mac.com)

Attachments:

1. PDF: 21-0142 Magnolia Ave Concerns - Mullin
2. JPEG: Containers on Target's East side alley - October 2019



Left: View looking East towards Magnolia Ave from Target lot location for Containers as shown in “site plan sketch” below

Mullin Home  
1405 Magnolia Ave

Sound propagation by echoing off hard walls on North end of Target and the South side of MB Toyota.

Submitted by:  
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5/18/2021  
MB CC 21-0142



Magnolia Ave Topology:

- 13 Homes on the West side of Magnolia Ave share a property line with Target.
- 13 homes on the East side of Magnolia (across the street) all sit higher up than the homes on the West side, giving them a view of Target.
- All homes South of 1405 Magnolia Ave are even with or higher than the Target building’s roof line, giving them a line-of-sight (and hearing) to the proposed container “boneyard” area in the lot as shown in the *Target Staging Site Plan Sketch*.
- If we can see it – we will hear it: ANYTHING going on down there on the lot.
- The North end of the Target store is bounded by a tall wall from MB Toyota, creating a perfect echo “canyon” effect – sound carries from the Target lot and Sepulveda Blvd into our neighborhood all too easily. So even though I do not have line of sight at 1405 Magnolia, I will certainly hear any activity going on in the Target parking lot area.

Noise Sources of Concern:

- Construction crews accessing metal containers, opening & closing them, working inside them, carrying supplies out of them, throwing discarded metal racks and displays back into them.
- Forklifts backing up, hand trucks rolling across hard pavement, ferrying supplies and construction materials, discards from the interior construction area.
- Construction personnel parking, ingress, egress to/from the store interior.
- Opening access doors on the East side of Target – noise coming out from inside.
- Impact hammers, saws, other power tools being used on the inside or outside.
- Discards being tossed into construction dumpsters in the boneyard area.
- Music from radios in the boneyard area or the interior job site.

Other Concerns:

- Project scheduled in the summer months when we sleep with our windows open.
- Will the construction be limited to Monday – Friday only? No later than 10 PM?
- Target placing “temporary” containers full of seasonal merch on North & East sides of the property, directly behind our homes, as they did in 2019.





## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** LISA DARE <spiffy@flash.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:07 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please replace my George Gascon letter with this corrected version

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Hello,

I saw some errors in the letter which I sent you. Can you copy and paste this text, or should I send you the corrected letter without this header?

Lisa Dare. sorry I'm 67.  
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Hello,

George Gascon's policies empower criminals and increase crime.

Consider what is happening in San Francisco under his administration. Property crime greatly increased. Shoplifting became so recurrent that Walgreens closed 17 stores. Safeway put the blame on Gascon's Proposition 47. [https://www.thesfnews.com/shopping-has-forced-walgreens-to-close-17-stores/77228?fbclid=IwAR1dUxJtGCE\\_HCTQ3WnjIEdwpPymKS1a8A92HbMIS8i\\_7NlLbcyHlyD9So](https://www.thesfnews.com/shopping-has-forced-walgreens-to-close-17-stores/77228?fbclid=IwAR1dUxJtGCE_HCTQ3WnjIEdwpPymKS1a8A92HbMIS8i_7NlLbcyHlyD9So)

And despite a high rate of property theft, because of Gascon's and current DA's Chesa Boudin's leniency, San Francisco also has a low arrest rate.

Former SF Prosecutor Nancy Tung writes, "SF has lost the deterrent effect of prosecution...SF is now widely regarded as the place where you can commit a crime and get away with it." <https://www.laadda.com/dont-let-the-door-hit-you-on-the-way-out/>

Don't let this happen in LA county and Manhattan Beach!

Gascon's policies in LA county make no sense. Why eliminate gun enhancements (increased jail penalties) and gang enhancements when homicides and gang crime are up? <https://www.dailynews.com/2021/02/17/300-homicides-council-presses-lapd-on-dramatic-rise-in-violent-crime/>

Violent crime is occurring in formerly safe places. <https://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2021/03/08/beverly-hills-shooting-victim-speaks-out/> The gang that committed the Beverly Hills robbery in were also responsible for a shooting in Sherman Oaks, a well to do community. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/recallgeorgegascon/permalink/946271509526219> No wonder that Beverly Hills and SEVEN other cities have voted No Confidence in George Gascon. <https://www.lamag.com/citythinkblog/no-confidence-vote-george-gascon/>. [https://twitter.com/jonathanhatami/status/1392872813334306817?ref\\_src=twsrc%5Etfw](https://twitter.com/jonathanhatami/status/1392872813334306817?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw). SIX additional cities this week will be discussing their own No Confidence votes.

I understand the urgent need for racial justice, but decarceration is the not the solution to these problems. In fact, some of the racist attacks on Asian Americans have been done by convicts who were set free.

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/san-francisco-double-stabbing-suspect-014148487.html> The perpetrator had with a long history of arrests, and he stabbed an elderly woman with a knife as long as her arm. He escaped after leaving the knife in her arm (see hospital x-ray in story>)<https://abc7news.com/san-francisco-asian-women-stabbing-patrick-thompson-surveillance-video-sf-market-street/10590220/>

This Oakland man was killed by a repeat offender who was let go with an ankle monitor. <https://abc7news.com/oakland-asian-attack-teaunte-bailey-pak-ho-chesa-boudin/10412069/>

Leniency facilitates racist violence. Please understand that not all racist violence is caused by white supremacy, or is committed by whites.

I have been a lifelong Democrat, and I think that the nationwide decarceration movement is the worst project the party has ever supported. It is unrealistically idealistic, and is uninformed by the professional experiences of the vast majority of prosecutors and good cops. It recasts criminals as innocent victims, and throws average citizens under the bus to be run over.

Please don't give a pass to George Gascon. People in other cities across the nation have started to question the effects of similar Democratic "reform" prosecutors; homicide rates have been skyrocketing.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/05/11/nyregion/mayor-race-nyc-crime-police.html>

<https://controller.phila.gov/philadelphia-audits/mapping-gun-violence/#/2021>

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/philadelphia-gun-violence-homicides-shootings-pandemic-2020-20210101.html>

[Seattle had 'highest number of murders in 26 years' in 2020](#)

Please vote NO CONFIDENCE in George Gascon.

Sincerely,

Lisa Dare



### Seattle had 'highest number of murders in 26 years' in 2020

As part of a briefing Monday, interim Seattle Police Chief Adrian Diaz addressed the year-end crime data for 2020...

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** John DeFrance <johndefrance@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 2:17 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 21-0142 Consideration of Allowing Indoor Construction and Outdoor Construction Staging at 1200 North Sepulveda Boulevard After Hours (May 24, 2021 - September 17, 2021 from 10:00 p.m. - 7:30 a.m.) (Community Development Director Tai).

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I live on Magnolia Avenue and oppose approval of Target's after hours construction/staging due to Target's repeated indifference toward its residential neighbors when it comes to noise complaints. Target's approach is to pay citation fines (that are probably insignificant to a corporation of Target's size) rather than meaningfully address the problems they create. In addition to the items listed in the Case History and other unreported matters, Target's Store Night Manager refuses to require a night employee with an unreasonably loud car exhaust to park away from the residences despite the neighborhood's reasonable requests (the Night Manager said "I can't tell him where to park" which is absurd).

This is a discretionary request and it's hard to understand why Target needs 4 months to renovate a small portion of their store. Did the City require any findings on alternatives to permitting carte blanche after hours activity? Mere inconvenience to Target or loss of some sales is not a valid reason that outweighs the negative impact to the neighboring community considering Target's history. What safeguards to protect the peace is the City mandating?

John DeFrance, Esq.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** George Gabriel  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 10:14 AM  
**To:** Martha Alvarez  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] RE: DA Gascón Resolution  
**Attachments:** George Gascoń's Directives Enhance Safety.pdf

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Maxwell Szabo  
**Date:** April 27, 2021 at 7:37:36 PM CDT  
**To:** George Gabriel  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: DA Gascón Resolution

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Greetings,

As these votes of no confidence have turned increasingly political, I'm reaching out on behalf of DA Gascón to provide some information on his behalf as opposed to using public resources and having a county employee attend to respond. I'm a former Assistant District Attorney under Mr. Gascón and a longtime aide that served on his transition.

Please see the attached response from LA Voice, Community Coalition, and SEIU 2015. We would appreciate it if this information was circulated to the Council and/or read into the record on Mr. Gascón's behalf when the resolution is considered.

If there are any follow up questions please don't hesitate to contact me. My cell number is below.

Regards,  
Max Szabo

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# RESEARCH AND DATA

# Show George Gascón's Policies Enhance Safety

Recently, political opponents of Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón have interfered with his implementation of policies that data and research indicate enhance safety. In fact, research shows that the policies Gascón's critics advocate for—which increase punishment and incarceration—do so at the expense of public safety. Studies show the dated carceral policies of the 1980s and 1990s may increase rates of reoffense, also known as recidivism, and create more victims of crime. In fact, under the prior tough-on-crime District Attorney, LA sent more people to state prison per capita than 56 of California's 58 counties, and yet violent crime increased 25 percent. This highlights the failure of the traditional tough on crime approach to enhance safety in Los Angeles County.

In opposing reform, District Attorney Gascón's political opponents have turned to scare tactics and blatant falsehoods, as the most serious offenders continue to face significant sentences. Murderers continue to face life in prison, and no directive implemented by DA Gascón has implications for sex offenses. Research also indicates that victims of violent crime in Los Angeles County overwhelmingly support criminal justice reforms that emphasize rehabilitation and crime prevention, rather than more incarceration.

DA Gascón's critics have also made the audacious claim that his prosecution policies have increased crime. DA Gascón took office on December 7th, 2020, at the end of a year that saw violent crime and homicides surge across much of the United States. What's more, the policy changes he made related to violent crimes have not resulted in violent offenders being released from custody. See page two of this document for an overview of the major changes made by DA Gascón and the corresponding citations to the research highlighting that these policies enhance safety.



# RESEARCH AND DATA

# Show George Gascón's Policies Enhance Safety

## SENTENCE ENHANCEMENTS

### Why is DA Gascón Not Using Sentencing Enhancements & Three Strikes?

Most felony offenses have a sentencing triad. For example, an individual convicted of robbery can be sentenced to 4, 5 or 6 years in state prison. Enhancements are extra time added on to these base sentences. Enhancements have never been shown to enhance safety, but excessive sentences have been shown to increase rates of reoffense and therefore lead to more victims of crime.

## LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE

### Why is DA Gascón Not Seeking Life Without Parole (LWOP)?

Individuals sentenced to life in prison, but not LWOP, for crimes like murder are seldom released by the parole board. The Governor releases even fewer. The parole board is exceptionally adept at gauging risk, with individuals sentenced to life committing new felonies 0.5% of the time. LWOP precludes future generations from deciding what's in the people's interest generations from now. LWOP also ignores the fact that people change and commits us to spending resources—especially in difficult times like now—on the high cost of incarcerating those in their 60s, 70s, or older, who have long since aged out of crime and can safely return to our community.

## JUVENILE JUSTICE

### Why is DA Gascón No Longer Prosecuting Kids as Adults?

Locking up children in juvenile halls, boot camps and prisons, has never been shown to increase public safety, but is correlated with higher rates of recidivism and trauma. Fear destroys our capacity to learn, and we know that isolation activates the harmful stress hormone cortisol in our bodies leading to lasting damage. Teenagers make risky decisions without consideration for the consequences, a reality that research suggests results from the fact that human brains don't fully develop until one's mid-20s.

## MISDEMEANORS

### Why is DA Gascón Diverting Rather than Prosecuting Many First-Time, Low-Level Misdemeanors?

Research shows prosecuting first time non-violent misdemeanors significantly increases the risk of rearrest. Recent studies show people who were arrested but not prosecuted for low-level, nonviolent misdemeanors such as shoplifting, drug possession, motor vehicle offenses, and similar actions, were "58 percent less likely to commit another crime in the following two years, than those who were prosecuted for that same minor crime." Non-prosecution also reduced the rate at which nonviolent misdemeanor defendants were charged with subsequent violent offenses within two years by 64 percent, relative to comparable prosecuted defendants. Additionally, misdemeanors make up 80% of cases in our legal system, diverting massive resources from the prosecution of violent crime.

## CASH BAIL

### Why is DA Gascón Seeking to End the Use of Cash Bail?

Cash bail is as unsafe as it is unjust. Dangerous individuals with resources who commit serious offenses can buy their freedom while those who pose no threat to our community that commit low-level offenses languish behind bars. It is exceptionally rare that individuals willfully flee prosecution or commit violent felony offenses while released pretrial and the overwhelming majority of people return to court, even when they have no financial interest at stake.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Robert Hansen <rhansen86@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:30 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of no Confidence George Gascon

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I respectfully request that you take up the. ote of No Confidence against DA George Gascon. While I voted for him initially, his TRUTH was really a lie, and he proved it on his first day in office.

While Reform of the justice system is important, dismantling it by a dictator is not appropriate of Legal. We did not, you did not elect him to destroy our system of justice.

You can stop him, you can send a message.

Thank you

Robert Hansen

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mike Michalski <mike@realestateedge.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:37 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon

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Dear Mayor and Council:

As a 30-year resident, I have never seen Manhattan Beach under the sort of criminal assault that we find ourselves facing today.

A large reason for this is the anti-law enforcement climate that took effect last summer and culminated with the election of radical George Gascon as Los Angeles County District Attorney.

I fully **support** a resolution of no confidence in George Gascon, whose unilateral policies are a direct threat to the security and safety of Manhattan Beach's residents.

If you haven't already done so, please carefully review and consider the positions outlined by Deputy District Attorney, Jon Hatami, in his public comments to Council which I believe you already have. His comments should be included as part of the public record and should be required reading for the local woke criminal apologists and Generation Blue crowd so they can become educated as to what's really at stake.

Thank you,

***Mike Michalski***

Mike Michalski & Sachi Fujita



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tom <abxf@socal.rr.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 5:14 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of no confidence George Gascon

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George Gascon is usurping legislator authority, rewriting the CA constitution and subverting the will of the people. His utter disregard for the law, demands a vote of no confidence and ultimately a [recall](#).

SD [20-14](#)

“Resentencing.” 15 years maximum penalty regardless of the crime. **One of the most dangerous and irresponsible of Gascón’s directives.**

Repealed [Marsy’s Law](#)

Under the DA’s policy, "**prosecutors must now support parole** for those rated as a low or moderate risk of re-offending". For those considered high-risk, prosecutors must be neutral. In no case may they oppose parole. He argues “parole boards have all the information they need to decide on their own whether to release someone, including police, psychological and prison behavior reports. **“We really need to stay out of the process,”**

**“This Office’s default policy is that we will not attend parole hearings”**

SD [20-08](#)

Repealed [Three Strikes Law](#), Death Penalty (has been consistently upheld by the voters), LWOP, prosecutors prevented from filing, enhancements (gang,firearm etc), special circumstances, or special allegations.

SD [20-07](#)

13 crimes allowed in LA county

This DA represents [defendants](#)

Regards

Tom

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jon Hatami <jonhatami@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:57 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FOR PUBLIC COMMENT - Regarding the No Confidence Vote in LADA George Gascon's Policies  
**Attachments:** Manhattan Beach City Council Statement.docx

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To: Mayor and Manhattan Beach City Council members:

Attached is my email statement regarding your upcoming no-confidence vote in Los Angeles County DA George Gascon's policies and directives.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Hatami  
Valencia, CA  
661-312-3781 (personal cell)

Deputy District Attorney  
Los Angeles County DA's Office  
Complex Child Abuse Unit

Good evening Mayor and Manhattan Beach City councilmembers. Thank you for allowing me an opportunity to address Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon's policies and directives and how they ultimately affect the safety of the children, families, and community members in Manhattan Beach.

I do not live in Manhattan Beach. However, as a child abuse prosecutor, I handle cases involving abused and neglected children throughout Los Angeles County. The safety of children and families anywhere and everywhere is important to me. We are all interconnected. We are all a part of one community. We are all Angelenos. And, public safety is important to all of us. We all want to live in a community that is safe for children and families.

I would like to make it clear that I am talking to you as a father of two children, a husband of a LASD domestic violence detective, and a child abuse prosecutor. I am also talking to you as someone who is raising my children in Los Angeles. And it should be obvious to you by now that I do not represent the official positions of my office.

The policies and directives implemented by Gascon adversely affect the public safety in Manhattan Beach. These policies do not help or support the residents of Manhattan Beach. Basically, these policies provide comfort and support to criminals and wrongdoers.

As early as last week, Gascon said, "enhancements...do not work, even for hate crimes." This clearly shows that Gascon has even abandoned our most vulnerable victims and survivors. Most hate crime victims do not even come forward for fear that they will be victimized further, and their case will not be taken seriously or handled with care and compassion. Hate crimes not only affect the victim, but also families, communities, and even the entire country. Gascon's confusing and ever-changing policies regarding hate crimes allegations have likely caused many more victims to not come forward. More innocent people will likely get hurt and abused. They will also feel like the system has abandoned them. A DA should follow the law and seek justice, as long as she/he has the evidence, no matter how difficult the charge will be to prove. The DA of Los Angeles is supposed to fight for everyone.

Gascon implemented \$0 bail for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are repeat offenders. This policy is a direct violation of the will of the people. Millions of Angelenos voted against \$0 bail in the fall of 2020. The DA has even disallowed the "out-on-bail" enhancement. That means a person can commit domestic violence, child abuse, theft crimes, vandalism, battery, second and third-time DUI, and all sorts of other crimes, get arrested, and then get released within 48 hours on \$0 bail. That person can then re-offend and we are not permitted to file the "out-on-bail" enhancement. There is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop a criminal from continuously re-offending.

The DA has also disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public, and resisting arrest. This means that individuals can harass patrons and community members in the mall, the supermarket, at a restaurant, a daycare center, a school, or just about anywhere, resist arrest and attack the police when deputies and officers are called, and the wrongdoer will be released within 48 hours with no charge. These policies will lead to diminished quality of life in Manhattan Beach and the lack

of punishment or deterrence will eventually lead to those individuals committing more serious crimes. These policies will also destroy the morale of the deputies and officers who honorably patrol our neighborhoods.

Many of these misdemeanor directives also adversely affect the prosecution of sex trafficking cases. It emboldens pimps and sex traffickers to abuse young people and the most vulnerable in our communities.

Gascon has also permanently disallowed the filing of special circumstances in any case - forever. If a person in Manhattan Beach rapes and murders a child, tortures a vulnerable victim to death, commits a hate crime murder, kills a police officer, or is a serial killer, that person could be paroled at some point. Gascon never once mentioned during his campaign for LADA that he would completely remove special circumstances. This policy is against the will of the voters, violates the law, and completely ignores justice and public safety. It is also a slap in the face to all surviving family members.

Gascon has also permanently disallowed the transfer of juveniles to adult court in any case - forever. This means, if a 17 ½-year-old murders two children in a gang-related shooting, that double murderer will be released when he is 25-years-old or earlier. Gascon has also supported legislation to remove the murder charge as a strike even if the double murderer gets released and murders again. There is absolutely no consideration for public safety, victim's rights, personal accountability or punishment.

Releasing violent criminals from prison early into our communities will not result in less crime. That is not what victims and survivors want. Not alleging a gun or gang allegation or a torture or special circumstance will not result in safer communities or less recidivism. Not punishing violent criminals appropriately will not result in less crime or public safety. Not following the law and enacting blanket policies is not fair or just. The most recent statistics are clear from LASD and LAPD, crime, especially shootings, assaults, and murders, have dramatically increased over the last six months. The so-called "data and science" of Gascon is not true or accurate.

This is not a Republican or a Democratic issue. This is a human rights issue. This is a community issue. This is a public safety issue. Murder, rape, child torture, and gang killings are not Republican crimes or Democratic crimes, they are just crimes against all of us. Child abuse does not happen in blue states, or red states. It happens in every state. Just because someone was voted in by the people does not mean he or she is above the law. No one is above the law, not even the DA. Most voters did not expect the LA DA would be siding with violent criminals. Most voters did not think the LA DA would call a 17-1/2-year-old that brutally murdered two young mothers a "victim." Most voters did not think the LA DA would be siding with a carjacker and fighting in court to dismiss provable firearms allegations. That is not public safety.

Leadership does not come from power or your title. It does not come from winning an election. Inconsistencies, the complete failure to follow the law, personal politics, and implementing blanket policies from a person who has never tried one case as a prosecutor shows a complete crisis in leadership regarding Gascon's directives. His policies completely ignore the rights of



victims and their families, while focusing exclusively on the criminal and wrongdoer. His policies also disregard the law, public safety, and the will of the voters; and could lead to dangerous results.

I think the residents of Manhattan Beach need to take a stand and be one voice in support of the victims, surviving families, children, and all the vulnerable members of our communities.

Thank you.

Jonathan Hatami

Valencia, CA

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** EDIL M VAZQUEZ <emv2020@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 9:29 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote No Confidence

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Please stop Gascon's illegal directives and support your constituents & CA LAW.  
Respectfully,

E. Vazquez

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Laurel Pabian <laurelpabian2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 13, 2021 3:29 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council Hearing - Gascon Recall Petition Approval

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**Gascon should be recalled in order to ensure the safety of our community. Manhattan Beach has experienced a surge of theft and break-ins in 2021 that are a direct result of Gascon's pro-defendant/anti-victim agenda of misdemeanor crime dismissal, pretrial release, and under-18 gang member crime absolution. He needs to be stopped before his more serious policy of resentencing violent criminals after serving 15 years results in rapists and murderers roaming the streets.**

Laurel Pabian  
[laurelpabian2@gmail.com](mailto:laurelpabian2@gmail.com)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Rory O'Brien <rory0730@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 13, 2021 10:18 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon no confidence

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The man is not qualified. We support a resolution of Non-Confidence against Gascon!  
Rory & Marie OBrien

Rory sent from iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Andreas Koch <maxflaxak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 13, 2021 9:10 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I support a resolution of Non-Confidence against D.A. Gascon

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I support a resolution of Non-Confidence against D.A. Gascon  
thanks.  
Andreas K.  
M.B. resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Marcia Gehrt <marciagehrt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 11, 2021 9:51 AM  
**To:** cityclerk@hermosabeach.gov; City Clerk; cityclerk@torranceca.gov; skeller@rbusd.org; rbpta@rbusd.org; torranceptas@gmail.com; stowe.tim@tusd.org  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comments Requesting Action on BCHD Deir Comments

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Dear Mayors, Councils, Superintendents, and PTA Presidents:

I urge the Cities of Torrance, Redondo, Hermosa and Manhattan Beach, along with the School Districts and PTAs to file comments in the BCHD DEIR process to protect our students and residents from the negative impacts of the proposed development. I oppose the damages from the 103-foot tall, nearly 800,000 sqft BCHD commercial development of \$12,000+ per month assisted living on our publicly paid-for and owned land. The 5-year or longer construction phase will have heavy truck traffic, debris loads, street vibration and 85dB intermittent noise near both West High and Towers on the BCHD truck path. Beryl Heights, Parras and RUHS will face traffic backups from construction vehicles on Del Amo, Prospect and Beryl. Beryl Heights Elementary will suffer both noise and toxic emissions from backups due to BCHD heavy truck traffic.

Please protect our students, elderly and residents from the significant, negative impacts of BCHDs proposed project. My comments are attached. Thank you.

Marcia Gehrt  
19935 Redbeam Ave.  
Torrance, CA 90503

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Maureen Leral-Denitz <modenitz@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 2, 2021 9:17 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in Gascon

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Dear Mayor and City council

Releasing 76,000 inmates who are violent etc is a dereliction of duty by Gascon. He's been horrible for San Fransisco and now he's destroying LA County. Please vote "no confidence" with Gascons plan. He's ruining our county and we have more crime perpetrated on our city's residents and it's businesses than ever before. It's a revolving door for criminals who want to shoplift, burglarize and trespass in our town. Guns are being confiscated by criminals more than anytime before in our city. We need to give our MBPD more money in the budget to hire more police officers. It's your job to insure our MBPD is functioning to combat these issues and to show Gascon that his policies are not supported here in this town.

Thank you for your hard work

Best

Maureen and David Denitz

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Diane Hembacher <diane.hemb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:57 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No-Confidence Resolution

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Dear Council Members,

As long-time residents of Manhattan Beach, we are asking that you not adopt a No-Confidence Resolution re LA County District Attorney George Gascon. This is not in the best interest of our city.

Thank you,  
Diane and Brian Hembacher



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jen Shoemaker <jshoemak11@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:39 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I do NOT support George Gascon.

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Please pass the vote of no confidence.

Jennifer Shoemaker

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jay Simpson <dirgraphic@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:40 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence

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L.A. County DA George Gascon—someone who wasn't even endorsed by his former mayor of San Francisco—is a disaster for law enforcement on every level.

A No Confidence vote is essential if we are serious about curtailing rising crime.

Jay & Barbra Simpson  
Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kim Weller <kimba613@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:21 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] outdoor dining

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Hi my name is Kimberly Weller and my husband and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for over 30 years. We have always wanted outdoor dining in Manhattan Beach but there were only one or two restaurants where it was offered. Our city is perfect for outdoor dining with the nice weather. Also, it gives our downtown more of close knit vibe. We would love for it to continue throughout the summer and even longer if possible. It's definitely a step in a positive direction after a crazy year and a half of uncertainty. Thank you for your consideration!!!  
Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** DE ROOS, DIRK W <dwderoos@DIRECTV.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:13 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please extend outdoor dining

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My name is Dirk de Roos, my wife and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 17 years, and would like to see the outdoor dining extended.

Considering the financial losses to our restaurants and the employees, it's reasonable to allow outdoor dining to continue at least until the employees and restaurants have made up the lost revenue from the pandemic.

I am supportive for a more permanent solution, but the minimum requirement should be to gain back \$ lost for the restaurants and those employed by the restaurants.

**Dirk de Roos**

Mobile: (424) 321-5401

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jennifer Temperley <jen@climbfitness.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:12 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] PLEASE KEEP OUTDOOR DINING!!

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Hello,

My name is Jennifer Temperley and I have lived in Manhattan Beach over 17 years, and Hermosa Beach another 2. I ask that you really consider outdoor dining to remain as is throughout the summer. We live in one of the best climates in the world and to take away outdoor dining at this point is criminal. It is so wonderful to see everyone outside, businesses thriving, people not on top of each other indoors, people enjoying what Manhattan beach truly has to offer. San Diego is a great example of wonderful ways outdoor dining has been a success. Clearly people LOVE it and are taking advantage of it even regardless of what our weather brings. I understand the need for parking, but hopefully this encourages people to ride bikes, walk, park a bit further and walk, etc. It is not a big sacrificing in my opinion for what you get out of it - the benefits are MASSIVE.

On another note, we aren't entirely out of the jungle in regards to Covid.

When I first moved here, people would come visit and say all they wanted to do was sit outside. Previously, there wasn't many options so we would have to drive up to Venice or Santa Monica.... Let's keep our city vibrant, inviting and outside OPEN! Take advantage of our beautiful space.

Thanks for listening,  
Jen

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Katie Majcher <themajchers@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:07 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Good morning,

I am writing to let you know that my husband and I are in support of continuing the outdoor dining platforms for our downtown restaurants throughout summer and indefinitely. I have spoken to many people (both residents and visitors) who love the outdoor dining and we all feel it is a positive for our city. The restaurants have done such a great job making their outdoor spaces attractive and comfortable. We have lived in MB (north end sand section) for 25 years and believe outdoor dining is a huge improvement for our tow, in addition to helping our local restaurants stay open and make up for limited seating. Please allow these beautiful platforms to continue.

Thank you,

Katie and Stan Majcher

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Laura Kiely <laurakiely@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:05 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] We support continued Outdoor Dining in downtown Manhattan Beach

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Dear City Council Members,  
As residents near Downtown MB, we support the continuation of outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach.

We have been residents in the downtown area since 2005, after moving from 21st Street.  
We lived on the west end of 7th Street prior to moving to our current home on Manhattan Avenue, between 7th and 8th Streets.

Outdoor dining is good for 3 reasons:

- It helps our restaurant owners and staff who have struggled for over a year.

- It helps mitigate Covid-19 spread by providing safer dining opportunities for all.

I know of several people who will not dine indoors until vaccination rates increase beyond our City, as many people from all over the County, state, country, and world visit our town and restaurants.

- It creates fabulous opportunities for diners to enjoy our beautiful outdoor environment and weather ☀️ 🌧️ 🌅

All 3 reasons increase customer patronage, which generates more tax income for the City.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Best,  
Laura Kiely  
Michael Kiely  
Sand section MB Residents since 2005  
Manhattan Beach residents and voters since 1994

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tallie Dennis <tallieruben@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:04 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello!

I am an MB resident for almost 20 years, living in the downtown area (Highland & 11th St). I would like to voice my support to keep outdoor dining👤👤👤👤

This feature has taken advantage of our SoCal climate during the difficult covid times. It has allowed our restaurants to survive during lockdown & dining restrictions.... and, in my opinion, it has created a fun & beautiful atmosphere for our community. Without those surviving restaurants we would have many shuttered small businesses; which would negatively impact our small town and families.

Living only one block from multiple bars & restaurants (Ercoles, Simmzys, Starbucks, The Kettle, etc), I can honestly say that I have not felt any negative impact from outdoor dining. We love our outdoor dining.... and so do all our friends & family!

Please keep outdoor dining!

Thank you,  
Tallie Dennis  
302 11th Street  
Manhattan Beach

Sent from my iPhone



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info on behalf of City of Manhattan Beach  
<CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:01 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] sharon.trucker@gmail.com

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

**Site Visitor Name:** Sharon Trucker  
**Site Visitor Email:** sharon.trucker@gmail.com

I support a vote on "No Confidence" regarding Gascon.  
Some areas of criminal justice need reform ,but he is going overboard protecting criminals to the detriment of the victims .



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**From:** Lori Nolting <lorinolting@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 9:01 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining in Downtown Manhattan Beach

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City Council,

Please vote to allow outdoor dining this summer in Manhattan Beach in the currently constructed parkettes. Our family has lived in Manhattan Beach for six year. We have three children under the age of 10 who are not yet allowed to be vaccinated and our family feels much more comfortable dining out when we can be seated outdoors.

Thank you for your support!

Lori Nolting

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Megan Udis <meganudis@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:51 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining - support

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Greetings,

First, thank you for all you do for this city. I know your roles have not been easy this past year and appreciate all the effort made on behalf of the city. I am a resident who has lived in Manhattan Beach for over 10 years in the tree section and I understand you are discussing the next phase of outdoor dining.

I wanted to share that in my opinion, one of the highlights and best outcome of the pandemic was the introduction of outdoor dining. I have always wondered why we didn't have more outdoor dining with our incredible views and weather and now we do! It would be a real shame to close down the option. Yes, there is a parking issue but perhaps that can be remedied in other ways such as establishing a town shuttle from a parking lot somewhere else and will ultimately encourage residents to walk instead rather than ending outdoor dining. I would love to see it become a permanent fixture of our amazing town.

Thank you,  
Megan

Megan Udis  
415-218-7173  
MeganUdis@gmail.com

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lana Rizika <lanarizika@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:48 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO on Resolution of No Confidence

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Dear Council-  
I DO NOT support the idea of a Resolution of No Confidence for George Gascon.

Taking a political position on LA County politics is not MB City Council's job. Please stay in your lane and attend to local issues.

NO on this Resolution!

Sincerely,  
Lana Rizika

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Yvonne Stevens <yvonne@schickler.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:48 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please do not express a vote of no confidence for LA DA Gascon

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Dear City Council:

As you know, City Council members are tasked with the following:

- supporting the interests of the entire city
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- uniting the city and moving it forward

Using voting data supplied by Mayor Hadley, it is obvious that the no-confidence vote in George Gascon is an issue that only about half of the voters in Manhattan Beach support.

If you look at the total voters from Manhattan Beach:  
45% supported Lacey

- 37% supported Gascon
- 18% didn't vote at all on DA

If you look at just the votes for DA:

- 55% supported Lacey
- 45% supported Gascon

I myself voted for Lacey because I did not and do not support all of what Gascon advocates. However, I do want to see changes in the criminal justice system despite having voted for Lacey, Do not assume that those who voted for Lacey are against Gascon and do NOT vote no confidence on Gascon. Doing so sends a broad message about Manhattan Beach that does NOT reflect the will of the people you represent.

Thank you,

Yvonne Stevens

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mine label <mtipper@minelabel.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:31 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Please keep our outdoor dining !

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Aimee Fahlbusch <aimeefahlbusch@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:24 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello

My name is Aimee Fahlbusch and I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 23 years. I support the outdoor dining through the summer months as it brings vibrancy, we get to enjoy our beautiful weather, and it helps the restaurant business owners.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Aimee

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Cameron Kellock <cameron@kellock.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:22 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] In support of outdoor dining

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Madam/Sir,

A quick note to tell how much my family and myself love the new outdoor dining options in town.

They have so far resulted in:

- A nicer, community vibe
- More family friendly atmosphere
- Less traffic in downtown
- And, importantly, slower traffic.

We sincerely hope the MB City Council makes the outdoor dining options permanent.

Thank you,

- Cameron Kellock  
552 3rd St, MB



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** John Vandemore <jvandemore2001@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:08 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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City Council Members:

As a long-time resident of Manhattan Beach and a local employer, I would like to express my strong desire for you to continue the outdoor dining policies adopted during the pandemic. The advent of meaningful outdoor dining capacity was, perhaps, the one welcome development associated with the pandemic that has become a charming part of the downtown experience. I urge you to keep it in place and find a permanent role for it in our city.

John Vandemore

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** shannan whalen <sgwhalen@me.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:02 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hi

I am a longtime resident of Manhattan beach having moved here back in 1993. I love the outdoor dining downtown and strongly think it should be extended through, minimally, the summer. After that you can reconsider how to modify moving forward but we are just barely coming out of this pandemic. Let's make sure there is no slippage backwards before we remove or alter outdoor dining. Let's hold on to our sunsets while outdoor dining just a bit longer!

Thank you for your consideration.

Best

Shannan whalen

Sent from my iPhone  
310.344.0944

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kelly J. Baek, M.D. <kellybaek@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:56 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Extending MB Outdoor Dining through summer 2021

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MB City Council,

We have been residents of Manhattan Beach for over a decade. I am writing to ask that the council extend outdoor dining through the end of summer 2021. Although my husband and I are both vaccinated, our three sons are not vaccinated to Covid as they are too young. We feel safer dining as a family outdoors when with our children. We urge the council to extend outdoor dining until more children have been vaccinated and our city is closer to herd immunity.

On a separate note, we love the small town community feel that outdoor dining lends. Outdoor dining has been a gift this past year and we hope that the council will support our MB small businesses and restaurants.

Sincerely,  
Kelly Baek

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lynn Range <lhrange@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:56 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Good Morning and To Whom it May Concern,

In addition to allowing city residents to continue to enjoy and support our restaurants, the out door dining in downtown Manhattan Beach has created such a wonderful environment in our city. My husband Greg, and I are hopeful that it continues through out the summer, and that it will become permanent in Manhattan Beach.

Respectfully,  
Lynn Range

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Barry Host <barry.host@vistasir.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:52 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support in favor of issuing a "Resolution of no Confidence in DA Gascon"

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Dear Council,

I am in support of Council issuing a Resolution of no Confidence in DA Gascon.

Thank you for your service.

Regards,  
Barry Host

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**From:** Velda ISHIZAKI <vishizaki@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:37 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I support outdoor dining. Southern California is the perfect place for it

Velda Ishizaki  
513 2nd Street MB 90266

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Rick Lesser <lizardbrane@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:36 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Rick Lesser  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of MB vote for No confidence in new LA County District Attorney

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Dear Council: Members: My family and I strongly support a vote by the City Council , reflecting the vote of a majority of MB voters in last November's election, not to replace Jackie Lacey with the current DA George Gascon. We should join with the many other local cities in objecting to his pro-criminal approach to the LA County justice system and send a strong message rejecting his philosophy.

Rick Lesser, lifetime MB resident since I was born in 1946.  
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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** David Denitz <ddenitz@gatewaybp.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:35 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Hooligan Gascon

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Dear Council Members:

I adamantly endorse a NO Confidence for George "I side with the criminals and not the victims Gascon." 🐱

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Sincerely yours,

**David Denitz**

Principal



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**From:** Nadine Jackson <nadinejackson54@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:35 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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Dear City Council:

As you know, City Council members are tasked with the following:

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If you look at the total voters from Manhattan Beach:

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If you look at just the votes for DA:

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Regardless of how you slice it, a significant portion of our community either supported Gascon or did not support either candidate.

By Mayor Hadley & Councilman Montgomery bringing this issue against Gascon up for a vote, when more than half of our city did not vote for Gascon's opponent, completely goes against the role that each City Council member promised to perform when they were being elected. All it will do is create division, which is exactly what we are seeing on social media, etc.

If our City Council truly wants to support the interests of our ENTIRE city, not push their personal agenda, and unite our city to move forward, you must table this issue. It should never have been put on the agenda and if you continue with the vote, you will be responsible for lighting another fire of division in our town. Please use your leadership positions to help unite us.

Sincerely,

Nadine Jackson

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Eric Sugden <esugden@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:24 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] we support downtown outdoor dining

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Hello Council Members,

We live on 17th ST near Highland and wanted to voice our support for the outdoor dining to continue throughout the summer. The downtown businesses were hit hard during the pandemic and having the outdoor option is really important for their viability.

Additionally, it is great for the community to be able to dine outdoors and enjoy the warm weather. We often enjoy walking into town to eat outdoors and would love to see it continue.

Eric and Patricia Sugden  
308 17th ST  
MB

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** kimberlee k <4kimberleekelly@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:12 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hi,

I have been a resident of manhattan beach in the sand section for 26 years. I absolutely love the outdoor dining areas. They add so much charm to our city. They have in No way deterred me from shopping downtown. If anything I go downtown more frequently due to the outdoor dining. Please keep these spaces.

Kimberlee Kelly

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Trent Overholt <trent.overholt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:04 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of Outdoor Dining from DTMB resident

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Council

I've been living at 129 12th street since 1999, my kids go to grand view and mbms, and I/we love and invest in this community.

I'm a big fan of the outdoor dining. I think it's fantastic that you could and did quickly provide this support (via outdoor seating capacity expansion) to local businesses during this tough time created by Covid. I think we should provide some additional time with this outdoor capacity while a permanent model that includes a similar degree of increased outdoor dining is given proper considerations.

These businesses don't need another massive operational disruption and the related cost. Also, the parking needed for downtown was established in a pre-Uber/lyft time, and trading some old school parking spaces for outdoor dining (and hopefully bike racks and E-Car spots with Chargers day upon a permanent reset!) this is simply a better for the community.

Thanks,

Trent Overholt  
310-739-5466

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** MIKE WELSH <aewelsh@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:01 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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Dear city council members

It is entirely appropriate to go on the record with a non confidence vote regarding LA DA Gascon. Crime soared and quality of life dramatically decreased at his previous tenure in San Francisco. We are seeing the same thing happening here already in his brief tenure. He is disbanding the LA gang detail because he doesn't like the way it "sounds". He is emptying the jails at an alarming pace and is overseeing no cash bail which many times returns criminals to the streets the same day they are arrested. This is how you destroy civilization. I'm not sure what influence you hold over the school district but their embracing of CRT theory is going to further tear this city apart. You sure picked an interesting time to be on the city council. 😊  
So much rides on your decisions. We need strong leadership at times like this.

“The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.” — Edmund Burke

Mike Welsh  
Resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kate K Wright <katekwright5@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:18 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining approval

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As a resident of MB, and one who lives nearby downtown, our family enjoys the pleasure of walking downtown and eating outside. We would like to voice our enjoyment of the outdoor dining areas and hope this option can remain.

Kindly,

The Wright Family

512-773-6520 (mobile)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Greg Korenevsky <greg\_koren@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 11:41 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence for Gascon

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Dear MB City Council,

I'd like to voice my support of the proposed resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. His ideas are not just wrong-headed, but downright dangerous, and were proven in practice to have disastrous consequences for cities like San Francisco. His continued leadership of the DA office threatens to undermine public safety in the Los Angeles county, and public trust in our judicial system - the bedrock of our Democracy. It is also destructive and demoralizing for the DA:s and for our law enforcement professionals who strive to protect our citizens, and to uphold justice.

Thanks for listening.

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Best Regards,  
Greg Korenevsky  
(MB resident since 1992)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Michael Lin <michaels.lin@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 11:16 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO Confidence in D.A. George Gascon

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Dear City of Manhattan Beach,

I am emailing the Manhattan Beach City Council to please put a vote of NO confidence in LA County District Attorney, George Gascon.

His policies incentivize crime, and as a result, crime has skyrocketed throughout all of LA County.

George Gascon is a threat to the residents of Manhattan Beach.

Please support law and order, the safety of law-abiding citizens, and justice for victims of violent crime.

The community of Manhattan Beach overwhelmingly disapproves of George Gascon and urges our city elected officials to put a vote of

No confidence in D.A. George Gascon.

Thank you.

God bless,  
Michael Lin



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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jill Lamkin <jill@downtownmanhattanbeach.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 10:21 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Kevin Barry; Dave Caskey; Kristin Coia; Kris D'Errico; Linda McLoughlin Figel; Lori Ford; Molly Hobin; Maureen McBride; Jenna Ritter; Chandra Shaw; Mike Simms; Vanessa Zippo; Mike Zislis  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Extension  
**Attachments:** Letter to Council Outdoor Dining Extension V2.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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May 17, 2021

Mayor Suzanne Hadley  
Members of City Council  
City Manager Bruce Moe

City of Manhattan Beach  
1400 Highland Avenue  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Dear Mayor Hadley, City Council and City Manager Moe,

After a full year we are regaining some normalcy, with much credit going to the City and Council of Manhattan Beach, and we thank you. We are asking for support to extend outdoor dining. Our businesses continue to endure the impact of the pandemic, and this will enable our restaurants to recoup some lost revenues during our summer months.

Outdoor dining benefitted Downtown by providing an essential lifeline to restaurants, and many of our businesses believe that outdoor dining positively impacted foot traffic leading to sales revenues during the pandemic. A strong combination of bustling retail, restaurant and services are vital to the success of Downtown Manhattan Beach.

The BID and the DBPA are requesting that City Council approve the following:

1. Allow currently permitted outdoor dining decks and sidewalk dining to remain through Labor Day, Monday September 6<sup>th</sup>.
2. Allow restaurants to seat the maximum allowable capacity as determined by LA County Health Department guidelines for both indoor and outdoor spaces through Labor Day. This could potentially allow some restaurants to operate at a total seating count that exceeds their pre-COVID dining capacity.

If outdoor dining is extended, the DBPA recommends that participating restaurants must be open during the day for lunch a minimum of five days every week. With the elimination of 68 street parking spaces to accommodate the outdoor decks, we believe our entire downtown will benefit from activated dining decks and foot traffic during daytime hours. We also foresee additional tax revenues to the City for the increased activity in the restaurants.

This is not a request for permanent outdoor dining; that will need to be a separate, thorough and community-inclusive conversation. This is a request to extend the emergency orders because our businesses are still enduring the impact of the pandemic crisis. We respectfully thank you for your consideration to extend the emergency order for outdoor dining.

Jill Lamkin  
Executive Director, DBPA

**DBPA Board of Directors:**

Kevin Barry  
Dave Caskey  
Kristin Coia  
Kris D'Errico  
Linda McLoughlin Figel  
Lori Ford

Molly Hobin Williams  
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Michael Zislis

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Dayle Eisenhauer <dayleeisenhauer@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 10:22 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Resolution no

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Dear Manhattan Beach Council,

**On Tues, May 18th you will decide whether or not to support a No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón.**

The city council's job is to create *local* policies. This is NOT a local policy.

So my message to the council is simple: "**Don't adopt this resolution.**"

Thank you  
Dayle Eisenhauer & Reed Eisenhauer

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tawnya Jackson <tawnyajackson3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 10:12 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City Council,

We live very close to downtown Manhattan Beach. We are hoping you will vote to keep the outside dining through the summer. We very much enjoy dining outside and think it has brought more charm to our city!

Thank you,

Tawnya & Kent Jackson

Residents of 514 17th

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Martha Andreani <mandreani09@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 10:04 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Bruce Moe; Carrie Tai, AICP  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council Meeting of May 18/Dining in our Downtown Streets

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Dear Mayor Hadley, Mayor Pro Tem Stern, Councilmembers Napolitano, Franklin, and Montgomery:

RE: City Council Meeting of May 18, 2021 -- Agenda Item 21-0149 -- Consideration of Extending Temporary Permits for Outdoor Dining

Everyone likes outdoor dining, but NOT like that which currently exists in the Downtown. Please, do not extend the in-street dining beyond the June 15 deadline.

It almost feels as though the entire Downtown has become an outdoor restaurant! Thank goodness you've opened the street closure on Manhattan Avenue north of Manhattan Beach Blvd, but look what has continued to happen. Restaurants have increased in-street dining, and some of these outdoor dining areas have begun to look more permanent with roofs and plastic siding.

The intersection of Manhattan Beach Blvd and Ocean Drive is almost unbearable for drivers and pedestrians, as well as the servers from Brew Co and Rock n Fish that must cross Ocean Drive to wait tables that are west of Ocean on Manhattan Beach Blvd. And that intersection is unquestionably unsafe due to its congestion. Ocean Drive both south and north of MBB is NOT easy-access for emergency vehicles. And just this afternoon, I saw a woman attempting to wheel her 2-seated stroller (with 2 little children) out of the south upper pier parking lot out onto Ocean to make a left turn down toward the Strand. A car making a turn onto Ocean stopped suddenly, scaring the woman (and himself, I'm sure). Diners/drinkers sometimes stand outside the Shellback Tavern dining barrier, making that intersection even more crowded and dangerous. (The dining tables, chairs, and umbrellas have been removed from the Ocean Drive side of the Strand House, but the dining barrier is still there "protecting" the heat lamps. In other words, the Strand House has storage on Ocean Drive.

Over the past 5 weeks, I've had guests from San Francisco, Chicago, Calabasas, and Porter Ranch. None of my guests wanted to sit "with their shoulders near cars", "that close to traffic", and "that near exhaust fumes". *Street dining isn't patio dining.*

Masks are coming off (thankfully). Let's get platforms, barriers, tables, chairs, umbrellas, heaters, diners and wait staff out of our streets!! If it is the City's intention to increase the footprint of restaurants in the Downtown, let's plan for it wisely. Taking away streets, parking, and sidewalks isn't the right way. Our restaurants were successful prior to the Covid pandemic, and additional

restaurants have been and are waiting for opportunities here. The restaurants will remain successful when they're out of the streets.

*With much respect for your service to our community, please don't forget that the Downtown is made up not only of restaurants, retail and other businesses, but also RESIDENTS. Please don't extend street dining.*

Martha Andreani  
Resident of the Downtown

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Stacey Fundingsland <stacey.fundingsland@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:56 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hi,

Stacey Fundingsland, I am a resident of Manhattan Beach with my family of five. We absolutely love the outdoor dining. I think being able to sit outside and enjoy the sunshine and view while dining is exactly what our city was lacking. Hopefully the set up can help our business owners recoup after the covid shutdowns this past year.

Thanks!

Stacey Fundingsland

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Stacey Fundingsland

[stacey.fundingsland@gmail.com](mailto:stacey.fundingsland@gmail.com)

310-648-1273

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Bruce Greenberg <bruce.h.greenberg@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:38 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item 12. Conduct Public Hearing to Consider Approval of a Coastal Development Permit to Expand the Overnight Residential Permit Parking Program on 45th Street Between Ocean Drive and Highland Avenue

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Hello Mayor Hadley and Members of Council,

A few thoughts regarding Agenda Item 12. Conduct Public Hearing to Consider Approval of a Coastal Development Permit to Expand the Overnight Residential Permit Parking Program on 45th Street Between Ocean Drive and Highland Avenue

- When beach-goer behavior crosses the line to become a public nuisance, it has to be addressed. I'm sympathetic to Ms. Nagengast and understand her desire to restrict parking on 45th St. However, I don't believe that permit parking restrictions are the right solution to the problem.
- This is NOT a parking issue. It's a policing issue. If there are people who are behaving as described in the staff report, then the MBPD should patrol the area diligently, respond promptly to calls from residents, issue citations for violations, and conduct arrests when appropriate, sending a strong message that such behaviors will not be tolerated on 45th St..or anywhere else in El Porto or throughout MB.
- The staff report stated: "The Police Department receives occasional complaints of disturbances, illegal activity and littering on 45th Street." Do these "occasional complaints" warrant instituting parking restrictions that will have adverse consequences on the surrounding neighborhood? How many complaints has the PD received over the past 6 months? How have they responded? How many citations have they issued? How many arrests have they made? Have they increased patrols of this area?
- The staff report recommends the permit parking restrictions on 45th because it purports to support the public welfare of the residents on 45th St. However, it is important to recognize that doing so would create a public burden on the residents of surrounding streets by:
  - Pushing the nuisance issues off of 45th and onto Highland and surrounding streets. Beach goers who want to party after surfing will continue to do so;
  - And, for the nearby residents in the area who rely on 45th for occasional overnight guest parking spaces, this proposal will eliminate 8 currently unrestricted public parking spots. Sure, we could purchase a permit for \$120 /yr in but that's a bit steep for the few nights a year we need guest parking.
- Let's be practical...this is NOT a parking problem. This is a police enforcement problem. And let's not make this somebody else's problem by pushing the nuisance behaviors off 45th St onto the surrounding streets. Let's directly address the nuisance behaviors.
- The City Council should recommend that the MBPD increase patrols and aggressive enforcement of nuisance behaviors throughout El Porto, with particular attention to the issues raised on 45th St.

Thank you for your consideration.

-BG

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Bruce Greenberg



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Melissa Overholt <mpaceoverholt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:25 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Downtown Resident of 18 years in FAVOR of extending outdoor dining...

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Hello,

I've lived at 129 12th Street for 18 years now. Our home is diagonally across from Fishing W/Dynamite. I have 3 kids that attend GV and MBMS. We are VERY invested in this community. We have seen a lot of changes in downtown Manhattan Beach over the past almost 2 decades and THE BEST change is the addition of outdoor dining. We live in the most beautiful city in the country and it was always a mystery to us why there were barely any restaurants where you could eat outside. I enjoying eating outside personally as well as walking downtown (or sitting on my deck) and seeing friends (and strangers for that matter) smiling, laughing, and connecting over a delicious meal. Warms my heart and gives our small town even more charm and character. As a resident that is DIRECTLY affected by this addition I'm telling you it doesn't bother me or my husband/kids in the least. I CHOSE to live downtown...is there more traffic and is it a bit noisier than the trees? Of course... it's a downtown - that's expected. Anyone knows that when they buy a house in this area. Does the outdoor dining make it even louder or an increase in traffic? It does not iin our opinion... Please keep the outdoor dining!!!!

Sincerely,

Melissa Overholt

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jeff Davis <jeff@vintagecapital.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:21 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Resolution of Expressing NO CONFIDENCE in DA George Gascon

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Dear All City Council Members:

*I vehemently support and am in favor of the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon! I plead with all five council-members to confirm this resolution. There should be zero tolerance for crime in our city of Manhattan Beach, let alone any neighboring cities, yet the recent documented crime has endangered the citizens of this community. What Gascon left behind in San Francisco is shameful, leaving to pursue his ideologies in the City of Angels, as if his same actions aren't expected to leave the same trail of rising crime, we cannot be this blind. This isn't a political issue, it's a human issue. It would be shocking to any and everyone I know in Manhattan Beach if our City Council didn't vote unanimously for this Resolution.*

*Jeff Davis*

Sent from my iPad

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sueafreund@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:18 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Dining Outdoors

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Hope this email finds everyone well. We wanted to make sure we sent a quick note encouraging the council to let the outdoor dining stay. We live in the hill section and have enjoyed the addition to our city. Taking a walk downtown and enjoying a dinner outside has been a treat during these last several months. Our belief is the outdoor dining has actually cut down the number of incoming pure beach goers due to the limited parking. Those of us living here locally are able to walk or bike down and enjoy all of our local shopping. It also seems if we do drive we don't have the issues we used to experience with the beach goers in competing for parking. As we move into the summer months the outside dining will continue to give the community a special experience keeping us more local in feel. It really has given the downtown a new sense of charm which keeps us walking down for dining, shopping and enjoying our community with neighbors and friends. We are in support of keeping the outdoor dining!

Sue and Billy Freund  
1018 1st street

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Nicole Peters <nikipete1@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:14 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hi, I have enjoyed living in Manhattan Beach for 25 years and LOVE the outdoor dining facilities that were opened during Covid. I've always felt that Manhattan Beach Blvd and Manhattan Ave should be pedestrianized - and this is the next best thing.

Please help to preserve the outdoor dining.

NICOLE PETERS  
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**From:** Kerstin Kripalani <kkrip@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:07 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] outdoor dining

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To City Council,

My family and I have lived in Manhattan beach for almost 20 years. We love the outdoor dining and really hope you consider extending it through the summer - and even making it permanent! The restaurants are an important and excellent part of this town and being able to eat while enjoying our amazing climate is such a treat. I've often wondered why outdoor dining didn't happen sooner, but so happy it's here now...and hoping it stays!

Best,

Kerstin Kripalani

Please note that my email address has changed. It is now [kkrip@mac.com](mailto:kkrip@mac.com)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Angela Nelson <adnelson625@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:52 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gason

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Good evening!

As a Strand resident I am incredibly concerned with the uptick in crime. I have teenage children and I fear for their safety every day! Years ago I would have never felt this way!

I strongly support the council's resolution expressing NO CONFIDENCE in District Attorney George Gascon. Our town has become more and more divisive. I ask that you help bring this town back together with the comfort and confidence of a safe community.

THANK YOU,  
Angela Nelson  
3404 The Strand

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Susan Adams <susanadams510@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:50 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TOTAL SuPPORT for Outdoor Dining

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I totally support continuation of outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach well beyond the summer! We have the best weather on the planet and, until COVID, hardly any outdoor dining opportunities. This makes no sense. It has been a pleasure to simultaneously enjoy great food and great weather at our great downtown restaurants. Please please continue this new and overdue tradition.

I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 40 years. The last 20 have been downtown with a Birdseye view of Slay, Nando, Tacolicious, FWD and MB Post. It has been delightful.

Thank you.

Susan Adams

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Quincyann Tsai <qfebre@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:43 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Jackson Tsai  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City of MB resolution to support AAPI solidarity and community

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Dear City Council,

I support the "Resolution Affirming the City of Manhattan Beach's Commitment to the Safety and Well-Being of our Asian American and Pacific Islander Community Members and Denouncing Xenophobia." Thank you for considering this resolution that is important to our community.

Best,  
Quincyann & Jackson Tsai  
Residents of MB



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** JERRY KINNAN <jkinnan436@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:22 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence

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Dear City Council Members,

We support a NO confidence resolution regarding County DA, George Gascon!

Patricia and Jerry Kinnan

MB Residents since 1974  
Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Angela Smith <asmithvb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:16 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] In support of outdoor dining

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I write to you all this evening in support of maintaining the outdoor dining in our city. It has been the greatest thing to come of COVID (in my opinion). We live in the most beautiful city and to be able to dine outdoors is a huge bonus. This has proved to be enjoyable and a new bonus to living at the beach.

Please consider keeping outdoor dining in our great beach town. It feels authentic in so many ways ... like it was meant to be.

Thank you  
Angie Smith  
6th St Resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bream, Sarah <bream@chan.usc.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:14 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Sustain Outdoor Dining

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council,

I am writing to express my full support of sustaining outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach. I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 1996. Our family currently resides on 11th Street, which is walking distance to our favorite restaurants. Sustaining outdoor dining will help to ensure the small business owners bounce back from the dreadful impact of the closures and downsizing due to covid-19. Additionally, outdoor dining will ensure the residents of Manhattan Beach and many visitors from afar may continue to enjoy their favorite restaurants during the beautiful summer months and beyond.

Respectfully,

Sarah Bream  
Manhattan Beach Resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Haruko Froeb <haruko15@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:03 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please keep outdoor dining

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Good afternoon City council members,

My name is Haruko Froeb and live in north Manhattan Beach area.

We have thoroughly enjoyed both the downtown MB and North MB outdoor dining that has been installed due to the pandemic. We live in such a special place where we could have year round outdoor dining so we should definitely embrace it.

Thank you,  
Haruko

Please excuse any typos...sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** robert daviduk <rndaviduk@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:58 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hello City Council Members,

I have lived in Manhattan Beach for nearly 20 years and I am writing in support of continuing outdoor dining through the summer. We enjoy supporting our local restaurants and their employees, both of which have experienced significant hardship during the Covid pandemic. We are fortunate to have such great weather in Manhattan Beach and truly enjoy being able to sit outside while dining and supporting our local businesses.

Best regards,

Bob Daviduk

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Courtney Shabani <courtney.shabani@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:40 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello!

We have lived in Manhattan Beach for almost 10 years and just wanted to take a moment to voice our agreement on extending outdoor dining through the summer. This year has been obviously hard on everyone but my husband and I keep talking about the silver linings and I think one of them is outdoor dining. I can't believe we get to live in this gorgeous beach town and was always baffled that they didn't have outdoor dining where you get to eat/drink and stare at the ocean. I believe keeping it will help the restaurants and to be honest as a resident it helps me because there are more seating options! Please continue outdoor dining at least through the summer or better yet indefinitely.

Thank you,  
Courtney Shabani  
2807 Elm Ave, Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Boris Droutman <bdroutman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:35 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] strong support for the the proposed resolution of No Confidence in District Attorney George Gascon.

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Dear MB City Council,

I'd like to add my vote in support of the proposed resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon.

Thanks a lot for your hard work and for listening!

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Best Regards,  
Boris Droutman  
(MB resident since 2003)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Stacy Rusher <rusher429@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:28 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City Council-

Thank you for all the time you put into making the city better, or at least trying to. You deal with many situations, and whether I agree with the result or not, I appreciate the time you invest.

This is a quick email to voice my support, and that of my husband Scott Rusher, of extending the outdoor dining permit through the summer. It goes without saying that these businesses suffered greatly financially over the past year, and the outdoor dining has been a real boost.

I hope you consider extending the permit, and helping our local businesses, it is the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

Stacy Rusher



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kelly Jacobs <ksjacobs2001@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:06 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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My name is Kelly Jacobs. My husband and I live at 652 26th street. We have lived in Manhattan Beach since 1994 and 1996. And we have been home owners in town for 20 years this year.

We would love to see outdoor dining continue through the summer for many reasons. Dining outdoors adds to the experience in a positive way making the occasion feel all the more special. Now that indoor and outdoor options are available it expands capacity which will help the restaurants in town continue to recuperate from a very tough year. Many of the restaurants have also spend a lot of money making the outdoor experiences quite exceptional! And after all the investment - what better time for outdoor dining - SUMMER when the weather is at it's best.

We strongly urge extending the outdoor dining through at least the summer.

Thank you for your time!

Kelly and Mark Jacobs

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Charles Southey <charlessouthey@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:39 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence Gascon

**Importance:** High

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Dear Council,

As I am sure you have heard from many, I urge the City Council to issue a vote of no confidence for George Gascon. I am sure you are aware of his horrible record in San Fran and insist he no longer be allowed to bring those failed policies here. The fact that MB citizens have already felt the effects of his policies is maddening. How is it that are criminals getting arrested on a Friday for robbery and then getting rearrested for the same crime on Saturday? Do we need to wait for a serious injury as a result of his policies to take serious action.

Please issue the vote of no confidence in Mr. Gascon.

Sincerely,

Charles Southey

**San Francisco's** property **crime rate** jumped 37% during **Gascón's** tenure, driven largely by **record** numbers of car break-ins. In 2017, the city reported more than 31,000 auto burglaries, the worst year on **record**, according to the **San Francisco** Chronicle.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-10-17/some-san-franciscans-question-george-gascons-legacy-as-the-godfather-of-progressive-prosecutors>

<https://www.sfchronicle.com/crime/article/Gasc-n-made-enemies-as-SF-s-reformer-district-14545705.php>

<https://theavtimes.com/2019/12/11/op-ed-george-gascon-wreaked-havoc-on-the-san-francisco-das-office/>

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** TOM HASTINGS <tomvpg@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:14 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Outdoor dining is something to be retained even after the Pandemic. It is ridiculous that it took a Pandemic to allow something done throughout the world on a regular basis.

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Shannon and Bob Nicholson <the.dogs@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:11 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Keep Outdoor Dining!

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I am writing in my support of extending outdoor dining in Manhattan Beach through the summer, and hopefully beyond. My family of six has lived in Manhattan Beach for 26 years and absolutely love the new life that outdoor dining has brought to the city. The city feels alive with a much needed renewed sense of community. Our restaurants have been through so much this past year. Let's help them out by allowing them to keep outdoor dining and allowing all of us who have been stuck in our homes so much of this last year to enjoy the summer!

Sincerely,  
Shannon Nicholson

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** amanda garner <agarnermd@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:08 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello,

We have lived in MB for 12 years & counting.

We truly enjoy the outdoor dining,  
especially in the warmer months.

Please keep this outstanding option!

Sincerely,

Amanda Garner, MD  
Don Paul

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** ERIN FREEMAN <erinfreeman@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:01 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hi - my name is Erin Freeman and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for a combined 36 years (I am 50 so by far and away, this is home!). I went to Pacific school, center school and Mira costa. My girls were born here and went to Grand view and MBMS. I'm old enough to have seen movies at La Mar theater, walked the railroad tracks and camped out for front row seats at the Manhattan Open volleyball tournament.

I am writing today to let you know we fully, eagerly, enthusiastically SUPPORT outdoor dining downtown MB. My whole family loves it - we are vaccinated and still would rather sit outside. My parents live in Santa Barbara and their city council promised restaurants three years of outdoor dining for incurring the expense of building out the spaces. I'm not asking for that (yet) but would love to see it stay as long as possible. We live near 18th and Highland so close to downtown and we still love it. Traffic is what it is so we walk.

Thank you for  
Your work and consideration.

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gregory S. Harris <harris\_greg@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:58 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Gregory S. Harris  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] In Support of Outdoor Dining

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Dear City Council,

Thank you all again for your quick replies to my email last week. We are fortunate to have such an engaged city council who cares deeply about our community.

I understand that there is a planned vote this evening on whether the City Council should support outdoor dining.

As a long time MB resident (who lives in the sand section close to DTMB), I would like to express my enthusiastic support of outdoor dining. Now that we finally have the ability to dine with views while our local businesses benefit from additional customers, I really hope we can make this a permanent element to the MB living experience. Ultimately, it would be best to establish a design review process to ensure we have nice looking and safe structures. Of the dozens of friends we have in town, not one has expressed anything other than full support of “the best thing that came out of COVID” for our town.

Thank you,  
Greg

sent from **Greg's iCloud**  
[harris\\_greg@icloud.com](mailto:harris_greg@icloud.com)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Amber Martin <ambermartin06@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:50 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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To: City Council

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 2000. I whole-heartedly support the continuance of outdoor dining in downtown MB. We live at the beach with beautiful weather and beautiful neighbors and friends. After the past year, what a treat to enjoy our local restaurants outside with friends and family. Further, we need to continue to support local restaurants, many of whom I assume will welcome the continual outdoor dining options and many of whom are still struggling from the shut-downs.

Thanks for your consideration.

Regards,  
Amber Martin  
MB resident



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Heidi Rayden <heidirayden@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:50 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support No Confidence Vote

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Dear Council,

As a tree section residents for three years, we strongly support the resolution "Vote Of No Confidence" re: Gascon. Thank you for bringing this resolution forward.

The argument that this is "divisive " is a mute point ...thanks to Hildy's fine work with the BBTF we are already a divided city.

Safety is not racist.

Thank you ,  
Heidi Rayden Tobias

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Sent from my iPad

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Brian Zaumeyer <bzaumeyer@odysseyinvestment.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:42 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] outdoor dining.

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City Council,

Greetings and thanks for your efforts on behalf of City. I am writing a note to relay my strong support for continued outdoor dining downtown through the summer, and permanently if in some form will be allowed. As a 21 year resident of MB, I think it's a great addition and makes the outdoor dining experience and the overall downtown experience far better. Thank you.

Brian Zaumeyer  
310-922-6117

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Devon Bream <dbream@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:40 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Local resident supports downtown outdoor dining

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Dear City Council,

I am writing to share my support of the existing outdoor dining throughout downtown Manhattan Beach. I sincerely hope that the outdoor dining will continue through the summer and beyond.

In addition to the additional times my family and I have decided to frequent the downtown restaurants due to the outdoor dining, I have held numerous business meetings at the various outdoor establishments. Work colleagues and business associates enjoy driving to Manhattan Beach to enjoy the outdoor dining. In the past, we would meet outside of Manhattan Beach before the outdoor dining initiative occurred. While dining outdoors, often my colleagues and business associates come into Manhattan Beach early to shop at the various boutiques.

As my representatives on important topics such as outdoor dining, I appreciate you considering the opinions of local residents. Please continue to support the outdoor dining initiative and consider how it enhances the Manhattan Beach experience for us locals and our guests.

Kind regards,

Devon Bream  
725 11th Street  
MHB

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sarah Brown <sarahbrownonline@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:31 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello,  
Please extend the outdoor dining!!!  
It is an amazing addition to our town.  
Best, Sarah Brown  
400 N. Poinsettia Ave. Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ellen Regenstreif <ellen@childtours.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:30 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello, we are in support of the continued outdoor dining situation in downtown MB. We have been MB residents for 25 years and are thrilled that our small businesses and restaurants can make some recovery by having more space for diners as the summer approaches. It is a lovely way to enjoy our town for residents and guests alike.

Ellen Regenstreif, Ph.D.  
ChildTours  
310-529-8251  
[www.ChildTours.com](http://www.ChildTours.com)  
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**From:** Cindy Bond <cindy@bond-associates.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:13 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] outdoor dining & elimination of mask mandate

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Dear City Council,

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach since 1993 and a business owner since 2000. I live in downtown Manhattan Beach at 124 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Unit C.

I am extremely “pro-business” but feel the outdoor dining has gotten out of control. And with the summer crowds it will be a complete nightmare similar to when you all decided to shutdown Manhattan Avenue – total disaster!

Not only does it look tacky for our gorgeous city but it is dangerous. People seem to walk around not paying any attention to the traffic and someone could really get hurt. Rather than extend the outdoor dining the restrictions on indoor dining should be eliminated.

My suggestion is for all council members to actually go and observe what it looks like downtown on a Saturday/Saturday night. And better yet try and drive through downtown – which I have to do to access my residence.

Oh and while you are at it, please eliminated the “outdoor mandate” after the CDC came out and said there is ZERO evidence of outdoor transmission. We can save the city the money being paid to the mask enforcers.

### **Cindy Bond, CPA**

Bond & Associates - Executive Search  
Mobile: 310.418.1766 office: 310.802.1201  
email: cindy@bond-associates.net

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Martin Sarafa <msarafa@cpclp.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:11 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Should be Extended

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Dear City Council,

I understand that you are taking a vote on whether or not to extend outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach for this summer. I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 27 years within a few blocks of downtown and think the extension of seating to the outdoor space is the best thing the city has done for downtown since developing Metlox. I know this was done first and foremost to help our restauranteurs stay afloat during the pandemic, but it has become a much greater attraction than just for that reason. Everyone has loved being able to sit outdoors on a nice day/evening and enjoy the fresh air, the town and the view. It feels very natural for a beach town like Manhattan Beach to have outdoor dining, and in fact I always thought something was missing not having fun, outdoor seating like so many other downtown areas around the country. I hope you will vote to extend it. Everyone I know is in favor.

Eventually, it would be appropriate to incorporate outdoor seating in a more attractive manner than what we have now. With everyone setting up their own structures it looks a little disorganized, but with some cleaner parameters it could be designed very attractively and perhaps take up less space.

Thank you,

Martin Sarafa  
821 Highview Ave

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** KIMBERLY ROSENFELD <kimberfeld@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:03 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I am writing to request that the council strongly consider extending the outdoor seating in the city's restaurants.

We have been residents in Manhattan Beach for almost 12 years. We have enjoyed the recent adjustments made to accommodate outdoor seating not just from a safety perspective, but from an enjoyment factor as well. We always felt like it was such a shame that there were not more places to dine outside in downtown MB.

While the pandemic brought a multitude of challenges, it also brought opportunities to try new things. These new outdoor dining opportunities are one of the silver linings we should maintain as the world begins to open up again.

Outdoor dining will allow for additional seating, benefitting the restaurants that could rest use the extra income while they recover financially. It allows for patrons who are still not completely comfortable dining indoors an option of in-person restaurant dining. It also allows for patrons to take advantage of our beautiful California weather!

We hope that you will strongly consider keeping the outdoor seating options at restaurants no only for the short term, but indefinitely.

Thank you,  
Kimberly Rosenfeld  
1613 Wendy Way



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Duncan Orrell-Jones <dorrelljones@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:01 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please keep outdoor dining through the Summer

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Dear City Council:

I'd like to add my support to the idea of keeping outdoor dining in place through the Summer. While we are all returning to more normal activities, I think it is wise to keep outdoor dining in place at least through the Summer. Personally, I am much more comfortable eating outdoors than indoors, so will only frequent local restaurants if I can eat outside.

Thank you,

Duncan Orrell-Jones  
2412 Elm Avenue,  
Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ranjit Kripalani <rkrip@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:00 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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To City Council,

As a long standing member of the Manhattan Beach community living both in the Hill Section for 15 years, and now in the central core for the last 4 years, I highly recommend we extend the outdoor dining facilities around town. In time I would potentially consider making them permanent.

Regards  
Ron Kripalani

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** James Orland <jim@orlandlawgroup.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:59 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of no confidence for George Gascon

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I urge the city council to issue a vote of no confidence for George Gascon. The statistics are clear that his failure to prosecute property crimes, like car break-ins, has and will continue to lead to a large jump in these types of crimes. Also, his reduction of certain crimes from felonies to misdemeanors and zero bail policies are all especially bad for Manhattan Beach residences. I hope the City counsel takes the appropriate action and join the many other cities who have issued the vote of no confidence in Mr. Gascon.

Thank you

Jim Orland, Esq.



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**From:** Elise Johnson <elisejohnson5@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 5:51 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Keep the outdoor dining please

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Hey Council,

I've been working in an emergency department and haven't really been out to eat since.... well, since... I forget. Please consider keeping the outdoor dining areas open permanently. In about a month I'll be ready to return to restaurants. I love this idea and I'd hate to miss this opportunity to eat outside.

Thanks for all you do.

Elise

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Coby McDonald <cobusmcd@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:52 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of outdoor dining :)

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My wife, and our 4 kids have been in the area for 10+ years; we live just over by Grand View. While Covid has been horrible, but having outdoor dining has been amazing! Our great beach town has been missing this component for years. We hope that these spaces stay open (and even more are created).

Thank you,  
Coby and Marianne McDonald



Coby McDonald  
Agent  
DRE#: 02117458

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**From:** Kelly Weber <kellycweber@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:50 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining in Manhattan Beach

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Kelly Weber and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 15 years (both on 25th Street and 4th Street). I believe 100% that the restaurant patios in MB should be extended through the summer. Restaurants struggled for so long due to the pandemic and should be allowed to flourish over the summer. I also believe many people are still uncomfortable eating inside and since the pandemic is not over, I think it is imperative that people have the option to eat outside.

Thank you,  
Kelly Weber

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kisu Lam <kisulam@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:48 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FW: Proposed Resolution 21-0043 on May 18, 2021

**CAUTION:** This Email is from an EXTERNAL source. Ensure you trust this sender before clicking on any links or attachments.

I urge each and every member of the City Council to approve proposed, Resolution 21-0043, "Affirming the City of Manhattan Beach's Commitment to the Safety and Well-Being of our Asian American and Pacific Islander Community Members and Denouncing Xenophobia." Your public discussion and adoption of this resolution will demonstrate that you are committed to working towards the elimination of racism against the City's largest minority group and a significant percentage of the City's population.

Some of you may think that such a resolution is unnecessary in Manhattan Beach. I would disagree with you. My husband and I are Asian Americans. We moved to Manhattan Beach 31 years ago as young adults and are raising our children here. We love this City, but know first-hand that racism exists here towards Asian Americans and other minorities. We have been very concerned about the escalation of reported verbal and physical attacks on Asian Americans this year, and know that there are undoubtedly many, many more unreported attacks. These attacks are happening in neighboring communities. It would be irresponsible to think that they could not happen in Manhattan Beach.

The events of this year have caused my family to reach out to many other South Bay Asian Americans to discuss racism, and we are realizing as a group that we need to become more proactive in municipal matters to ensure that racism against us does not continue to be overlooked. Having each of you discuss the need for the resolution during open session and then voting to pass it would show us that you care about the City's Asian American citizens and about eliminating racism against all groups.

Sincerely,

Kisu Lam

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** J U <theugroup@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:44 PM  
**To:** Jill Lamkin  
**Cc:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Supporting Outdoor Dining

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100% support outdoor dining

The solution for all groups is add 200-250 parking. Under Joslyn Center, add spaces under city hall, add to Metlox and behind Vons. Many of options and choices.

Downtown residents- if you were to add 200-250 additional parking it would clean up traffic and leave them places to park. Resident parking only.

City finances- the city would add more revenues from parking and give a huge break to small businesses from the current landlord rates but still add additional revenues

Current small businesses- Use something like love and salt as an example. Make it work for all business. If done right it could increase foot traffic by 100%.

I know there is a lot more that goes into these decisions but outdoor dining is a huge success, let's keep things going the right direction

John Uriostegui

Sent from my iPhone

On May 17, 2021, at 3:34 PM, Jill Lamkin <jill@downtownmanhattanbeach.com> wrote:

City Council will vote tomorrow night whether or not to extend outdoor dining (in its current state) through the summer. Our Downtown Businesses have sent a letter of support, but there is a group of residents who live Downtown who are opposing this, so I am looking for as many residents as possible to write or call in support of continuing through the summer. Support from all residents of MB is helpful, but particularly residents who live in or near Downtown are needed to demonstrate that not everyone in that area opposes it.

In addition, we are currently exploring permanent outdoor dining, but with much stricter building and size guidelines, so I will likely be coming back in the next few months to ask for your support in that effort, as well.

Just one or two sentences with your name, how long you have lived in MB and why you would like to have outdoor dining extended through the summer is perfect. Please send to this address, which goes to all of City Council and the City Manager.



[citycouncil@citymb.info](mailto:citycouncil@citymb.info)

Feel free to forward this to anyone you think might be interested in helping. Thank you so much—please let me know if you have any questions!!



**Jill Lamkin**

Executive Director, Downtown Manhattan Beach Business + Professional Association

PHONE 310-379-9901 | CELL 310-261-5555 | [jill@downtownmanhattanbeach.com](mailto:jill@downtownmanhattanbeach.com)

[www.downtownmanhattanbeach.com](http://www.downtownmanhattanbeach.com)



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lisa Taub <lisamtaub@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:43 PM  
**To:** List - City Council

Dear City Council:

As you know, City Council members are tasked with the following:

- supporting the interests of the entire city
- not pushing their personal agendas
- uniting the city and moving it forward

Using voting data supplied by Mayor Hadley, it is painfully obvious that the no-confidence vote in George Gascon is an issue that only about half of the voters in Manhattan Beach support.

If you look at the total voters from Manhattan Beach:

- 45% supported Lacey
- 37% supported Gascon
- 18% didn't vote at all on DA

If you look at just the votes for DA:

- 55% supported Lacey
- 45% supported Gascon

Regardless of how you slice it, a significant portion of our community either supported Gascon or did not support either candidate.

By Mayor Hadley & Councilman Montgomery bringing this issue against Gascon up for a vote, when more than half of our city did not vote for Gascon's opponent, completely goes against the role that each City Council member promised to perform when they were being elected. All it will do is create division, which is exactly what we are seeing on social media, etc.

If our City Council truly wants to support the interests of our ENTIRE city, not push their personal agenda, and unite our city to move forward, you must table this issue. It should never have been put on the agenda and if you continue with the vote, you will be responsible for lighting another fire of division in our town.

Sincerely,

Lisa Taub

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**From:** Mariel Van den Hengel Waller <marielwaller6@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:41 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] voting on Gascon?

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Dear City Council:

The City Council mission is:

Our mission is to provide excellent municipal services, preserve our small beach town character, and enhance the quality of life for our residents, businesses and visitors.

By Mayor Hadley & Councilman Montgomery bringing this issue of the “**Resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon**” up for a vote, it completely goes against the role that each City Council member promised to perform when they were being elected. All it will do is create division, which is exactly what we are seeing on social media, etc.

If our City Council truly wants to support the interests of our ENTIRE city, not push their personal agenda, and unite our city to move forward, you must table this issue. It should never have been put on the agenda and if you continue with the vote, you will be responsible for lighting another fire of division in our town.

Sincerely,

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Mariel Waller  
[marielwaller6@gmail.com](mailto:marielwaller6@gmail.com)  
310 738 6480

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lynne Davis <ldavis@imclawinc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:35 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of Outdoor Dining

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Hello! We are very much in support of continuing the current downtown dining configurations in Manhattan Beach. It is vital for restaurants to get back on their feet, and, frankly, it is a fabulous addition to our beach town. We would be in support of permanent outdoor dining. It is a wonderful option - as well as the safe one! While we are heading in all of the right directions on COVID, we are not out of the woods completely, and outdoor activities - including outdoor dining - is still the safer option than indoor activities (dining).

Thanks so much!  
Lynne & Dave Davis

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tina Melton Testa <tmtesta@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:31 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hello,

I think the outdoor dining is a special and welcome addition for our neighborhood, as well as for those visiting our charming town from out of the area. It's beautiful, fun, and adds an extra special ambiance to our picturesque downtown. Furthermore, the restaurants need the extra funds to off set their enormous pandemic losses. The beauty of our town is the small, community type feel and now more than ever, our downtown restaurants and businesses need our support. Outdoor dining should have always been here and certainly now should be a fixture in our town. Most enchanting cities across the world offer outdoor dining and we must continue to do so, as well. Without this, we will lose the charm and the local restaurants won't be able to afford to stay here..

Thank you for supporting this important cause. Please keep outdoor dining in Manhattan Beach.

Warmly,  
Tina Testa  
1820 John Street  
Manhattan Beach

21 year resident/homeowner of Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Stephen Testa <swtesta@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:28 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Outdoor Dining

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Manhattan Beach City Council and City Manager -

I would like to voice my very strong support for the continuation of outdoor dining in Manhattan Beach. I have lived in MB for over 20 years, and have always enjoyed going out in the downtown area. We have tried to support local businesses as much as possible, and would rather dine and socialize locally than heading to other areas such as Santa Monica or Beverly Hills.

Please vote in favor of continuing the current structure of outdoor dining as long as possible. Thank you.

Regards,

Stephen Testa  
1820 John St.  
917.864.2462

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jenny Brearton <jobbrearton79@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:26 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining...

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Hello! My name is Jenny Brearton and I live on 10th street near downtown MB. I have loved so much the outdoor dining experience you have allowed during this crazy covid time. It has been a breath of fresh air (literally and figuratively) to see these familiar, community-beloved restaurants thriving. Please allow them to continue to flourish and make up for so much lost during this past year.

Thanks so much!  
Jenny Brearton

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Jacqueline Zuanich-Ferrell <jzuanichferrell@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:21 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MB Position on Recall of George Gascon

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We wholeheartedly support the future recall of Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon and will be signing the petition now that it is available. Gascon's directives promote the reducing of sentences for murderers and violent criminals, or not prosecuting violent crime altogether. Unlike previous DAs, he does not allow prosecutors to accompany crime victims to parole hearings. Let's keep Manhattan Beach as safe as possible.

Jacqueline Zuanich-Ferrell  
Joe Ferrell

1018 Duncan Avenue



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Judi Alves <judi.alves@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:20 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of No Confidence in DA Gascon

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Dear Council Members,

I am writing to you, as a resident of Manhattan Beach, to express my support for the proposed resolution of No Confidence in District Attorney *George Gascon*.

*George Gascon's* policies are a disaster. I truly believe he cares more about criminal rights than victims rights and his radical policies will put thousands of criminals back on the streets much sooner than they would have under policies that preceded his election to the position of DA. Our streets are dangerous enough without this happening. Crime is up and will get worse.

Thanks for listening.

Sincerely,

Judith Alves

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tina Sarafa <tpsarafa@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:18 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello

I think the outdoor dining is a special treat for our neighborhood, tourists to the beach and family/ visitors from out of town. It's beautiful, fun, and adds an extra special ambiance. Further the restaurants need the extra funds to off set pandemic losses. Outdoor dining should have always been here and certainly now should forever stay. Most enchanting cities across the country offer this and we must continue to do so.

Thank you

Tina Sarafa

25 year resident

821 Highview Ave MB

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Rita Moorman <rmoorman@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:16 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Downtown Outdoor dining

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Dear Council,

It seems the council is considering extending the outdoor dining for downtown businesses through the summer. I wholeheartedly support this action. Our restaurants have been so impacted and even though restrictions are easing they are still all in a large hole financially and the out door dining gives them increased capacity and a chance to re coup some of their losses.

it is also a totally enjoyable experience. They have all put in a lot of money and effort into their outdoor spaces and with our usually good weather becoming even better as we go into the summer they should be allowed to continue thru at least September. I know there are some residents downtown who are not in favor. I am a 26 year walk street resident on the outskiirts of downtown and I love having the outdoor dining. the sad reality is that if you bought property downtown you had to know you were on the edge of the downtown businesses and if that presents a problem you shouldnt have bought property there. Likewise, I like on a walk street and if I dont like my neighbors on top of me at times and here noise from the street then I should have bought in the trees or hill section. Everything has its pros and cons.

Everyone I know or talk to loves the outdoor dining so lets let it continue!

Best, Rita Moorman MD  
26 year walk street resident  
337 6 Th St.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tiffany Levy <tiffany@trlevy.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:15 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Dear MB City Council,

My name is Tiffany Levy and I have lived in Manhattan beach for almost 9 years. I am in complete support if extending outdoor dining through the summer. We have a great little beach town and being able to enjoy, good food, good friends and to look at the ocean. What more could you ask for? Also, with indoor dining opening up, the outdoor space gives our small local restaurant more seating and brings in more money. Win for the restaurant and for the customers.

Thank you,  
Tiffany Levy  
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**From:** Sandy Quigley <sandyshepley@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:14 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dijibh

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To whom it may concern-

Please keep our outdoor dining!!

I live on Marine Ave by Highland and all our neighbors love the outdoor dining!

I have lived here 10 years and it's the best thing the city has ever done!

Please keep outdoor dining area!!

Thank you

Sandy Quigley  
310.755.5076

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info on behalf of City of Manhattan Beach  
<CityOfManhattanBeach@citymb.info>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:12 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence in George Gasocn

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

**Site Visitor Name:** Randy Tendoesschate  
**Site Visitor Email:** rtendy@gmail.com

Dear Council Members:

I am writing to urge the city council to issue a vote of "no confidence" in Los Angeles District Attorney, George Gascon. His unilateral imposition of policies not supported by the majority of voters in L.A. has led to an increase in both property and violent crime in Manhattan Beach and the rest of Los Angeles County. Having lived in San Francisco for over a decade, I can speak first hand to the perils of allowing D.A. Gascon's vision of justice to take hold. Those who break the law need to be held to account. Gascon clearly favor the rights of criminals over those who abide by the law.



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**From:** Joanne Hunter <joannebhunter@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:09 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I want to put my two cents in on this topic. I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 29 years and have never seen our downtown as vibrant as it is with the outdoor dining! Besides helping the restaurants recover from a very tough year, I think our outdoor dining is extremely popular with those local and from afar and hope we can continue it at least thru the summer. Thank you for your consideration.

*Joanne Hunter*  
**310-292-2483**

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Larry Zimbalist <larryzimbalist@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:07 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Pro Outdoor Dining

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Council,

My family have lived in Manhatttan Beach for over fourteen years. We firmly support outdoor dining and believe it adds to the quality of life here in Manhatttan Beach.

Thank you for your consideration.

The Zimbalist Family

Sent from my iPhone



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gary McAulay <gary.mcaulay@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:07 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 21-0140 "Vote of No Confidence" in George Gascón

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Hello Council

I support the proposed council Resolution Expressing a "Vote of No Confidence" in Los Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascón.

From Prop 47 to early releases to hamstringing DDAs, Gascón's actions as LA County DA are driving up crime and making citizens less safe. His reform efforts have exceeded his authority, resulting in opposition from police departments and police associations, from city councils, and from his own deputy district attorneys.

While the DA is a County position, it is very much a local issue. As noted in the staff report, "The Los Angeles District Attorney's Office prosecutes felony crimes and misdemeanor crimes in unincorporated areas and in 78 of the county's 88 cities, including the City of Manhattan Beach." Obviously, the County DA's policies and decisions have a direct impact on crime rates and public safety in Manhattan Beach.

I urge all council members to vote in favor of this resolution.

Respectfully,  
Gary D. McAulay

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**From:** Lisa Wehrly <lisa@wedgewood-inc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:05 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] in support of outdoor dining in MB

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council,

I would like to support continued outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach. It provides charming ambiance to our town, and my husband and I enjoy walking into town and having many lovely options in which to dine al fresco. We have lived close to downtown MB for over 20 years, have watched the town change, and love the new outdoor dining options.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best,

Lisa Wehrly  
112 The Strand (2013 – present)  
Manhattan Beach

416 2<sup>nd</sup> Street (2006 – 2013)  
513 2<sup>nd</sup> Street (1999 – 2006)

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**From:** Tara Sorensen <tara\_sorensen@apple.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:03 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I Support Outdoor Dining!

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My name is Tara Sorensen. I live in Manhattan Beach and have for the last 16 years. The last year has been difficult on all of us, but especially downtown local businesses. Our first indicator that the world (and our community) began the healing process was seeing neighbors and friends enjoying themselves (and patronizing local businesses!) at any of MB's dining establishments. It was also a lovely reminder, of what drew us to Manhattan Beach to initially - a quaint, beach community that was a great place to raise a family. Please extend outdoor dining through the summer! As our community has grown and encouraged visitors, it has been quite clear to me, they are not accustomed to speed limits and seem to think stop signs are optional. Anything we can do to keep street traffic to a minimum (OUTDOOR DINING) preserves our ability to keep downtown safe for pedestrians.

437 30th St. MB, CA 90266

All best,  
Tara Sorensen

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**From:** Anna Moore <anna\_in\_la2003@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:02 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining,

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City Council members,

I am a long-time resident (over 23 years) and am in support of extending outdoor dining downtown through the summer. It is a great way to support our local businesses! My family really enjoys the festive ambience and fresh air.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Anna Moore

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** christina stargardter <cstargardter@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:02 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Yes, in favor of extending outdoor dining through summer, excellent idea. Residents since the 90's. Thank you.

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**From:** Rebecca Gendron <beccagendron@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:00 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing this email to address my concern about keeping outdoor dining open through the summer in downtown Manhattan Beach. I've lived here for 15 years and my husband and I frequent the restaurants for meals out.

Although we are both fully vaccinated I am not ready to eat indoors yet and looking at the next few months I will only be eating at the local restaurants if outdoor dining is available. Additionally, I think everyone enjoys the outdoor dining atmosphere as it is reminiscent of Europe and just brings an added flair to our town especially during summer. Lastly, I think it's important for the restaurants to have as much business as they possibly can after everything they've gone through during the pandemic. Please keep outdoor dining available as long as possible

Thank you for your time,

Rebecca Kelliey

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**From:** Marlo Vandemore <mavandemore3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:59 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Outdoor Dining

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Hello,

We have lived in Manhattan Beach (Hill Section ) for 6 years and we love the outdoor dining areas put up in the downtown area. It makes MB feel like a quaint European town. Please consider extending through the summer and let's give our businesses a chance to make up for the last year+ in lost revenue - I do not want to see any more places going out of business.

Thank you ,

Marlo Vandemore

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**From:** KAREN ARENSDORF <mbbarn@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:58 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I strongly support outdoor dining in Manhattan beach. I have lived in this city for 21 years in the tree section, and I have enjoyed the outdoor dining experience over the last few months.

Thank you,

Karen Arensdorf  
562 30th st, MB

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**From:** Douglas Wolfe <dougandlouise@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:56 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] VONC - George Gascon

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City Council - we strongly encourage a VOTE ON NO CONFIDENCE IN GEORGE GASCON on May 18.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this very important issue.

Louise White  
1621 Curtis Ave., MB 90266

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Jimhunter <jimhuntermb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:54 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I would like to thank the Council for providing the restaurants in MB an opportunity to survive during this past year. Without your concern and foresight, many would not have survived, including our restaurant. Please extend the current outdoor dining until at least Sept. 30. We need a good summer revenue stream to help bring us and all merchants back from the abyss. Thank you for your continued support. Sincerely, Jim Hunter, co-owner of The Strand House

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**From:** Nina Tarnay <ninatarnay@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:54 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Dear Esteemed Council Members,

I have been a resident of MB for 20 years and currently live with my husband and three children in the sand section.

I am writing in support of extending outdoor dining at least through the end of the calendar year. Covid-19 has been devastating for so many in our community. It's been amazing to watch our community come together to support one another and be able to make the necessary adjustments to get through these difficult times. Our businesses have been at the forefront of rallying to support our community, despite their own struggles to stay in business. Unfortunately, we've lost a few businesses this past year due to the economic burdens they've had to shoulder. Those that are fortunate enough to still be operating are struggling to make up for the lost revenues (some dipping into savings and deeper debt). It's been wonderful to see our restaurants pivot and make lemonade out of lemons. They've managed to create vibrant and welcoming outdoor dining spaces, providing safe social spaces during dark days. I urge all of you to support the extension of outdoor dining until the pandemic is clearly over. We've all seen how quickly things can turn for the worse. It's imperative that we keep these spaces open in the event things take a downturn again. The restaurants have supported our community throughout the pandemic. I hope we can reciprocate and support them at this juncture. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best,  
Nina  
(310) 918-1029

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**From:** Donna Sechrist Hughes <sechristhughes@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:53 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Keep outdoor dining

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Hello,

I have been a resident of Manhattan Beach for 14 years and I respectfully request that the outdoor dining decks continue indefinitely. I love our little town and the outdoor dining only increases the appeal. Many of us will continue to feel safer eating outdoors long after we hit Covid herd immunity, and we have so many wonderful restaurants that we want to continue supporting in this way.

Thank you,  
Donna Hughes

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**From:** Nicole Shepley <nshepley@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:50 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please KEEP outdoor dining open.

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Hello, my name is Nicole Shepley- 588 36th St. MB. I am writing to encourage you to keep our downtown outdoor dining open through the summer. Our businesses need this as they struggle to regain what they have lost due to Covid. Our community needs this, as we start to slowly gather safely after more than a year of not being able to do so. Please vote YES to keep our outdoor dining venues OPEN!

Thank you,  
Nicole Shepley

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**From:** Cathy Hobart <cathyhobart@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:50 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City Council,

I've lived in Manhattan Beach since 1999 and have always wanted to see our town have more dining outdoors. Please continue with the outdoor dining that we currently have for the summer and find a way to make it a permanent option. Such a great way to really enjoy our town.

Thank you!  
Cathy Hobart

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**From:** Tracy Chaney <tracychaney@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:42 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] In FAVOR OF Outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach

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Hello City Council members,

I'm writing this email in FAVOR of extending outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach for the summer. I have been a resident here for over 10 years and I love this town! My family & friends have very much enjoyed the new outdoor dining spaces as well. We have dinner downtown at least twice a week & every time we do, we comment on how lucky we are to live in such a beautiful city and have the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors while supporting our local community's restaurants - many of whom have been significantly impacted by the shut-downs due to Covid. Extending the outdoor dining through the summer would provide the residents and visitors the wonderful opportunity to enjoy the weather, soak up the sun and support our very special local restaurants & shops downtown. It will also continue to provide many jobs for our hospitality and service workers in Manhattan Beach - they have taken such a huge hit to their ability to support themselves and their families due to the severe restrictions placed on our restaurants during the pandemic. The outdoor dining scene in downtown Manhattan Beach has been a welcome addition to our amazing city and we hope you will agree & extend it over the summer (and beyond).

Thank you for all you do to make Manhattan Beach a fantastic place to live & enjoy life.

Respectfully,

Tracy Chaney

1417 Manhattan Beach Blvd, MB, CA 90266

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**From:** Gregory, Heath <heath@baroneq.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:30 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; Mandy Gregory  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Support

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Dear Council and Manager Moe,

My wife and I have been residents of Manhattan Beach for close to 23 years. With our family, we are co-owners of The Strand House and recognize how essential the outdoor dining has been to health of our business over this past year. We are fortunate to live in a perfect climate and a location that allows us to maximize the experience of being at the beach. You are seeing, what we have known for years, people love outdoor dining and we are fortunate to be able to provide it. Thank you for your support to help make it happen over this past year. Please vote to extend the outdoor dining experience through the summer and hopefully thereafter.

All the Best,  
Heath and Mandy Gregory



Heath Gregory  
Chairman & CEO  
310.795.5581 cell  
310.683.0466 office  
heath@baroneq.com



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**From:** Rita Moorman <rmoorman@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:29 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of No confidence for George Gascon

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Dear Council,

I realized that the Council will be considering a Vote of No Confidence regarding George Gascon tomorrow evening. I would like to add my support for such a vote. Other cities in LA county similar to Manhattan Beach have already adopted such a resolution as I am sure you are aware. Mr Gascon is fostering an atmosphere of crime where criminals know they can commit crimes as their is no punishment and they are doing so within hours of being arrested. The career prosecutors who work for Mr. Gascon have no confidence in him.

There are laws in place and elected officials cannot just ignore them because they have an agenda.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rita Moorman MD

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**From:** Michelle Franz <michelle@findingsinc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:27 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City Council Manager and Members,

My name is Michelle Franz and I have been a home owner in MB since 2006, living in the Tree Section. We love Manhattan Beach and are deeply grateful for the community and the life we have enjoyed here raising our two children. The pandemic has brought so much stress and misfortune to so many in the area but the one very positive thing that has come from it all is, outdoor dining. And even though the vaccine is rolling out, it still feels much more comfortable (safer) to dine outdoors than inside while the dust settles from this pandemic. Living in a beach community feels natural to outdoor dining and I truly hope you will continue to make it happen not only throughout the rest of summer, but forever.

Thank you for your consideration.

All my best,  
Michelle

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**From:** Claudia Schloss <claudiasmb@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hello City Council members,

I heard that there will be a vote tomorrow to keep or eliminate outdoor dining. I have lived in MB at the same address since October 2002, and I've always wondered why the city doesn't develop or incentivize more outdoor dining. This outdoor dining development has been the one bright spot of Covid, and we really do hope it continues permanently, if not in its entirety than partially somehow. Besides being nice for the patrons, the aesthetics of the outdoor space has really beautified the city. Each restaurant has done a fantastic job with the outdoor space and it's been a real treat to walk around and just enjoy the space. Walking around town has become one of my happy activities due entirely because of the outdoor dining spaces created by the restaurants. Please don't take my happy place away!

Many thanks for all that you do for our city,  
Claudia Schloss  
Tree section resident since 2002

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**From:** Marianne Turner <marianneturner@daviselen.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MB Outdoor Dining

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Hello, I've been in Manhattan Beach for 18 years and the outdoor dining has been a blessing. Please keep the outdoor dining going! Thanks.

Marianne Turner | SVP, ACCOUNT DIRECTOR | [de](#) | 865 S. Figueroa St. 12th Fl, Los Angeles, CA 90017 | p: 213.688.7113 | c: 213.324.4672 | [daviselen.com](http://daviselen.com)

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**From:** Chrissie Clay <chrissieclay@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:18 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please continue outdoor dining

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Hello Council Members.

We love the safety and ambiance/vibe the current outdoor dining set ups provide and would love to see those continue through the summer and/or fall.

Thank you!  
Chrissie & Harrison Clay  
649 29th Street, MB

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**From:** Hilary Mahan <hilarymahan@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:18 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Rob Mahan  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Extend Outdoor Dining Please

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Dear Honorable Council Members –

This past year and a half has costs us each dearly, some more than others. We are so fortunate to live in a community that has been able to pivot frequently with the changing protocols, and take advantage of the weather and resources to ensure our local businesses and restaurants thrive.

The introduction of outdoor dining is a brilliant example of this. To see our community come alive once again brings our family great joy! We live in the walkstreets of downtown and not only enjoy walking to town to dine ourselves, but we welcome our hill section neighbors and visitors who come to town to enjoy our beautiful town.

Please vote to extend this option to ensure that the success of our city continues and we all can enjoy the outdoor dining through summer.

Thank you,

Hilary and Rob Mahan

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**From:** Angela Bennett <angelahbennett@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:10 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Love the outdoor dining!

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Hi Awesome MB City Council,  
Please let us keep this outdoor dining! It is the only good thing that came out of covid!  
Angela Bennett

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**From:** marlene oconnor <marleneoc33@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:10 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I am Writing today to voice my support of the outdoor dining extension.

It has not only been a lifeline for restaurants in our town, but also a community building asset. With the opening of the outdoor dining experience, downtown has become so inviting to residents as well as visitors.

Before the pandemic, outdoor dining options were minimal. This has brought to the table the need for this option permanently.

I hope the council will consider extending the outdoor patios.

Thanks you  
Marlene O'Connor

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**From:** Patrice Harmon <patriceharmonnl@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:08 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Continue Outdoor Dining throughout summer

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Dear City Council,

I am writing to you to request to extend outdoor dining throughout the summer of 2021. I am a 21 year resident of Manhattan Beach, but growing up in Europe I have always wondered why we did not have more seating outside. This has been one of the silver linings of the pandemic for us, and we would love to see it extended.

Best regards,  
Patrice Harmon

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**From:** Christy Barnes <Christy@btglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:05 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] PLEASE KEEP OUTDOOR DINING

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Dear City Council,

I have heard that you will be voting tomorrow evening on whether or not to continue with outdoor seating for the remainder of the summer.

I am a HUGE supporter of keeping the outdoor dining, not just through the summer months but year-round.

The small business restaurants would greatly benefit from these extra tables, making up for the shut down in 2020.

I have been a Manhattan Beach resident for 15 years; I live in the tree section on 31<sup>st</sup>; and we OFTEN walk or bike (not drive) to the local restaurants; I am from a small town so my life long motto has always been to support local. Please allow these restaurants to maintain their outdoor seating! We live at the beach; we are an outdoor community, you can make this happen!

Thank you for your consideration of keeping outdoor dining allowed!

Cheers,

Christy Barnes  
MB Resident  
310-774-7823

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**From:** Betsey Keely <betseygkeely@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 3:04 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** ICE Martin Keely  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City of MB,

We ask that you please vote in favor of keeping outdoor dining in our town. It adds tremendous vitality and positive energy to our town, and allows our business a much needed chance to employ more people in the midst of the pandemic.

Betsey and Martin Keely  
7 year residents of Manhattan Beach

Betsey Keely  
917-297-2670

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**From:** Chris Crosby <chris.crosby@buckinghaminvestments.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Through Labor Day

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Hello,

I am for outdoor dining through labor day.

Best,  
Chris

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**Christopher Crosby**

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**From:** Rosanna Libertucci - outlook email <househuntsobay@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 2:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please vote NO CONFIDENCE in George Gascon

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We desperately need a DA that promotes policies that make our community safe and is supportive of our law enforcement. Gascon does neither and needs to be forced out.

Thank you,

**Rosanna Libertucci**

[310.600.1662](tel:310.600.1662)

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**From:** Rehana Zamfotis <rzamfotis@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 2:12 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please don't get rid of outdoor dining downtown!

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Please do not remove the outdoor dining option downtown! Until we are well past this pandemic, it just feels safer—especially when I dine downtown with my young kids who cannot be vaccinated yet.

We have such amazing weather here in CA, al fresco dining is a great addition to our community. I had dinner at Arthur Js on Saturday day night, it was lovely to sit outside, and we had no problem finding a parking spot (if that is of concern). I think the overall experience of dining outdoors is superior to indoor dining; I truly hope this becomes permanent.

Thank you,  
Rehana Zamfotis

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**From:** walt zipperman <waltzip@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 2:09 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Keep out door dining

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As a 40 yr resident of MB, my wife and I are delighted with outdoor Parklets dining areas and we would love to see this as a permanent solution. The additional seating allows more people to get reservations, which should make everyone happy.

Walt Zipperman  
828 1<sup>st</sup> Street  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Cell Phone 310-650-0499

Please ignore any spellings errors as they may occur from time to time

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**From:** Rich Weiss <Rich\_Weiss@americancentury.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 1:59 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining in MB !!!!!

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I want to express my enthusiastic support for continuing outdoor dining in downtown MB. It's great for locals and visitors alike.

Rich Weiss  
310-970-2346

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**From:** Andy Zamfotis <azamfotis@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 1:41 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining - please keep it

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I understand that there is some consideration about removing the outdoor dining that many of our local restaurants have installed. I would appreciate that until a more thorough plan is established re: outdoor dining, that you all all restaurants to keep the outdoor deck areas. The other night we went to Arthur J and purposely requested outdoor seating. Until we are well past this pandemic, it just feels safer. Notwithstanding the fact that dining outside when we are so fortunate to have this weather is a better experience. We had no missed finding parking if the removal of certain spaces was a concern. If anything, we will likely end up using uber more once we feel safe to do so which is also safer. So while my family currently doesn't feel safe eating inside a restaurant (where masks are generally not being used), I think the overall experience of dining outdoor is so superior to indoor dining that I hope this becomes permanent.

Thank you for your time,

Andy Zamfotis

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** KATHI COLLIGAN <pandkcolligan@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 1:20 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon - vote of no confidence

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Manhattan Beach City Council,

I support the Council's Resolution expressing NO CONFIDENCE in District Attorney George Gascon.

George Gascon's policies are placing the safety of the public at risk.

Thank you,  
Kathi Colligan  
30 year resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Perry Colligan <pcolligan1957@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 1:05 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of No Confidence

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Members of Manhattan Beach City Council:

I support a vote of no confidence in George Gascon and his unilateral policies that place the safety of the public at risk. His “criminals are victims, victims are criminals” approach is contrary to common sense and decency. He trashed the great city of San Francisco so much so that, even in that extremely liberal environment, he couldn’t maintain political support.

We have laws in this state, some of which we voted on in the most recent election, that he is completely ignoring. He is trying to unilaterally create and enforce his own law, violating the oath of office he took to enforce the laws of the State of California. He needs to be stopped now. Please take action in the form of a vote of no confidence so we can stop the madness.

Thank you for your consideration.

Perry Colligan

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Rod Stoddard <rodstoddard@me.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:58 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hi Council,

It's my understanding that you will be discussing outdoor dining in tomorrow's meeting. I'm writing in to let you all know of my support for it. I think it's a wonderful addition to our town that, some form of, should remain permanent. The outdoor, great weather, great view, is what makes our town special, and it's wonderful to be able to truly experience that. Outdoor dining has been one of the things our town has lacked. As an anecdote, whenever clients come from out of town and I want to take them to a nice, outdoor dinner so they can see what they are missing, I usually have to take them up Marina Del Rey/Santa Monica. Now I can take them here!

I think it enhances the outdoor shopping experience and makes our town feel more fun and vibrant. Long term, i think we should have a shuttle that takes people in from a parking lot outside the main area (the high school), that would also people to park there and easily get into town, relieving the parking and traffic congestion.

Thanks,

Rod Stoddard

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** robertbush dslextreme.com <robertbush@dslextreme.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:38 PM  
**To:** robertbush @dslextreme.com  
**Cc:** robertbush @dslextreme.com; Steve Napolitano; Richard Montgomery; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Joe Franklin; Bruce Moe; Quinn Barrow; List - City Council; mmatthews; jfenton; jboxer; cgraves; jcochran; speel  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon - Vote of No Confidence

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## **George Gascon – Vote of No Confidence**

**by Robert Bush**

**BR May 13, 2021 County DA recall discussion Mark Burton**

**Former Mayor Mark Burton states “If Manhattan Beach City Council votes to support the recall of LA County District Attorney George Gascon - position that would represent our entire community, just seems unfair, partisan and purely political.”**

**“Supporters of MBPD” are not asking for a “Recall”, but are considering a “Vote of No confidence” for LA County District Attorney George**

**The following cities have or will consider a vote of no confidence in George Gascon.**

**La Verne**

**Rancho Palos Verdes**

<b>Lancaster</b>	<b>Beverly hills</b>
<b>Azusa</b>	<b>Santa Clarita</b>
<b>Arcadia</b>	<b>Pico Rivera</b>
<b>Lakewood</b>	<b>Glendora</b>
<b>Covina</b>	<b>Diamond Bar</b>
<b>La Mirada</b>	<b>Rosemead</b>
<b>Whittier</b>	<b>Palmdale</b>

**The vote of no confidence stems from controversy over the unilateral enactment of policies and directives by George Gascon:**

**Elimination of cash bail for misdemeanors, non-serious/non-violent felony offenses.**

**Dismissing misdemeanor charges before arraignment, including trespassing, public intoxication, driving on a suspended license, resisting arrest, loitering to commit prostitution, possession of drug paraphernalia and others.**

**The elimination of sentencing enhancements for gang affiliation or firearms-related allegations.**

## **County DA recall discussion**

**It would be unprecedented, and pure folly, if the Manhattan Beach City Council votes to support the recall of LA County District Attorney George Gascon. At a time when our community needs to unite, such action will only result in further divisiveness and partisanship. I think we have had enough of both.**

**With the constant barrage of negative publicity our city has received in regards to the Bruce's Beach matter, just imagine what will happen if the council votes to support the recall of the District Attorney? Talk about incredibly bad timing. Yuck!**

**If a councilmember feels so strongly about supporting such a recall, then they should do so in their individual capacity only. To ask for a council vote to take an official position, a position that would represent our entire community, just seems unfair, partisan and purely political.**

**Yes, I know some are unhappy with the District Attorney and his proposed changes—changes he ran on. And, as registered voters, MB residents can sign a petition to recall.**

**If the council truly wants to keep us safer, then hire the two more police officers the chief requested in the proposed budget last year. We all know that a police presence is the most effective way to “prevent and deter” crime. It’s obvious to all that crime will likely rise in the coming years. The time to hire more police is now, not later. After all, failing to prepare is preparing to fail.**

***—Mark Burton, Manhattan Beach***



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** rick buchta <rbuchta@rbrcap.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:36 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor

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The positive aspect in this pandemic has been the introduction of outdoor dining . MB. now aligns with the rest of the world . Having outdoor meals with friends and family is what life is about . Please make this permeant .

Rick Buchta  
403 8th street  
Mb

TY

Rick Buchta  
First Break Academy, CEO  
310-493-9195  
[www.firstbreakacademy.com](http://www.firstbreakacademy.com)

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Debby Arnold <debbyjarnold@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:34 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Richard Montgomery  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council

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As a 40 yr resident of MB, my husband and I are delighted with outdoor Parklets dining areas and would love to see this as a permanent solution. The additional seating allows more people to get reservations, which should make everyone happy.

Debby Arnold

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ken Deemer <ken@growthleaders.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:27 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council

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Sirs and Madames:

I strongly support continuation of the dining parklets through the end of the year, if not longer. I would also welcome dedicating one Saturday per month where all downtown streets are closed to traffic for shopping and dining

Ken Deemer



KEN DEEMER  
MANAGING PARTNER

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mandy DiMiero <mandyd@skechers.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:08 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Decks

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Dear City Council,

The decks throughout Manhattan Beach have provided amazing & much needed opportunity for the community to enjoy our fine restaurants outdoor. Please also note that just because life is somewhat getting back to normal—our restaurants had months of forced closures and were completely shut down. I am a homeowner in MB & a VP at Skechers Corporate. I am also married to Chase Kern, owner of Bespoke by Chase, a small retail business on Manhattan Ave. I believe that the lure of the outdoor dining is even bringing more people thru town and retail stores are benefitting. The pandemic has taught us all how to pivot and there are things that will never go back to the way they used to be—for the better, these decks being a perfect example of that. I urge you to please keep these amazing outdoor decks, they are benefitting our special community.

Thanks you,  
Mandy DiMiero

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Joe Arnao <joe@precisionpost.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 11:05 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence on the DA

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I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. Stop supporting the false position that this DAs policies are born from overriding systemic racism and oppression. This is about public safety and property protection, not to mention common sense. Allowing crime and blight to enter our neighborhoods will only a make it look like San Francisco, Venice beach and other areas of LA where we have allowed failed policies and crime to overrule taxpayers and basic common sense. Use your logical brains and dump the pandering political nonsense that will ruin our cities. Get Gascon out!

Joseph Arnao

(310) 839-4600 BUS  
(310) 892-5684 CEL

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** CHRIS PLANK <chrisplank@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 10:48 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence in George Gascon

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I emphatically SUPPORT the proposed resolution of No Confidence in District Attorney George Gascon (Item no. 13 on Council's agenda under K. General Business).

Chris Plank

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mina Arnao <minaarnao@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:36 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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Dear MB City Council,

I support the following resolution which is on tomorrow's meeting agenda:

21-0140 Consideration of Resolution Expressing a "Vote of No Confidence" in Los Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascón (City Manager Moe). CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 21-0042

Voting this man in was a huge mistake for Los Angeles and we must do something now. Please vote yes to support this.

Mina Arnao

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Phillip Cook <phillip@cookandassoc.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:20 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for a resolution of no-confidence in Gascon

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Honorable City Council Members,

As a concerned resident and business owner in Manhattan Beach, I fully support the city council passing a resolution expressing NO confidence in LA County's District Attorney, George Gascon. On Saturday, I listened to Steve Cooley (voted in as LA County District Attorney 3 times) speak for about 1 hour about how Mr. Gascon has eviscerated LA County's District Attorney's office with soft on crime policies. Mr. Cooley said that those with the strongest voice for recalling Mr. Gascon are victims of crimes that go unpunished or get a slap on the hand. Mr. Gascon will not allow any of the department's attorneys to attend parole hearings. While the criminal gets legal representation (paid for by the state unless the inmate waives in favor of their own attorney) at a parole board hearing, the victims get none unless they can afford to hire their own.

Based on actions Mr. Gascon has taken as a District Attorney in other cities and his actions since being elected the District Attorney for Los Angeles, the Manhattan Beach city council should join other cities and pass a resolution of no-confidence in Mr. Gascon as the District Attorney for Los Angeles County.

Imagine how disheartening soft on crime policies are to the men and women risking their lives every day to protect law abiding citizens.

Phil  
Phillip Cook  
128 2<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

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**From:** annkuhns@verizon.net  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 9:17 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council

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Hello, I've lived in Manhattan Beach since 1961.

If you are planning on voting re: George Gascon

- I am not in favor of City Council trying to undo the will of the voters or speak for the voters.
- I am not in favor of recall efforts.
- I voted for George Gascon because I am in favor of Criminal Justice Reform. Please give him a chance to do what he was elected to do.

Thank you, Ann Kuhns

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Scott C. Chambers <mbchambers4@roadrunner.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 8:13 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I Support a vote of no confidence.

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Dear Mayor and city council as a 30 year resident it is clear that the crime is on the rise. So I support a vote of “no confidence” in Gascon.

Regards,  
Scott C. Chambers

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Maureen Leral-Denitz <modenitz@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:42 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support a "no confidence" in Gascon

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Dear City Council

I SUPPORT the resolution of a NO CONFIDENCE vote to the Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon.

Regards

Maureen Denitz

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gary Osterhout <garyosterhout@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 7:18 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Park Maintenance - Par Course-Area Sidewalks  
**Attachments:** Par course sidewalk.JPG

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Dear Councilmembers of Shabbytown:

Please reference the attached photo. This is a photo of the sidewalk next to the Mariposa area par course, taken Sunday, 5/9. You can see that same/worse condition today. Obviously the sidewalk and par course area haven't been properly swept/cleared for weeks.

Yet you were told at Tuesday's budget session that maintenance is going to be increased from once per week to twice per week. Yet maintenance doesn't seem to be occurring at all. And this, after I brought the other Parkway "Wave" area sidewalk maintenance problem to your attention.

From what I can tell from the way this area is being maintained, is that our parks are now not only being intentionally ignored once a week, but instead are now going to be intentionally ignored twice a week.

And, again, you make your judgement as to whether the chip trail surface needs attention from the person who ignores this mess.

How are you taking any pride in this?

Thank you for your consideration,

Gary Osterhout

From the 5/11/21 budget meeting:

We cut over 200,000 and that was for for fields parks and street medians. - because the use of the park has returned significantly, we're reinstagt portion of the budget to bring the fields back to a usable condition as well as increase maintenance frequency from twice a week to once a week again. That's the 164,000 that we're proposing to add basket in. With that, that concludes the summary of public works. Thank you.  
>> terrific. Thank you director ty.



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** denise berger <dberger710@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:38 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Tuesday Night's Council Meeting "No Confidence" Vote

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Dear City Council Members, you are barking up the wrong tree in having a vote against Gascon in your docket, and I stand united with others in our community that this motion needs to be put down and put away.

- *This is a partisan issue and City Council is supposed to be non-partisan*
- *This request appears driven by City Council members to promote a partisan agenda, and not a request of our local MBPD*
- *This resolution in in NO WAY impacts or improves life in Manhattan Beach*
- *It is an inappropriate use of our community's time and resources to discuss this resolution*
- *A vote of no confidence for a DA who calls for police accountability and tracking of misconduct is the same as a vote against police accountability*
- *Making a vote that is in opposition to LA County, in the wake of the Council's refusal to issue a Bruce's Beach Apology, while the county voted to return the land to the Bruce family, perpetuates MB's reputation as an entitled (and racist) community that continues to operate in conflict with LA County (the County where we are located)*
- *Solidifies the reputation of Manhattan Beach as white, affluent and entitled*
- *Further divides our community, as this is a highly divisive resolution*

Please heed the opinions of those you purportedly represent - a large number of whom do not believe in this motion!

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Denise Berger

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Linda Gill <leeeleandgeorge@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 6:33 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Non-Confidence in George Gascon

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We add our support in the Manhattan Beach City Council voting to pass the VONC in George Gascon on May 18, 2021.

George and Linda Gill

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sandra Elsky <luvettes@roadrunner.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 4:45 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George gascon

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I support a vote of no confidence in george gascon. His election was the worst decision for California. He has ruined every city he has been employed to help. Crime is up and he protects the criminals.

Sandy Elsky

Sent from my iPhone



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mike Michalski <mike@realestateedge.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 17, 2021 12:37 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon

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Dear Mayor and Council:

As a 30-year resident, I have never seen Manhattan Beach under the sort of criminal assault that we find ourselves facing today.

A large reason for this is the anti-law enforcement climate that took effect last summer and culminated with the election of radical George Gascon as Los Angeles County District Attorney.

I fully **support** a resolution of no confidence in George Gascon, whose unilateral policies are a direct threat to the security and safety of Manhattan Beach's residents.

If you haven't already done so, please carefully review and consider the positions outlined by Deputy District Attorney, Jon Hatami, in his public comments to Council which I believe you already have. His comments should be included as part of the public record and should be required reading for the local woke criminal apologists and Generation Blue crowd so they can become educated as to what's really at stake.

Thank you,

***Mike Michalski***

Mike Michalski & Sachi Fujita

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tabula Rasa Essentials <tabularasamb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:26 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Jill Lamkin; Bruce Moe; Mike Simms; Michael Zislis  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Dear Mayor Hadley and City Council:

I wish to lend my support for the continuation of outdoor dining through the end of summer.

Due to COVID restrictions, our downtown pivoted like most to allow outdoor seating. We all appreciate the swiftness of council and staff in supporting the expansions and enabling the restaurants to stay in business. With the potential of fully reopening in mid June, our restaurant partners may have an extraordinary opportunity to recoup lost revenues from the past 14 months by offering both indoor and outdoor dining during our highest season.

By extending the emergency ordinance through summer, our downtown will also gain critical knowledge of the overall impact outdoor dining has in concert with significant loss of street parking and traffic congestion on sidewalks and on streets. We are in a unique situation to study the positive and negative effects and have real data instead of speculation to determine whether or not our city's infrastructure can support a new way of experiencing downtown MB. I trust through all of this, we will maintain a fair focus on all of our businesses, without favoring one business segment over any other.

My support is also met with a few concerns, particularly as they relate to parking and traffic. I'd like to see our city actively offer signage on all our main entrances directing long term/ beach parking to Metlox/Civic Center. Might I suggest signage at Highland and 15th so visitors turn left; Highland and 9th so visitors head towards Metlox, Manhattan Avenue and 9th so visitors head up the hill and turn left, Valley and MBB for those entering town from east. If the long term lots become full, it should be stated in real time so drivers aren't clogging the downtown looking for space. I'd like to see street meters return to 1 hour during the day, and remain 3 hours in the evenings like last summer to support customers (particularly locals) wanting to shop, run errands and maybe grab a "to go". Manhattan Avenue is of particular concern with parking. It is a major thoroughfare with a heavy concentration of shops, salons and service businesses, especially on the south side of MBB. It provides the closest street parking for beach access. Those who are not contributing revenue to our businesses should be encouraged to park in long term lots.

Traffic congestion is also a concern - both on the sidewalks and the streets. We are already experiencing heavy traffic and we aren't in summer yet. The new crosswalks seem to delay traffic flow. Cars are turning around in the middle of the street because they are stuck; excessive honking, etc. Signage for parking should help if placed far enough away from the main intersections so drivers have options. Skateboarding and electric bikes are a safety hazard. Kids don't care and ignore the signs - everyone's parents "are attorney's" or they "don't know how to read" after being out of school so long. We need enforcement.

Regarding masks, we need clear direction. Visitors, customers and locals are confused. We know it's a moving target. It is very difficult for a shop owner to determine whether or not someone has been vaccinated, and frankly it's impossible for us to monitor. Many of us will still be requiring shoppers to wear masks when inside our establishments until it is vastly determined masks are no longer required.

As a long term retailer downtown, as well as a resident within walking distance, I look forward to the full return of our local shops, services and restaurants with the amazing energy and unique experiences we provide individually and collectively. There is much to be excited about as we move towards summer.

I appreciate your time and look forward to the discussion on Tuesday night.

Best regards,  
Maureen



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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Julie Watts <jules.watts@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 8:34 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RECALL GASCON

City Council:

I agree to a vote of "no confidence" in Gascon because he is not prosecuting criminals and he supports criminals. He is terrible for the Los Angeles community, he is dissolving the gang units, letting murderers, pedophiles and gang members out of jail who should not be walking our streets. He is letting all criminals out on no bail and then they are back on the streets within hours committing crimes again. We have to get this man recalled ASAP! All four members of my family are in agreement with this (Julie Watts, Jeff Watts, Michael Watts and Lauren Watts). We are all of voting age and voted against this man.

Thank you,

Julie Watts  
Manhattan Beach resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bobbie Ferraro <bobbieferraro@me.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 8:11 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support vote of No Confidence in DA Gascon

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Dear City Council,

We support a "Vote of No Confidence" in Los Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascón. His policies have made our community less safe, he doesn't support victims rights and he's over stepping his authority. We support adopting resolution number 21-0042.

Thank you,  
Roberta Ferraro and Paul Olsen  
1401 18TH STREET  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Marvin Hixson <marvinhixson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 7:40 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence Resolution

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I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon!

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** herbertharger@verizon.net  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 6:52 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence on DA George Gason

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I support the proposed resolution of NO confidence in District Attorney George Gason which is item 13

on the Council Agenda under K General Business.

Herbert L. Harger  
A long time resident of Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jennifer Fisher <klausco@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 5:44 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon

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*Dear Council Members,*

*I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. I believe our community's safety and the rights of victims should be our top priorities. I also believe that interacting with at risk youth before they reach the point of committing a crime is a better approach than not giving them consequences once they have.*

*Thank You for addressing this matter in your meeting on Tuesday.*

*Sincerely,*

*Jennifer Fisher  
Manhattan Beach Resident.*



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** James Harger <jamesnharger@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 5:14 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] DA George Gascon

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MB Council Members,

I support the Council's Resolution expressing "no confidence" in District Attorney George Gascon. He puts "Crooks" first and law abiding citizens last. How anyone could vote for such an individual is beyond me. This is not partisan politics, it's law and order!

Thank you,

Jim Harger  
62 year resident of MB

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Stacey Shane <staceyshane@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 4:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support the Resolution - NO Gascon

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MB City Council,

I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. On Friday night May 14 at 8:45p my home in Manhattan Beach was vandalized and 2 thugs attempted to break in smashing the glass in one of my french doors. They were not phased by the double locked gate, motion sensor lights or cameras....because there are NO penalties!! The police officer who came to file the report was just as upset as me. He said I was the 4th report of the day and there is nothing they can do. Even if they catch them they are released immediately with no consequences. This has to stop!

I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 20 years and I have seen so many friends leave this past year and I am about to follow in their footsteps, so sad our beautiful quiet beach town is getting destroyed by crime and homelessness.

Do not let George Gason do to Los Angeles what he did to San Francisco!

Thank you,  
Stacey Shane

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Allyson Martin <allyson.martin123@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 3:57 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO confidence in George Gascon!

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*I strongly support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon! Thank you Mayor Hadley and council for keeping our safety as your priority!*

*Thank you!  
Allyson Martin, 58 year resident*

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sheree Pickman <heathermom@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 3:02 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote

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Dear City Council,

I do not live in Manhattan Beach, but live close by with friends who live there. I give a vote of no confidence VONC for Gascon and his policies. Consequences are important or the message sent is that doing bad things are acceptable now. They are unacceptable.

Thank you,  
Sheree H. Pickman

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Pamela Devito <pamela6741@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 2:35 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon

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*Dear Council Members,*

*I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. I believe our community's safety and the rights of victims should be our top priorities. I also believe that interacting with at risk youth before they reach the point of committing a crime is a better approach than not giving them consequences once they have.*

*Thank You for addressing this matter in your meeting on Tuesday.*

*Sincerely,*

*Pamela DeVito  
Manhattan Beach Resident.*

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Toni Donaldson <tdonaldson4@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 2:28 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of the Proposed Resolution of No Confidence in DA Gascon

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George Gason did his best to try to wreck San Francisco and then he moved to Los Angeles.

We have homes in both places and ask you to please try to keep Manhattan Beach as safe as possible. Years ago, this would have seemed to be ridiculous to even think of so much crime that is now going on in our beautiful little gem on the Pacific, but sadly crime has risen and the people, even if caught, face pretty much zero penalties. The police do their best, but what can they do when the laws are stacked up against them.

Do not let George Gason do to Los Angeles what he did to San Francisco.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Elizabeth Lynch <betsi.bell@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 2:08 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT of No Confidence Vote in George Gascon

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We are Tim & Elizabeth Lynch and owners of 229 25th Place. We SUPPORT the proposed resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon (Item no. 13 on Council's agenda under K. General Business). We believe it is your job to focus on the safety of MB residents. The rising crime rate is unacceptable. Thank you for listening.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Linda Cunningham <lindamcunningham@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 1:59 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please Vote NO CONFIDENCE in District Attorney George Gascon

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Dear Mayor Hadley and City Council Members,

This is not a partisan plea from one side or another, this is a plea for Public Safety.

I'm one of many very concerned citizens who strongly disagree with the detrimental policies George Gascon has instituted since becoming LA County District Attorney. As a citizen of Los Angeles County who has always cared deeply about public safety, I ask you to vote a "NO CONFIDENCE" vote on Mr. Gascon.

A few years ago when walking to work at the Kettle at 5:30 a.m. I witnessed a man breaking into cars. After MBPD responded and arrested him, it was found that the man had multiple previous arrests and time in jail was the only thing that prevented him from committing more crime. For each time, just days after his release he'd return to breaking into cars and stealing from other people their hard earned possessions. He particularly enjoyed committing crimes in Manhattan Beach because a pair of sunglasses left in a vehicle typically could get him a few bucks, while putting the victim out a few hundred to thousands replacing windows, text books, glasses valuables and such. Insurance premiums raised and the victims of the crime sufferers fear for years. When a criminal has committed to a life of crime, whether petty or violent, much won't change their ways except consequences and responsibility.

At this point Gascon has eliminated both consequence and responsibility. Leaving only the victims of crime to pay for the consequences and responsibility of the crime, sometimes for years after the crime was committed. Gascon who co-wrote proposition 47 changed felonies to misdemeanors making small crimes more enticing to criminals. And now as Los Angeles Counties District Attorney he has made being a criminal in Los Angeles County even more enticing.

Within minutes of being sworn in, Mr. Gascon made drastic changes that he did not disclose when campaigning which are letting violent and dangerous criminals back out onto our streets. Although in November 2020 Los Angeles County Voters voted not to eliminate no cash bail. However Gascon has issued a directive disregarding the vote of the people of LA County has given a direction no bail, with a promise to appear! Like a criminal with outstanding warrants is going appear back in court on his own recognizance!

Rape victims are being violated again when he doesn't file Great Bodily Harm Charges or seek harsher charges. While rape victims suffer the trauma of the crime for years!

Gascon has refused to meet with Victims of Crimes, even calling a mother of a murdered child "uneducated" in response to her begging to be heard. The District Attorney is supposed to be protecting the victims of crime, being their voice in court and to seek justice for the crime committed against them. Gascon is NOT standing up for victims or being their voice. This is unacceptable. In addition, Gascon filed briefs in appellate court supporting violent criminal defendants – our DA is supporting the criminal's appeal!? What a sad message that sends to those who have been victimized by these criminals as well as those who have fought to seek justice for the victims. In addition, under the DA's recently enacted policies, prosecutors must now support parole for



those rated as a low or moderate risk of re-offending. For those considered high-risk, prosecutors must be neutral. In no case may they oppose parole. Gascon's policies are reducing the ability of his prosecutors throughout Los Angeles County to keep our streets safe for its citizens. George Gascon fooled the voters of LA County and must be removed from office.

It certainly appears that Gascon's removal of Gang Enhancement charges are already profoundly impacting every community. Neither Beverly Hills or Sherman Oaks have been targeted by gang activity until now. Recently it became clear that the well-publicized robbery and shooting at Il Pastaio restaurant in Beverly Hills was committed by the Rollin 30's Crips Gang. I fear Manhattan Beach will be next. That this type of brazen crime will continue unless we take a stand to change the lax and inappropriate sentences for violent criminals now being recommended due to Gascon's recently enacted policies.

Also in Gascon's policies of eliminating the special enhancements, including the death penalty (another law voted on by the people to be reserved for the most violent of offenders to ensure they do not get released), Gascon has refused to file death penalties against the vile and violent murderers of Whittier Police Officer Keith Boyer and Lancaster Sheriff Deputy Steve Owen. Can you imagine if Gascon was responsible for charging MBPD's Martin Ganz's murderer? Our community would see no justice.

LA District Attorney George Gascón's office published a Special Directive 20-07, advising NO CONSEQUENCES FOR PURCHASING SEX!

1. Undermines law enforcement's ability to pursue sex trafficking.
2. Empowers traffickers more than those being sold.
3. Fails to improve negative impact on physical and psychological well-being of people in prostitution.
4. Will likely increase demand, thereby putting more vulnerable individuals at risk of trafficking, including children, in order to meet the demand for sex.

Finally, there are rallies being held throughout the Southland of the families who have lost loved ones to violent crime. Not only those who are those awaiting trial or sentencing for violent crime face now much reduced sentences, those convicted felons who are currently in prison are being released and are returning to the streets. I want to call your attention to the well-publicized case of Anthony Avalos. George Gascon removed the special-circumstance allegation of murder involving the infliction of torture which reduced their possible sentence from the death penalty to life in prison. The voters in the State of California have repeatedly voted to maintain the death penalty as punishment for the worst of the worst offenders. If ever there was a case where the death penalty should be considered, it is the case of Anthony Avalos. The life of little Anthony who endured horrendous and unrelenting torture in his short ten years on this Earth matters more than the criminals who repeatedly brutalized and ultimately killed him.

Please stand with those of us of all different races, genders, ages and political parties who just want to keep LA County safe. Please stand with the various law enforcement officers who work so hard to protect its citizens. Please stand with those who are the victims of violent crime and their families by placing a VOTE of NO CONFIDENCE in GEORGE GASCON.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Cunningham

<https://www.cjlf.org/publications/papers/SentenceRecidivism.pdf?fbclid=IwAR2RlhkBPI7KyzdCdyxrIvZmlIY5lyEZ7zHHFMYboMDy7kqiftoXV84Uo4>

[https://www.sfchronicle.com/local-politics/article/Out-of-control-Organized-crime-drives-S-F-16175755.php?fbclid=IwAR3U6BGVeLKgrWqQFx-njWDN4XstuweNTo75AnML73Ac8g6LM\\_obcZlAnWU](https://www.sfchronicle.com/local-politics/article/Out-of-control-Organized-crime-drives-S-F-16175755.php?fbclid=IwAR3U6BGVeLKgrWqQFx-njWDN4XstuweNTo75AnML73Ac8g6LM_obcZlAnWU)

<https://www.sfchronicle.com/crime/article/41-district-attorneys-petition-against-potential-16176101.php>

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kelly Mallen <ktmallen@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 1:46 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon "no confidence" vote

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To Whom it May Concern:

I have been a prosecutor for a neighboring county for the last 26 years. The role of the District Attorney's office has always been to seek justice, to enforce the laws and to advocate for the safety and welfare of the citizens of the state. George Gascon policies fail to perform this basic duty. Therefore, the city of Manhattan Beach must vote "no confidence" in his leadership of the Los Angeles District Attorney's office.

As I'm sure you are aware, the District Attorney is a member of the Executive Branch of government. As such, they are tasked with ENFORCING (not making) laws. The LEGISLATIVE branch of government makes the law and the JUDICIAL branch interprets the law. This system of checks and balances ensures that no one branch of government exceeds their political power. George Gascon has exceeded the scope of his office by determining that HE effectively make the law by choosing to enforce the laws he sees fit. This is NOT the role of the District Attorney. If voters seek criminal justice reform, then members of the legislature - who are accountable to their constituents - must pass new laws. NOT George Gascon.

Los Angeles County has now become a beacon for criminal activity with perpetrators well aware that the laws and enhancements enforced in surrounding counties, will not be enforced in Los Angeles County. Since I work in a neighboring county, many times I have heard criminal defense attorneys tell their clients directly that they should commit their crimes in LA County next time because they will not be punished. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's office has become more focused on protecting criminals from the law than protecting the citizens. This has made the citizens of this county less safe which is the city council's primary responsibility.

Please do what you know is right and vote "no confidence" in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon. The citizens of Manhattan Beach deserve better.

Sincerely,  
Kelly T. Mallen  
resident of Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tiffany Wright <sedn\_lynne@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 12:37 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support a vote of no confidence for Gascon

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Thank you for giving us the opportunity to support this vote of no confidence in Gascon. I simply don't feel that my family is safe with Gascon as DA.

We have seen the results of Gascon's policies in San Francisco and do not want to wait for those to play out here in LA County and Manhattan Beach. Those results include a 37% jump in property crimes (something we are already seeing in our little beach town). Even the mayor of San Francisco refused to endorse Gascon in his run for LA DA given the damage SF endured as a result of Gascon's policies.

Gascon's policies destroy the connection between criminality and consequences which leads to more and more crime. We have seen this result in San Francisco and other areas who have DAs with similar philosophies. As a parent, I know what happens when consequences and boundaries are not enforced with children. This is no different. The response of continuing the behavior is human nature, unfortunately with more at stake.

Importantly, our own MBPD officers have shared that the zero bail policies, elimination of certain sentence enhancements and the non-charging decisions of the DA only make the officers' jobs more difficult. The catch-and-release program for property crime offenders allow for these criminals to victimize our neighborhood again, sometimes the same day of their release. How does this help our ability to attract the best and brightest officers to keep our county safe?

Thank you for your consideration in supporting this vote of no confidence in Gascon. This vote of no confidence shows that the city council understands that the safety of our residents and visitors is our highest priority. It is the next step in helping our residents and visitors feel welcome and safe in our city.

Sincerely,  
Tiffany Wright  
18 Year Sand Section Resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Loralie Ogden <logden456@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 12:28 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote regarding DA GAScon

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Hello,

Please do not make this Vote of No Confidence a city issue. Make your disapproval as a private citizen. We have so many other more important things on our plate the last thing we need to deal with is this! Additionally we DO NOT need any further light shone on Manhattan Beach political matters.

Thank you for your service.

Loralie Ogden  
456 32nd Street  
MB

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Dana Rochowicz <drochowicz@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 12:24 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Council's No Confidence Resolution

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Dear Council members,

I strongly support the Council's resolution expressing no confidence in D.A. George Gascon. I urge you to pass this resolution for the safety of all MB residents and also for our police officers so their hands are no longer tied as they work to protect us from criminals and their crimes in our community.

Thank you,

Dana Rochowicz

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Jane Franklin <janehomemail@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 12:23 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support the vote of no confidence

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*I strongly support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon.*

*Please support and protect the law abiding citizens. We deserve to be safe in our neighborhood.*

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Vitaliya Kaplun Droutman <drouman@usc.edu>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 11:28 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] SUPPORT the proposed resolution of No Confidence in District Attorney George Gascon (Item no. 13)

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I am outraged by Gascon policies and support the proposed resolution of No Confidence in DA G. Gascon.

Thank you,

*Vita Droutman, PhD*

University of Southern California  
Department of Psychology  
SGM 614

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bob Beverly <bob.beverly@ymail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 11:21 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Carrie Tai, AICP; Erik Zandvliet; City Manager; Derrick Abell  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Downtown community

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After almost a 70 year lifetime in Manhattan Beach, I am strongly concerned about the future direction of our downtown community. As you will remember, when the talk of taking street parking for outside restaurant use first came up, I was opposed. My warning was, "give an inch some will take a mile". Boy did I ever look like I was in possession of a crystal ball. The efforts made by our city to help restaurants is and was a noble cause. What bothered me was how so many of my fellow business owners took advantage of the situation by both skirting the rules of both the city and L.A. County Health Dept guidelines. The outdoor public consumption has acted as a magnet to some very undesirable characters. Littering, tagging, vulgar behavior, malicious mischief, public fights, parking spaces fights, gang gatherings, traffic blind spots etc etc. We are now hearing talk that some in our downtown area want to make the outdoor street parking seating permanent. Our civic leaders over the last 50 years worked hard on maintaining our small town community feel. Zoning restrictions have been upgraded to rid the Strand of commercial development and maintaining our "Jewel of the South Bay" title. It is not hard to find establishments that actually have more seating now then before the Pandemic. If the State allows for 75% occupancy or more June 15th,2021, I propose all outside parklets be removed by July 1, 2021. We need to get Manhattan Beach back to being Manhattan Beach. I know great pressure will be thrown in your faces by powerful wealthy people as they have throughout this Pandemic. Time and history will show you did the right thing if you find the strength to prevent the proposed dramatic changes to our downtown. Thank you for all you have dealt with over these last 16 months. If anyone wants a follow up discussion or further details, I am available at 310 991-7982. Sincerely Bob Beverly Shellback Tavern



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Frank Sillman <frank.sillman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 11:21 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence vote for Gascon

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> I strongly support a vote of no confidence in LA DA George Gascón due to his non Law and order positions and policies on crime, his disregard for victims and the safety of law abiding citizens. As a result of his policies, such as no bail, non-prosecution of criminals and reduced sentencing, crime rates have dramatically risen impacting all areas, including MB. The DA is suppose to protect the safety of the citizens, not put them at additional risk.

Thanks

Frank

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bobby Sillman <bobby.sillman@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:56 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LA DA George Gascón - No Confidence

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City Council:

I support a vote of no confidence in LA DA George Gascón due to his positions and policies on crime. As a result of his policies, such as no bail, non-prosecution of criminals and reduced sentencing, crime rates have dramatically risen impacting all areas, including MB. The DA is supposed to protect the safety of the citizens, not put them at risk.

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Thanks,  
Bobby Sillman

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Brian Bullock <bullockb32@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:54 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence

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*Hello Council Members,  
I want to go on record that I fully support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. Thank you.*

*Brian Bullock  
310.488.7784*

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** carlajo50 <carlajo50@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:48 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence Proposal

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Our family strongly supports a vote of No Confidence in Gascon. The increase in crime in Manhattan Beach is irrefutable. Thank you.

Carla Riley  
Rex Willis

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Leila Stoddard <leilastoddard@me.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:26 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City Council,

I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 30 years and I think the outdoor dining really enhances our downtown area. My family loves eating outdoors and it adds energy to the whole downtown experience. I also don't feel fully comfortable eating indoors yet due to Covid. I hope the outdoor seating will become permanent.

Thank you,

Leila Stoddard

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Michelle Minier <minier.michelle@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:26 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] LA DA George Gascón - No Confidence

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I support a vote of no confidence in LA DA George Gascón due to his positions and policies on crime. As a result of his policies, such as no bail, non-prosecution of criminals and reduced sentencing, crime rates have dramatically risen impacting all areas, including MB. The DA is suppose to protect the safety of the citizens, not put them at risk.

Best,

Michelle

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Randall Schnack <randallschnack@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:10 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon

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Honorable Mayor and City Council Members, As a Manhattan Beach resident for nearly 29 years and having served in the California Central District Court for 20 years before retiring, I support without any reservation the Resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon. Manhattan Beach should be a safe and secure community with it's residents well-being paramount. Los Angeles County District Attorney's policies do not accomplish this ideal. I strongly urge the Council to pass the resolution.

Randall Schnack  
Manhattan Beach, California

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**From:** Kathlene Miglin <kpmiglin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:00 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in DA George Gascon

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Kathy and Wally Miglin

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kathlene Miglin <kpmiglin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 9:58 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in DA George Gascon

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**From:** Bonney Larson <bonneylarson@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 9:29 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Bonney Larson  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence in George Gascon

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I fully support the Proposed Resolution of No Confidence in district attorney George Gascon. Thank you for addressing it.

Bonney Larson  
310-505-1793  
[bonneylarson@icloud.com](mailto:bonneylarson@icloud.com)  
3524 Elm Avenue Manhattan Beach

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Louise Wolf <ldwolfpack@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 9:25 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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Dear Council,

I respectfully ask the City Council of ManhatBch to vote NO CONFIDENCE on the issue of George Gascon's effectiveness as D.A.

Thank you

Louise Wolf

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Eva Bedingfield <evabed@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 9:21 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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Please let's remove Gascon.

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** KEVIN KEENAN <kevkeenan@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 9:16 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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I'm very concerned as a resident of MB that George Gascon policies will ruin our city. LA city clearly is going to be a crime ridden cess pool shortly. With Bonin trying to allow the homeless to invade LA beaches, the spill over will come to our city.  
It's ok that the woke are starting to hate MB; that means you, the city council, are representing the citizens Please vote a no confidence in George Gascon

Regards,  
Kevin Keenan  
(310)795-5354

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** bonefish27@aol.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 9:07 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] no confidence

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As a long time resident of MB, I totally support the City voting "no confidence" in the stance on the DA. We need to have less crime in our city and back the police who put their lives on the line every day they put on the uniform.

John Whitaker

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kerry Dawson <kerryldawson@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 8:45 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in George Gascon

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I am in favor of "No Confidence" in *George Gascon*. Let our police officers do their job of keeping our city safe.

Kerry Dawson  
local realtor

8 Grenada CT  
Manhattan Beach, Ca. 90266

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** David Zislis <davidzislis@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 8:37 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fw: Council Meeting re. Outdoor Dining

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Dear City Council Members:

2020 was the worst year of my life. Almost every single day was chaos and a challenge and a struggle to survive. Now, it's looking like 2021 will be worse. I can't find workers, labor is going through the roof, business is still way down, costs are going up, and there's no rent relief or PPP. We still need help until the Covid crisis subsides and stabilizes. Stay the course until the end of summer, then reevaluate. Who knows what the fall will bring -- it's a novel coronavirus (the flu and colds activate in the fall and winter, so may the coronavirus). I can not survive another major disruption -- mentally, emotionally, or financially.

David Zislis  
BREWCO

PS: All the development on Sepulveda (Manhattan Village Mall) and Rosecrans is competing for workers and customers. Corporations can pay more and sustain losses longer to compete for the long-term. All we have downtown is the beach and views. Let's maximize our strengths (the beach, the views, and outdoor dining).



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Terry Watson <slaysman@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 16, 2021 8:18 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I support the vote of No Confidence in George Gascon

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The subject line this email says it all. Thumbs down for George Gascon. I hope we can recall him!

Terry Watson  
Manhattan Beach resident for 35 years.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Ray Joseph <rayj310@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 9:38 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in George Gascon

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I support a vote of no confidence in George Gascon. We need someone that will prosecute criminals. It's very disturbing when our police arrest someone and they are released immediately and commit more crimes. I have a boy that I would like to keep safe. I've had 5 bikes and surfboards stolen from my house. My neighbor had their car stolen from his garage. My brother's car was stolen in the tree section.

We have a good community and good police.

Yes, I hate politics today. I'd rather be focused on things we can do to improve things in our city or having Pumpkin Races, Hometown Fair, pier lighting, fireworks and enjoying our community. It's so great to see kids playing sports in town. I want my son in 10th grade to get more than 3 hours of school a day. I want to go back to our beach town life. BLM - Beach Life Matters.

I'm so sorry you guys have to deal with the crazy politics of today.

Thanks,

Ray Joseph  
Manhattan Beach CA 90266

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lori Ford <lori@gumtreela.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 6:13 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Jill Lamkin; Will Ford  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Support

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Hello Manhattan Beach City Council,

I'm writing today to express our support for extending the operation of the current dining decks downtown MB through Labor Day. The outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach has greatly contributed to the vibrancy of downtown through this incredibly difficult year. We talk to customers all day in our shop, many of whom are MB residents, who tell us how much they love eating outside and love the decks. We believe the dining decks, and the customers they attract, have helped to bring additional business to all of our downtown businesses, we have certainly experienced that at Gum Tree.

Thank you for your time and service, if you should have any questions please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,  
Lori and Will Ford

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mervis Reissig <merv4peace@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 6:08 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] OPPOSE Vote of No Confidence for George Gascon

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I am a former resident of Manhattan Beach, and have given countless volunteer hours to the CERT program in Manhattan Beach.

I was appalled when I heard that the City withdrew its commission and resolution of apology from the Bruce family, but happy that the Board of Supervisors under Janice Hahn's leadership has moved to return the property to the Bruce family. History is moving in the direction of justice and equality even though MB is not.

Today I learned of the agenda item on Tuesday night's Council meeting to call for a vote of no confidence for DA Gascon. I'm doubtful that any of the Council have met Mr. Gascon and certainly have not heard him speak. His ideas are those that need to be discussed at every level of our government in the United States. I personally dislike the ill-advised term "defund the police," but the idea behind it, which is to provide money to resources that can help a situation rather than kill those involved, is sound. Sheriff Villanueva unfortunately has chosen to further divide people on this issue through his manipulation of victims who have been wronged by the system; and he is bringing elected officials along with him in a way that is unbecoming to thinking individuals.

I urge you to give George Gascon the courtesy of attending a council meeting for the purpose of presenting his ideas and answering questions. Only then can our residents and our Council be educated enough on the issues to comment on his ideas and support necessary reforms.

Mervis Reissig

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** kate train4thegame.com <kate@train4thegame.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 2:34 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote No Confidence in Gascon

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As City of MB residents, we support the vote of No Confidence in George Gascon. His unilateral enactment of special directives (that do not support our order or our MBPD) are unsafe and not aligned with what we support.

We vote No Confidence in George Gascon.

The Wright Family

Alma Ave

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Linda Chen <theborg7@me.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 1:02 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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Please vote zero confidence in Gascon

He is a threat n danger to humanity, a terrorist to victims and a foot soldier for devil spawn Soros.

He isn't welcomed in this town or this planet earth.

Linda Chen  
Paul Chance  
Austin Chance  
Brandon Chance  
Collin Chance  
Damian Chance  
Eagan Chance  
Felicity Chance  
Grandma Joy  
Grandma Lilien  
Grandpa Jimmy

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Elena Lee <elenavivi310@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 15, 2021 10:12 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Voting of No Confidence in George Gascon

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Dear City Council Members,

I am emailing to express **support for a Vote of No Confidence in George Gascon**. We have seen an alarming increase in crime in our city (and all over Los Angeles) due to his directives. Directives, which I believe, have destroyed San Francisco where he was previously DA. Property crime was up 49% in San Francisco during his time there. Please help us prevent this from happening here - so we can feel safe in our homes.

Thank you for your hard work to keep our community safe.

Sincerely,

Elena Lee

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Terri Warren <terrifwarren@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 10:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of No Confidence

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Dear Manhattan Beach Council - I would like to express my support for a vote of no confidence in George Gascon and his unilateral policies which places the safety of the public at risk. Please help Manhattan Beach take a stand against this brazen attempt to circumvent our laws, while doing what you can to keep the citizens of Manhattan Beach safe. Grateful for your service, Terri Warren

Sent from my iPhone



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kim Brant-Lucich <kbrant007@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 9:38 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; Steve Napolitano; Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Joe Franklin; Richard Montgomery  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Vote of No Confidence for George Gascon

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Dear City Council,

I write to you once again, as I did on April 20<sup>th</sup>, urging you NOT to pass a Resolution of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascón. Rather than reiterate all of the points outlined below, I urge you to review the Los Angeles Times voter maps so you can understand the will of your constituents. At least half of our community voted for Gascón. This resolution in no way advances life in Manhattan Beach and it does not support our local MBPD. The half of our community who voted to elect Gascón are surely not in agreement with this partisan nonsense. These are the same people who voted for you. Please honor your promise to serve the community.

Please do your job and support the will of the residents of Manhattan Beach. This is a frivolous, inappropriate, and partisan resolution and our tax dollars should not be used for City Council to entertain this resolution.

*Regards,*

**Kim Brant-Lucich**, MBA, PMP, FHIMSS  
818-371-4318  
kbrant007@gmail.com

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**From:** Kim Brant-Lucich <kbrant007@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 12:55 PM  
**To:** <citycouncil@citymb.info>, Steve Napolitano <snapolitano@citymb.info>, Suzanne Hadley <shadley@citymb.info>, Hildy Stern <hstern@citymb.info>, <jfranklin@citymb.info>, <rmontgomery@citymb.info>  
**Subject:** Vote of No Confidence for George Gascon

Dear City Council Members,

Once again, I write to you as a long time resident of Manhattan Beach who plans to retire here and cares about the reputation and value of my community. I observed that City Council, in Item L of the agenda, will be discussing the following: "16. Consider Request by Mayor Hadley and Councilmember Montgomery to Place on a Future Agenda a Resolution of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascón." I find this request to be inappropriate and reprehensible on a number of levels.

George Gascón has spent a lifetime focused on criminal justice reform, something that is much needed in our state and in our nation, and perhaps even in our local community. Gascón's known top priority is police reform - holding police accountable and ensuring that police misconduct is tracked, with appropriate action taken. A vote of "no-confidence" by the City of Manhattan Beach suggests, to me, that our City Council believes our own community and perhaps our police are beyond reproach and should not be held accountable for their actions. I have great respect for MBPD and have even attended the Community Policy Academy; however, I do not believe our MBPD or any other city police

department should be exempt from policies put in place at the county level. A vote of “no confidence” is a rejection of policy, not just regarding police, but also regarding other policies of George Gascón, including his protections for victims of violent crime, treatment of juveniles as juveniles and not adults, and environmental philosophies that hold corporations accountable for environmental harm.

If this proposed resolution for a vote of no confidence were a stand-alone topic, I might not have noticed it. However, it comes on the heels of City Council’s recent refusal to issue a resolution of apology to the Bruce’s and other families for our community’s past racist acts, thus continuing to foment the seeds of racism. This decision made me acutely aware of local politics as well as brand and reputation of our city. That decision to offer only an acknowledgement and condemnation was a largely unsupported decision by hundreds of residents in our community, and it has positioned this city in a negative light nationally and internationally. Ironically, it has left many in our community with a “vote of no confidence” for our City Council. To exacerbate this poor City Council decision, we are a small community that made a decision that is in stark opposition to LA County’s decision to address the wrongs of the past and to return the Bruce’s Beach land to descendants of the Bruce family. Optically, we appear to be an affluent and entitled community that is non-inclusive. We seem to be a renegade from LA County, a city that views itself exempt from rules and laws, or simply common decency that apply to other communities in LA County.

Please do not put this discussion about George Gascón onto your calendar as a resolution; it will only further alienate us as an entitled and unaccountable city. This Council needs to stop harming the reputation of our community and should focus instead on representing the best of Manhattan Beach and fixing issues of greater importance to our community, like theft, vandalism, traffic congestion, and COVID compliance, just to name a few.

Regards,

Kim Brant-Lucich

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Barbara n Joe Jackson <joenbarba99@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 8:26 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO CONFIDENCE in George Gascon

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To the City Council of Manhattan Beach:

I'm one of many very concerned citizens who strongly disagree with the detrimental policies George Gascon has instituted since becoming LA County District Attorney. I was born in raised in Manhattan Beach, and am a graduate of Aviation High. I raised my family in the South Bay. As a life long citizen of Los Angeles County who has always cared deeply about public safety, I'm asking you to place a "NO CONFIDENCE" vote on Mr. Gascon. So far, the cities of Beverly Hills, Pico Rivera, Santa Clarita, Lancaster, Covina, Whittier, Rosemead and La Mirada have issued a NO CONFIDENCE in George Gascon, and many other cities across the County have this on their agendas. I hope I can count on you and your colleagues to issue the same for Manhattan Beach.

Within minutes of being sworn in, Mr. Gascon made drastic changes that he did not disclose when campaigning that are letting violent and dangerous criminals back out onto our streets. This is unacceptable. In addition, Gascon filed briefs in appellate court supporting violent criminal defendants – our DA is supporting the criminal's appeal! What a sad message that sends to those who have been victimized by these criminals as well as those who have fought to seek justice for the victims. In addition, under the DA's recently enacted policies, prosecutors must now support parole for those rated as a low or moderate risk of re-offending. For those considered high-risk, prosecutors must be neutral. In no case may they oppose parole. His policies are reducing the ability of his prosecutors throughout Los Angeles County to keep our streets safe for its citizens. **George Gascon fooled the voters of LA County and must be removed from office.**

It certainly appears that Gascon's removal of Gang Enhancement charges are already profoundly impacting every community. Neither Beverly Hills or Sherman Oaks have been targeted by gang activity until now. Recently it became clear that the well-publicized robbery and shooting at Il Pastaio restaurant in Beverly Hills was committed by the Rollin 30's Crips Gang. This type of brazen crime will continue unless we take a stand to change the lax and inappropriate sentences for violent criminals now being recommended due to Gascon's recently enacted policies.

Even police stations are not safe! Recently someone firebombed the occupied Topanga police station, putting at risk the lives of those law enforcement officers who are just doing their jobs. Sadly, the Los Angeles Police Protective League issued the following statement: "Unfortunately, with a district attorney like George Gascón, there's a good chance the firebomber's crime will be pled down to starting an illegal campfire with a sentence recommendation of no s'mores at bedtime and a group therapy session to determine how society contributed to this crime. These attacks targeting law enforcement must stop, and those who carry out these attacks must be taken off our streets. It would be great to have a DA that agreed." I couldn't agree more.

Finally, there are rallies being held throughout the Southland of the families who have lost loved ones to violent crime. Not only those who are those awaiting trial or sentencing for violent crime

face now much reduced sentences, those convicted felons who are currently in prison are being released and are returning to the streets.

I want to call your attention to the well-publicized case of Anthony Avalos. George Gascon removed the special-circumstance allegation of murder involving the infliction of torture which reduced their possible sentence from the death penalty to life in prison. The voters in the State of California have repeatedly voted to maintain the death penalty as punishment for the worst of the worst offenders. If ever there was a case where the death penalty should be considered, it is the case of Anthony Avalos. The life of little Anthony who endured horrendous and unrelenting torture in his short ten years on this Earth matters more than the criminals who repeatedly brutalized and ultimately killed him.

Please stand with those of us of all different races, genders, ages and political parties who just want to keep LA County safe. Please stand with the various law enforcement officers who work so hard to protect its citizens. Please stand with those who are the victims of violent crime and their families by placing a **VOTE of NO CONFIDENCE in GEORGE GASCON.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Jackson

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mahlone Becker <mahlonегiese@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 5:07 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] VONC

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Manhattan Beach City Council:

Please Vote 'No Confidence' for Gascon at the May 18th meeting. Clearly we are less safe as a result of his policies. I will be working in the recall Gascon campaign getting signatures and this will certainly strengthen our chance of getting the required signatures quickly so we can all be rid of him!

Thank you to everyone working hard on this effort!!

Mahlone

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gary Osterhout <garyosterhout@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 4:53 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Budget Meetings

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Councilmembers:

I read the following Budget Meeting transcript with interest:

We rarely get one of five people that show up for budget meetings. You get more residents show up on everything else but the budget meeting. They had five meetings and I counted five people that would show up at these meetings. I'm -- I'm surprised there's zero tonight. I hope we have some the next time. Don't be shocked if there's no numbers that show up at a budget meeting.

I've mentioned many times that you folks don't know how to solicit interest. You sound like that high school pep squad moaning why there is no school spirit. Frankly, you folks don't make the sessions accessible or show that there would be any result if someone participated, so to give them reason to participate. The financial/budget survey's you send out are meaningless, yet you want people to think their input is valuable.

You keep doing the same thing over and over seeming like you are expecting different results.

The finance department puts out blandishments like surveys say "people want public safety first," like that's a revelation. Then they want the basic water, sewer and trash services. Duh. Walt Dougher ran on "flush without fear." You start out the budget document with pie charts and other factoids that mean little to anyone.

The time you allow for public comment comes after someone has sat through the entire budget, instead of allowing comment after every departmental presentation. Then you limit the time to talk (even though few participate).

You don't drill down to those issues and topics which you know people are directly interested in at the granular level. Take for example poor funding for park maintenance, which not only is of personal interest and which I have brought up many times, but has been commented by others both on NextDoor and the Park Master Plan survey. Yet this is the totality of the discussion--and no one even bothered to check the director's misstatement on frequency:

We cut over 200,000 and that was for for fields parks and street medians. - because the use of the park has returned significantly, we're reinstagt portion of the budget to bring the fields back to a usable condition as well as **increase maintenance frequency from twice a week to once a week again.**

That's the 164,000 that we're proposing to add basket in. With that, that concludes the summary of public works. Thank you.  
>> terrific. Thank you director ty.

In short, it it not the public's fault they aren't participating, and that lack of participation is not good as far as necessary community engagement for a healthy city. It does of course consolidate more autocracy in City Hall.

And if you want the community to be engaged in your line item review, maybe you should make that list more identifiable than saying "its on the website," like posting it to the budget section.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Gary Osterhout

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** T Wallender <vipremier@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 4:28 PM  
**To:** Jill Lamkin; List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Council Meeting re. Outdoor Dining Tuesday

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I support extended outdoor dining through Labor Day. These businesses need help. Thanks for your consideration.



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Luke Mulderink <luke.mulderink@buckinghaminvestments.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 3:27 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Jill Lamkin  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Council Meeting re. Outdoor Dining Tuesday

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Hi Folks,

Wanted to send an email in support of having outdoor dining through Labor Day.

I'm in support of it in perpetuity as well.

Thank you!

Best,  
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Buckingham Investments  
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On May 13, 2021, at 10:53 PM, Jill Lamkin <[jill@downtownmanhattanbeach.com](mailto:jill@downtownmanhattanbeach.com)> wrote:

City Council meets re. the extension of Outdoor Dining this coming Tuesday, May 18th at 6pm. The DBPA has asked for an extension of outdoor dining in its current form to last through Labor Day. This is not a request to continue outdoor dining permanently; if we do that, we will have a very thorough plan to present. This request is only an extension of the emergency order. If you

are in favor of continuing outdoor dining in its current form through Labor Day, please make an attempt to attend this meeting or send an email of support.

Link to agenda:

[https://manhattanbeach.granicus.com/DocumentViewer.php?file=manhattanbeach\\_de612f52819af6609fdfeb6e5c062434.pdf&view=1](https://manhattanbeach.granicus.com/DocumentViewer.php?file=manhattanbeach_de612f52819af6609fdfeb6e5c062434.pdf&view=1)

If your business, particularly non-restaurants, feels outdoor dining is an overall benefit to Downtown, please explain why.

We know there will be a vocal group of Downtown residents who will be calling to end outdoor dining, so if you can help encourage your customers who are residents, particularly those who live in/near Downtown, to call in with their support, it would be helpful.

Two options for public comment:

1) Direct URL: <https://citymb-info.zoom.us/j/93376200363>, Meeting ID: 933-7620-0363

During the meeting you will need to use the “raise hand” button through Zoom at the time the Mayor invites the public to provide comments.

2) Join Zoom Meeting via Phone Conference (Voice Only): Phone Number: (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 933 7620 0363

Wait for Mayor to ask for Public Comments under Letter G (COVID-19), #2 on agenda.

This is GO TIME. Get supporters to speak out for this emergency order extension through Labor Day. Please let me know if you have other ideas or questions. Best of luck for a fantastic weekend!



**Jill Lamkin**

Executive Director, Downtown Manhattan Beach Business + Professional Association

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** John Altamura <[john@altamuragroup.net](mailto:john@altamuragroup.net)>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 12:57 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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I support a vote of no confidence in George Gascon and his unilateral policies that place our citizens and the public, in general, at risk

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*John Altamura*

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**From:** timothy miley <timothymiley@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 11:59 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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I strongly support the no confidence vote for DDA Gascon. His election over DA Lacey was a fluke of timing related to the Floyd protests. Calmer heads must fix his election and the consequences to public safety.

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** greppu@verizon.net  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 11:44 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence George Gascon

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I support a vote of no confidence in George Gascon and his unilateral policies which place the safety of the public at risk.

Michele Reppucci  
Manhattan Beach resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gay Crowell <gaycrowell@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 11:19 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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My husband and I both support a vote of no confidence in George Gascon. We need to send a message.

Regards,  
Gay Crowell  
1126-18th St  
MB

Sent from my iPad

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** shopkatwalk@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 9:49 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Jill Lamkin  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support of Outdoor Dining

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To Whom it may concern;

As a local business owner and resident of Manhattan Beach, I am in full support of continuing outdoor dining. It brings a vibrancy to our local businesses and allows the restaurants to catch up on missed sales. The restaurants were treated unfairly, forced to shut down and reopen several times. The cost of shutting down, firing and rehiring people, losing inventory; I can't imagine the financial strain these businesses have endured, yet they are still open, serving our community.

Please, keep our community alive and bustling and keep outdoor dining open.

Best,  
Kat Master  
Owner, Katwalk  
Manhattan Beach Resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** BB Heather <heather@shopbellabeach.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 14, 2021 9:27 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Extension of emergency outdoor dining through Labor Day

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council,

I am in favor of the emergency extension of outdoor dining through Labor Day. Look I've been at my store, Bella Beach Kids throughout this pandemic and there is a direct benefit to retailers like myself to having outdoor dining, and we could use all the help we can get. IT BRINGS PEOPLE. We have great weather and oceanfront views from most outdoor dining parklets in town so lets use it to bring in more dining guests who ultimately will stay longer in town resulting in sales for retail shops. It's a win win.

Kind regards,  
Heather D'Errico

Heather D'Errico  
Manager  
Bella Beach Kids  
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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** msljs@aol.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 13, 2021 6:37 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] URGE "NO CONFIDENCE" VOTE REGARDING GEORGE GASCON

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I am a concerned citizen and do not feel that George Gascon's policies and actions are keeping us safe, therefore, I am urging you to vote "NO CONFIDENCE" regarding George Gascon. We need law and order and we don't want our community to turn into a third world country.

Thank you,

Leslie Sutphin

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Gregory S. Harris <harris\_greg@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 12, 2021 12:44 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Gregory S. Harris  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Violent Crimes and Homelessness in Manhattan Beach

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Dear MB City Council

As a 20+ year resident of Manhattan Beach, this is first time I have been truly concerned for the safety of my family. What is the city leadership and police department doing to address the recent significant increase in homeless, property crimes (tagging of businesses), and violent assaults in town?

For action items, I support the following:

- 1) Please support the Vote of No Confidence in LA DA George Gascon at the May 18 council meeting.**
- 2) Please consider hiring two additional police officers since our PD need more help with QOL crimes and dealing with homelessness.**
- 3) Please consider contracting with the RB city prosecutor to prosecute "lower level" crimes (misdemeanors) that our new DA George Gascon has said he will not prosecute.**
- 4) Please consider adding shelter beds to the city budget so we can move our unhoused off the streets and into shelter.**

What else can we do better as residents to help our city leadership make meaningful progress towards better public safety? In my opinion, our entire quality of life starts with being safe in our own neighborhoods.

Best Regards,  
Greg Harris 310.707.5528

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[harris\\_greg@icloud.com](mailto:harris_greg@icloud.com)

## Martha Alvarez

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>> Lacey Levitt, Ph.D.

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**From:** Jim Burton <jburton@ecokai.com>  
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**Cc:** Bruce Moe  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] People are watching your budget meeting

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FYI –

I am watching, care about the budget, and appreciate you walking through each department.

The department presentations were very informative.

I hope that there will be a general major items discussion, line by line as needed, mentioned by Councilmember Napolitano.

Jim Burton  
328 11<sup>th</sup> Street

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**From:** glenn robinson <grobinson@engineer.com>  
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I urge you to please join with seven other cities in L.A. county which have voted "No Confidence" in L.A. DA George Gascon. Covina, Lancaster, La Mirada, Whittier, Beverly Hills, Santa Clarita, and Pico Rivera have all voted "No Confidence" in Gascon.

His policies for criminal justice are the exact opposite of the policies that Manhatten Beach has concerning lowering crime and maintaining safe neighborhoods.

Glenn Robinson

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mary Kirchwehm  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 11, 2021 12:08 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** Vote of No Confidence George Gascon

Good Morning,

I just received a call from Idessa Gonzales (818) 426-5738 who asked me to email City Council her Vote of No Confidence George Gascon.



**MARY KIRCHWEHM**  
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

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**“Recall or Resolution of No Confidence” for Los Angeles**

**by Robert Bush**

**These cities in Los Angeles County are considering County District Attorney George Gascon: Beverly Hills, Mirada and Whittier.**

**“George Gascon’s failure to protect our most vulnerable citizens is a failure of his foremost duty as a District Attorney, and he must be held accountable for any more damage. What George Gascon is doing is the destruction of our criminal justice system and the very fabric of our community. On his first official day in office, Gascón rankled supporters by his stop to seeking the death penalty and trying juveniles as violent felonies.**

**Most controversially, Gascón attempted to ban all sentencing for a variety of offenses, including gun and gang crimes. But he**



**allow line prosecutors to continue seeking hate crime enhancements from dismissing enhancements on current cases.**

**Dr. Rahn Minagawa, a psychologist who supports Gascón's juvenile responses, and their brains don't mature until age 25.**

**"If you wanna go out there and act like a man and shoot and kill  
Ostrowski – attorney and a former prosecutor.**

**As part of his reforms, Gascón has stated his office will not prosecute while discussing his first 100 days in office.**

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**2. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has  
dropped its bid for the death penalty against a Lancaster  
woman and her boyfriend, who are charged with the  
murder and torture of their 10-year-old son Anthony  
Avalos.**

**3. Tania Owen, Co-Chair of the Recall George Gascon campaign.**

***Tania's husband was former Los Angeles County Sheriff's Sergeant Steve Owen. Deputy Owen was killed execution-style by a career criminal and repeat offender while responding to a call. The murderer may now receive a drastically reduced sentence under Gascon's policies.***

- 3. Desiree Andrade, Recall George Gascon campaign organizer.**

***Desiree Andrade's twenty-year-old son Julian was brutally murdered in in 2018 (stabbed beaten and thrown off a cliff by a group of guys). The killers will be eligible for parole under Gascon's policies (they otherwise would have at least faced life in prison)***

- 5. Whittier Mayor Joe Vinatieri criticized Gascón for no longer seeking the death penalty for a gang member accused of fatally shooting Whittier Officer Keith Boyer and trying to kill Whittier Officer Patrick Hazell in 2017."**
- 6. In September 2017, 40-year-old Ontario Courtney's car broke down in the wrong neighborhood in South LA, in an area that was controlled by the Hoover's gang. While he was waiting for AAA, a vehicle full of four Main Street Mafia Crips gang members spotted him, pulled up, and shot at him at least 36 times, according to prosecutors.**

**One of the shooters who was later charged Courtney's murder was Main Street Mafia Crips member Jalen Yoakum, who was 17 at the time and had a lengthy criminal record.**

**With all this evidence, it should be easy to transfer him to adult court. But Gascon withdrew the transfer motion upon taking office, and also filed to drop all gang and gun enhancements against Yoakum.**

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## **No COVID "herd immunity"**

**by Robert Bush**

**We have focused on that point in the future when so many people have been inoculated or have obtained natural immunity, normal life could resume and this painful period would dissolve into the mists of history.**

**It seems that this magical moment in which the U.S. hits "herd immunity" and COVID-19 is stopped dead in its tracks isn't likely to happen soon, if ever.**

**Top health experts now say that due to a combination of waning demand for vaccines, uneven vaccination levels across the country and the spread of more contagious**

**strains, the U.S. may have to live with COVID-19 for the foreseeable future.**

**Leaders in government and community should do more to rekindle the public's interest in getting inoculated.**

**More than half of adults in the U.S. have received at least one dose and about 40% are fully vaccinated. But demand for both first and second shots is dropping and could hit a wall soon.**

**Kids under age 16 still aren't eligible for inoculation. (although those between the age of 12 and 15 may soon qualify).**

**Somewhere between one-fifth and one-quarter of Americas adults are reluctant to get a shot at the moment. Science has not yet established the threshold level of immunity in the population that renders SARS-CoV-2 incapable of spreading. It could be as low as 60% or as high as 90%.**



**It's hard to see the U.S. ever reaching a point where COVID-19 is as rare as bubonic plague.**

**While the U.S. may not be able to eliminate COVID-19, it can reduce the threat to manageable levels.**

**California has some of highest vaccine acceptance rates of any state along with pandemic measures so strict they sparked a political revolt.**

**California health officials reported the lowest per capita coronavirus case rate in the nation last week and the state is on track for a full reopening next month.**

**But California isn't an island, it's only as safe as the rest of the world.**

**COVID-19 Vaccines**

**Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine 2 doses  
96% Effective**

**Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine 2 doses 96%  
Effective**

**Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine 1 dose  
72% Effective**

**“This past week we saw much fewer people coming in to get vaccinated,” L.A. County Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer said during a news briefing Thursday. “For the first time ever, we’ve had appointments at many vaccination sites that have not been filled.”**

**People seem to have lost interest in getting vaccinated and it started with the federal government’s decision to pause distribution of the one-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine following reports of a rare but dangerous blood clotting disorder in people who had gotten the shot.**

**The shots were cleared for use again after health officials determined the risk of such severe side effects was extremely low, affecting only a handful of people.**

**“It’s a setback because for us to achieve that 70% herd immunity, we really need to be firing full [on] all cylinders — Pfizer, Moderna and J&J.”**

**According to a recent Washington Post-ABC News poll, fewer than 1 in 4 unvaccinated Americans said they would be willing to get the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, and fewer than half said they consider the brand very or even somewhat safe.**

**Long before there were reports of blood clots, there were concerns that the Johnson & Johnson vaccine was a second-class shot when compared with offerings from Moderna and Pfizer.**

**What is clear, though, is that the pause in distribution in Johnson & Johnson, however necessary, has only reinforced the notion that the one-shot vaccine shouldn’t be trusted.**

**The irony is that few companies have been dragged more — and by Black people in particular — than Johnson & Johnson for “hiding” potential problems with their products.**

**Nearly a year ago, the company announced that it was discontinuing sales of its talc-based baby powder in North America, bowing to the reality that it was unlikely**

**to overcome the questionable narrative that its product causes ovarian cancer.**

**At issue is whether the talc contained trace amounts of asbestos. The science is inconclusive at best, as multiple studies have shown, including one last year in the Journal of the American Medical Assn. Meanwhile, Johnson & Johnson continues to say its baby powder is safe.**

**And yet, it took consumer advocates asking questions about asbestos and then litigation for it to come out that Johnson & Johnson had discussed the issue internally for decades and had developed a cornstarch alternative.**

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## **Resident Community Meeting**

### **er: Jonathan Hatami Deputy DA Los Angeles County Discusses and George Gascon's Special Directives**

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**ted to 100 participants so arrive early**

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**uestions for Jonathan Hatami via e-mail before the meeting**

**ami is a 15-year veteran prosecutor of the Los Angeles Co  
ice. Hatami is currently assigned to the Complex Child Abuse ur**

**han Hatami will offer us insight into crime in LA County as a whole  
cities.**

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**provide insight as to why cities have issued a vote of no confidence**

**discuss special directives enacted by District Attorney George Gascón  
key parts of the local criminal justice system:**

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**Directive 20-06: Pretrial Release Policy, which eliminated cash bail for minor, non-serious felony, or non-violent felony offense.**

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in Gascon

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Dear Mayor and City council

Releasing 76,000 inmates who are violent etc is a dereliction of duty by Gascon. He's been horrible for San Fransisco and now he's destroying LA County. Please vote "no confidence" with Gascons plan. He's ruining our county and we have more crime perpetrated on our city's residents and it's businesses than ever before. It's a revolving door for criminals who want to shoplift, burglarize and trespass in our town. Guns are being confiscated by criminals more than anytime before in our city. We need to give our MBPD more money in the budget to hire more police officers. It's your job to insure our MBPD is functioning to combat these issues and to show Gascon that his policies are not supported here in this town.

Thank you for your hard work

Best

Maureen and David Denitz

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** robertbush dslextreme.com <robertbush@dslextreme.com>  
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In juvenile court, offenders do not face incarceration in the state prison system. While some of Munoz's relatives have called for the case to be tried in adult court, Los Angeles County Dist. Atty. George Gascón has barred prosecutors from trying teens as adults. It was not uncommon, however, for similar cases to be tried in juvenile court under Gascón's predecessors.

The 17-year-old teen is the son of James Khuri — a multimillionaire who owns several real estate firms and an e-commerce business. Munoz's loved ones have repeatedly accused police and prosecutors of treating the teen differently due to his father's wealth and influence.

How would you react if your loved one was killed in vehicular manslaughter accident? Would you be satisfied with probation? Should the teen be tried as an adult?

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**From:** MaryEllen Udovich <maryellen.udovich@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 27, 2021 9:35 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Vote of no-confidence

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Hello Council,

I am writing to share my support for a vote of no confidence in George Gascon.

MaryEllen Udovich

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MaryEllen Udovich

[Maryellen.udovich@gmail.com](mailto:Maryellen.udovich@gmail.com)

646.370.9000

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**From:** mmacheret <mmacheret@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 2:47 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No Confidence in DA Gascon

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I know you have received some detailed emails regarding the dereliction of duty charges against George Gascon. I will not bore you with repeating them.

I ask you to all vote No Confidence in DA Gascon for betraying the voters by making false promises of “reform”, and then putting innocent civilians in danger.

Michael Macheret  
Homeowner in Manhattan Beach for 27 years

Sent from Michael's iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Drew S <drews6854@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 26, 2021 11:38 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Resolution of Non-confidence against Gascon

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I urge you to please support this resolution. I do not say this from the perspective of partisan ship. I simply believe legal reform should be accomplished via legislation or ballot measures.

Thank you for your consideration

Drew Shearer  
Manhattan Beach resident

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** PAMELA DAVIDSON <davidson@ucla.edu>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 25, 2021 3:51 PM  
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Dear Mayor Hadley and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am writing to advocate for the Gascon Recall.  
What does the evidence suggest so far?

Judge Blocks LA District Attorney's Reforms (February 9, 2021 4:17 AM ET)

"The court ruled that the District Attorney's policy violated the law to benefit criminal defendants and ordered him to comply with the law," the union said in a statement. "This ruling protects the communities which are disproportionately affected by higher crime rates and those who are victimized."

<https://www.npr.org/2021/02/09/965673109/judge-blocks-l-a-district-attorneys-reforms>

**Already, 2021 Is Taking A Deadly Turn**

<https://patch.com/california/los-angeles/already-2021-taking-deadly-turn>

**Shootings increase in LA in 2021 compared with 2020 - ABC7 ...**

<https://abc7.com/los-angeles-shootings-crime-la-homicide/10391530/>

**Los Angeles seeing spike in homicides in 2021 so far - ABC7 ...**

<https://abc7.com/los-angeles-homicides-murder-lapd/10325047/>

**300+ homicides: Council presses LAPD on 'dramatic' rise in ...**

<https://www.dailynews.com/2021/02/17/300-homicides-council-presses-lapd-on-dramatic-rise-in-violent-crime/>

Thanks for your continued due diligence on these matters.

We are grateful for all you do to protect our City and support our outstanding Police Department, led by our impressive Chief Derrick Abell!

Sincerely, Pamela Davidson



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Lucia La Rosa <larosa\_lucia@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 24, 2021 5:00 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] My comments in the last City Council Hearing and Resolution of Non-Confidence against DA Gascon

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Dear Mayor Hadley and Dear Councilmembers,

I am aware that my public comments in the last City Council hearing have been attacked in an email to you as false and dishonest. These attacks are unfounded, uninformed, and inaccurate. I had not prepared written remarks because I had not planned to speak until another resident defended Gascon's policies in a comment that sounded very elitist and merited a response.

The bad effects of Gascon's policies will be felt in our town, and in fact they already are. Still, it might be easy to disregard an increase in crimes/property crimes/early release of criminal offenders when the privileges of your wealth protect you, or you are defended by the walls of a gated community with private security. So, I hope that when you consider the effects of Gascon's policies, you consider not just Manhattan Beach – and gated communities like Manhattan Village - but Greater Los Angeles, because the most likely victims of crimes – including property crimes – are the poor and the minority communities that we have as neighbors. (See [Poor people are more likely to be victims of violent crimes, says report \(wesh.com\)](#); [Young, Poor, Urban Dwellers Most Likely to Be Crime Victims \(gallup.com\)](#); [Bureau of Justice Statistics \(BJS\) - Household Poverty and Nonfatal Violent Victimization, 2008-2012](#)).

I hope though that the resolution of non-confidence in Gascon does not become another reason for divisions in our city. This is not a partisan issue but an issue of legality. By way of example, I am against the death penalty. Years ago, I collected signatures to put the abolition of death penalty on the ballot, and ultimately did not prevail. What is important is that legal reform should be done in the correct, democratic and legal way – through legislation or ballot measures – not by directing District Attorneys to ignore the existing law. The District Attorney is *not* the legislature, and Gascon's efforts at undermining the very laws that he was elected to enforce is a gross breach of public trust, and merits a resolution of non-confidence.

**It has been alleged that I lack honesty, and that it was false to state that Gascon's policies will lead to the early release of rapists, murderers, and abusers back onto our streets. I will address each of these statements separately to clearly refute the absurd allegation that I spoke falsely or dishonestly. I apologize in advance for the length.**

### 1) GASCON'S POLICIES LEAD TO THE EARLY RELEASE OF RAPISTS

Such early release is the result of Gascon's Special Directive 20-14, alone and/or in combination with Special Directive 20-9.

Before Gascón's tenure, the prosecutor's office routinely sent representatives to hearings to argue against early release of offenders. But Gascón's **Special Directive 20-14** compels prosecutors to "*support in writing the grant*

of parole” for every person who has “*already served their mandatory minimum period of incarceration*”. He has formally directed his employees to actively support the release of all convicts after their minimum terms. This is not even a direction to remain neutral. This is a direction to actively help to release felons, regardless of circumstances.

While Gascón argues that automatic opposition to parole results in unjustifiably long prison sentences and does harm to communities, **the matter of fact is this policy leads to the early release of very dangerous criminals, including convicted rapists.**

Take the case of Ruben Beltran, a 46-year-old San Fernando Valley handyman and ex-Marine who was convicted in 2004 of sexually assaulting a brother and a sister, **ages 8 and 6**. Beltran was condemned to a life in prison sentence. He was up for parole in March 2021. On December 8, 2020, the mother of the victims received a phone call from the Deputy DA who had successfully prosecuted Beltran, informing her that the office will not be supporting the family to request a denial of parole at the upcoming parole hearing, pursuant to Gascón’s directive.

On January 21, 2021, at the victims’ request, Supervisor Kathryn Barger sent a letter to the DA office asking to make an exception in the Beltran case. Supervisor Kathryn Barger also urged the Board of Parole Hearings commission members to deny a parole request in the case of Ruben Beltran. Thanks to the exceptional intervention of Supervisor Barger the parole board decided to postpone the proceedings for Beltran until 2022. **However, District Attorney Gascon never flinched and the LA DA Policy stands.** This means many more victims and their families will be robbed of justice. How many victims can count on the personal intervention of a County Supervisor on their case?

**This case illuminates how Gascón’s policy regarding parole hearing leads to the early release of convicted rapists – even child rapists as in this case. Unless, of course, a County Supervisor is available to intervene.**

## **2) GASCON’S POLICIES LEAD TO THE RELEASE OF MURDERERS**

In addition to establishing new parole policy, Special Directive 20–14 also requires prosecutors to “join in the Defendant’s motion to strike all alleged sentence enhancements.” This means that for criminals who killed someone and pleaded guilty pursuant to a plea agreement to a lesser charge of manslaughter, but who could have been convicted of the more serious murder or attempted murder charges under certain theories (including felony murder), the directive makes them eligible for relief.

Essentially, they receive a double break: a person convicted of participating in a murder will have the murder charges, as well as all sentencing enhancements, dismissed. What remains, if anything, will be any sentence for a lower-level crime committed during the course of conduct, such as robbery or burglary. The shorter length of these sentences will often result in the offender being eligible for *immediate release* based upon time already served.

And it has already happened. This directive has already led to the early release of a convicted murderer of Marquis LeBlanc. When LeBlanc tried to dance with some girls at a party, more than a dozen men attacked him on the street, stomped on him, pulled his pants down, called him the N-word, stabbed him twice --once through the heart --and then shot him in the head, and left him for dead, in what appeared to be a racist hate crime. Martin Hora was one of the people convicted of the killing; he was 16 at the time. He never showed remorse and even after the crime he kept addressing LeBlanc with the N-word. Thanks for Gascon’s directive, Hora was granted parole. Gascon had directed the deputy district attorney NOT to attend the parole hearing. LeBlanc’s grieving mother was left ALONE to confront her child’s killer at the parole hearing and make the case without any assistance from Gascon’s office.

This case shows that 1) Gascon’s policies do indeed lead to the early release of a convicted murderer; 2) this policy is unjust especially for the poor who typically lack the resources to hire counsel and in criminal cases

prosecutors is all they can count. Again, it might be easy to disregard this policy if you are wealthy enough to hire an attorney, . But if you are poor, it is devastating.

I must also note that Directive 20-14 also affects the early release of rapists. The best example is Joseph D'Angelo, known as the *East Area Rapist* in Sacramento, and *Golden State Killer* statewide, in the 1970's and 1980's. His case went cold for years until 2018, when D'Angelo was arrested and charged with killing 12 people and raping another 45 victims between 1975 and 1986. D'Angelo was eventually sentenced to life without parole for killing 13 people and raping 50 throughout the state. Under Gascon's new policies, Joseph D'Angelo would have been eligible for parole if the crime occurred in Los Angeles.

**Gascon policies never allows life without parole and allows the release of all criminals after serving only 15 years – even for the most heinous of rapists and murderers.**

Now, Gascon's supporters might argue that Judge James Chalfanv has ruled that Gascon's policy to end sentencing enhancements in criminal cases is unlawful. However, it would be ironic to use as a defense of Gascon, the fact that a judge has barred Gascon from implementing his very policies. Further, Gascon is undeterred and has already declared that he will appeal the sentence.

### **3) GASCON'S POLICIES LEAD TO THE RELEASE OF ABUSERS AND VIOLENT OFFENDERS**

Gascon accomplishes this results in multiple ways:

a) Gascon's Directive 20-06 (no cash bail) leads to the pre-trial release of arrested abusers and violent offenders and make more difficult to prosecute them in a criminal trial.

The cash bail system ensures someone's return to court for trial. It is true that not all developed democracies have a bail system. However, those democracies which do not have a bail system usually also do not require the presence of the defendant to his/her prosecution and allow a criminal trial *in absentia*, i.e., bail doesn't matter in those countries since they can convict without the defendant actually appearing in court.

The truth is a bail system improves the chances that someone returns to court in a criminal system like the US in which that return is a necessary condition for prosecution.

Gascon's no bail policies also mean abusers might be released back into society without having to cool off before seeing a judge -and this put their victims in danger.

Gascon's supporters argue that the bail system discriminates against the poor, but it is not accurate. This is prevented by the 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment, which requires a judge to look at the defendant's financial resources: A \$1 million bail for a rich person might be a \$1,000 bail for someone who is at the poverty level. The reality is that not requiring bail discriminates against poor victims more than it does against poor perpetrators.

b) Directive 20-22 establishes that domestic violence victims, even if served with a subpoena, will no longer be required to appear in court to testify. This might seem like a very humane proposal, but in reality, it undermines the ability to keep victims safe from future harm.

Any prosecutor with experience can confirm that the most difficult thing in cases of domestic violence is getting the victim to testify, and without victim testimony cases are severely if not totally compromised, because testimonial statements by a victim are not admissible at trial unless the victim comes testifies in court. Before Gascon's directive, a victim could have said that she or he testified because of the subpoena – the new directive

instead as DA Wallace notes “will signal to countless abusers that when a victim is testifying it is not because they are being subpoenaed but because they chose to.” This will absolutely discourage victims to testify and result in less prosecuted domestic abuse cases and in more dismissals of domestic abuse cases and in more abusers back on our streets.

And the victims of abuse will pay the price. Consider the case of Michelle Monson Mosure. Michelle’s husband Rocky beat her, threatened her and told her that if she ever left, he would kill her, their children and himself. Michelle reported the abuse to law enforcement. A few days later she recanted. The prosecutor did not compel Michelle to testify and therefore the charges were dropped. A few months later, Rocky kept his promise and killed Michelle, her children and himself. Under Gascon’s policy prosecutors can never compel the victim to testify – how many more cases like this will we have in Los Angeles? This is not a speculation – this is what has already happened during Gascon’s tenure in San Francisco - he had **the worst enforcement record on domestic violence cases in the Bay Area — dropping 6,200 out of 8,600 cases in recent years.**

**Gascon’s supporters may argue that his policy doesn’t release “abusers” in fact – it does worse: it never puts them in jail to begin with and does nothing to protect the victims.**

c) Abusers and violent criminals are also favored by Gascon also as a result of Directive 20-14 against crime enhancement.

One of the most basic enhancements is the use of a gun or weapon in a crime; another is if great bodily injury is inflicted on someone during the commission of a crime; another are gang crimes.

**The fact that these enhancements are not applied results in early release of violent criminals.**

Consider the case of the babysitter accused of beating baby Amber, a 6-month-old girl, with a blunt object, shattering the baby's skull and causing severe brain damage. The girl, now 3-years-old, is blind and forced to eat through a feeding tube. Under Gascon's new directives, the babysitter can no longer be charged with a great bodily injury enhancement which could have sent the woman to prison for up to 10 years.

Consider the case of Orellana, an alleged MS13 gang member charged in the brutal assault against a transgender woman in Los Angeles. According to the Los Angeles Times, the deputy district attorney prosecuting the case claims he has been blocked from charging the suspect with gang enhancement under order from Gascon. As a result, Orellana has been charged only with one count of battery. The gang allegations should have been filed but the prosecutor was not allowed to do so.

**This creates a perverse incentive for gangs to force juveniles to carry out crimes on their behalf. I know this because it is precisely what the mafia and camorra do in the country where I grew up – they use juveniles to commit the worst crimes, precisely because as long as they avoid very specific actions, they won’t ever be fully prosecuted.**

I could say so many more things and bring so many more examples, but this email is already too long.

You can actually read many stories of Gascon’s injustice here:

[https:// recallgeorgegascon.com/thevictims](https://recallgeorgegascon.com/thevictims)

I am an honest woman. I do not lie. I do my homework before formulating opinions or taking positions.

I hope you now recognize that the absurd allegation to you suggesting that I am dishonest and that my assertions regarding Gascon are false.

This issue of District Attorney Gascon's policies and practices is an issue of respecting the legality of the current system, and in protecting the weakest among us. It should not be a partisan issue, and I hope we do not make it one.

Please support the resolution of non confidence against D.A. Gascon

Sincerely,

Lucia La Rosa Ames

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** BRUCE STAFFORD <lastresort@jps.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:34 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon vote

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Honorable Mayor and council members,

We are 53 year homeowners and residents and we wish a vote of No Confidence in George Gascon as you discuss this issue and vote tonight. He is an embarrassment to our legal system and hope to see him recalled.

We ask for your support of a vote of No Confidence as we join with other counties and the city of Los Angeles. Thank you for all you do to keep our city residents informed and safe.

Bruce and Toni Stafford 1804 Pine Ave MB, Ca

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Michael Holton <guardianbeyond@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:26 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Teachers see the affects on AAPI kids

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Dear City Council,

Our Asian community is often hidden and forgotten relative to other minorities and issues. Even in a year of heightened attacks on the AAPI community due to Covid-19 China backlash, our nation found a way to focus mostly on the BLM movement. Let's show our AAPI neighbors that we support them by passing the "Resolution Affirming the City of Manhattan Beach's Commitment to the Safety and Well-Being of our Asian American and Pacific Islander Community Members and Denouncing Xenophobia." Thank you Hildy Stern and Richard Montgomery for introducing and seconding the resolution.

Manhattan Beach's AAPI population is dramatically increasing and we share the South Bay with neighboring towns with even greater Asian concentrations. My wife who teaches in Manhattan Beach elementary schools has witnessed the influx of AAPI folks first hand and the challenges it brings for them. Teachers and kids struggle to pronounce kids names properly or get them confused with other kids. The AAPI kids often have stricter or less "American" culture oriented parents, which makes them feel separated from the other kids. This year brought additional scrutiny as some kids early on were fearful of Asians thinking they were responsible for Covid-19. It is important to make these AAPI kids (and their parents) feel welcome and respected. The AAPI resolution is a good step in that direction.

My wife and I are residents of Manhattan Beach for over 30 years with three kids who have gone through the Manhattan Beach school system.

Michael Holton

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mori Biener <mori.biener@vistasir.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] George Gascon

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I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. With the rise in criminal activity in our county we can't afford his experimentations.

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**From:** Heather Venegas <hvenegas@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:18 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fwd: We LOVE our outdoor dining!

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Wanted this to go to the full council! Outdoor dining is the best thing to find out of Covid for our family! Now we don't have to go to El Segundo or Redondo just to have nice dining options!

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**From:** Heather Venegas <[hvenegas@gmail.com](mailto:hvenegas@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Tue, May 18, 2021 at 9:42 AM  
**Subject:** We LOVE our outdoor dining!  
**To:** [rmontgomery@citymb.info](mailto:rmontgomery@citymb.info) <[rmontgomery@citymb.info](mailto:rmontgomery@citymb.info)>

Mr Montgomery,

We are long time Manhattan Beach residents (20+ years) and I wanted to write you this morning to let you know how much we value the outdoor dining for our local community! Not only is it wonderful for the residents and guests of Manhattan Beach, it is an amazing investment in our local restaurants who have had to endure such a challenging 12 months.

We would really love to see this special aspect of our city become permanent!! It's so wonderful! Thank you for your support!!

Heather & Marc Venegas

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Mike Simms <mike@simmsrestaurants.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:16 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Continuation of Temporary Outdoor Dining

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Dear Council,

I would like to express my support for temporary outdoor dining. This has been instrumental in making us solvent over the past year. While news about the virus is overall positive, there are still numerous other headwinds that have been created by the pandemic that we are still dealing with:

- 1. County mandated table spacing:** this drastically reduces the seating efficiency of our restaurants. Where before if we had 50 seats, we could easily seat all 50 and in some instances 55 by adding seats to ends of tables. Last Friday at lunch, Simmzy's was on a wait with only 60% of our seats were occupied. This is a worst case scenario; however, it is still a reality. The expanded decks are critical to our businesses until the county no longer requires table spacing.
- 2. Lack of Staffing:** Due to several reasons associated with the pandemic, we have 50 unfilled positions. This isn't going to be alleviated for a while. This lack of staff has made it impossible to reopen M.B. Post to 7 days a week and Tin Roof at lunch time. I doubt restaurants will be able to fulfill any lunch requirement in the near future.
- 3. Inflation:** The lack of applicants has caused all restaurants to increase wages in order to attract applicants. Protein costs (meat, poultry, seafood) are up 15% to 35%. No sign of this decreasing. These two increases in costs rarely happen together, so for them to both come now makes it even more difficult to remain profitable.

I appreciate your hard work in supporting our businesses and community.

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**From:** t dolim <tdolim@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:07 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] No confidence in DA Gascon

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Dear Council members,

I'm writing to let you know that I support your resolution expressing NO CONFIDENCE in the L.A. County District Attorney George Gascon.

Sincerely,

Mui Dolim  
1009 8th Street

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Karen Klink <klinky2@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:55 PM  
**To:** Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Steve Napolitano; Richard Montgomery; Joe Franklin; List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] "Don't adopt this resolution." Vote of No confidence for George Gascon

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To MB City Council:

**"Don't adopt this resolution."**

"Please put aside your personal view and think about what would be good for our entire city." Said a friend of mine. The D.A is not just Manhattan Beach's D.A..

If this is some sort of payback for Bruce's Beach... (that is what it feels like) it won't work. Almost half of Manhattan Beach voted for Gascon so how can you put up a vote of non-confidence? It is symbolic and nasty, Why put Chief Abell in this position?

**Much Gratitude,**

**Karen Klink  
310-339-9761**

**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** Joanne Hadley <joanne@hadleybiz.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:42 PM  
**To:** Suzanne Hadley; Hildy Stern; Steve Napolitano; Richard Montgomery; Joe Franklin; City Clerk  
**Cc:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Don't adopt "No Confidence" Resolution

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Regarding proposal of No Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón.

The city council's job is to create *local* policies. This is NOT a local policy.

So my message to the council is simple: "**Don't adopt this resolution.**"

Our city would not benefit from that...instead it lowers our confidence in our City Council members.

Please get to work on things the residents find more meaningful.

Thank you,  
Joanne Hadley

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Sandy Hilton <shilton321@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:28 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Sandy Hilton; brucemoe@citymb.info; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Concerns over Outdoor Dining in MB downtown district

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To: Members of the City Council:

It is my understanding that the Manhattan Beach City Council will be discussing outdoor dining in downtown MB at the May 18 meeting. I can not attend the meeting but wish to express my concerns over the proliferation of outdoor dining during Covid and the effects it has on the residential areas as well as the businesses in the downtown area.

First, please keep in mind that these outdoor spaces were designed as a TEMPORARY emergency measure designed to give TEMPORARY relief to existing restaurants in the downtown corridor. No one could have predicted that they would be up so long and now the amount of outdoor seating has grown exponentially. (In some cases - it appears that some restaurants now have more seating then they did with their inside seating). They were erected without a lot of investigation into the impacts on traffic, safety, accessibility, noise, parking and impacts to nearby residents. They were to be TEMPORARY and were designed as such.

The downtown corridor has now been essentially taken over by outdoor seating, reducing the already limited parking, reducing access to retail business in the area, creating traffic impacts, reducing drivability, walkability and increasing noise levels and disruptions to nearby residents. There is now an over emphasis and making the restaurants successful, but much less concern to the well being of retail businesses and residents.

I do not object to outdoor dining, but a careful study needs to be completed to determine an appropriate amount, safety, less impact to already limited parking, consideration to the other businesses in the area, reduction in noise level to residents. Parking has always been a problem, but now it is ridiculous. With the loss of so much parking, those seeking parking are using the few precious spaces left that accommodate the needs of the residents, (eg having deliveries or services to their house, having guests find parking, spaces for additional cars in the homes built years ago with small garages etc).

If MB is going to have some downtown outdoor dining, these temporary platforms first need to be removed and a serious study needs to be made with community input - to determine whether it is feasible with the limited physical downtown space, the density that it brings, the impact it has on the character of downtown MB and the impact on crime, traffic, crowds, noise, and costs to the residents.

Sincerely,

Sandy Hilton

129 13<sup>th</sup> St

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**From:** Joyce Handschumacher <handschumacher@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:25 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council Meeting - Crime, No Confidence, Outside Dining

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Dear Mayor & Members of the City Council:

As long time residents of Manhattan Beach, we are concerned with the increase in crime and the horrible changes in the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office under George Gaston (catch & release of criminals, no bail, treating criminals like victims and not supporting the real victims, removing enhancements, hiring inexperienced former public defenders into key prosecutor positions, etc). We strongly support a city declaration of "No Confidence in George Gascon".

Also, we support additional hiring of police for the city.

We enjoy the outside dining of our local restaurants and encourage continuing the outside dining in the downtown public parking areas.

Thank you,  
Joyce & Albert Handschumacher  
321 18th Street, MB

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**From:** Gary McAulay <gary.mcaulay@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 21-0148 time to roll back emergency outdoor dining

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Dear Council –

I supported the *temporary* outdoor dining in support of our restaurants, to employ workers and avoid restaurant closures during the COVID-19 pandemic. We all want our businesses to survive.

However, it was absolutely with the understanding that this was an emergency measure enacted on a temporary basis. I urge council to restore the downtown to its pre-pandemic condition as soon as possible.

Public space is a very scarce commodity. We cannot allow more and more encroachment for commercial and private purposes. We need our public space for mobility (cars, bikes, and people) and simply for open space, to alleviate crowding, and to be enjoyed by all.

Yes, dining al fresco is a pleasure, which is why I so much enjoy Uncle Bill's tiny patio, and the almost-outdoors patios that Hennessey's and the Kettle built on their property. However, the scarcity of parking and the narrow traffic lanes (yes, some in the community are dependent on autos); the traffic increase and the loss of parking in the surrounding neighborhoods; the impact on non-restaurant businesses; and the general crowding of our downtown won't allow for continued commercial appropriation of that space.

Visiting downtown has been turned into a crowded walk through one restaurant after another, dodging servers, busboys, and customers seeking tables, rather than a pleasure stroll to shop and consider dining. Our downtown area has been turned into a giant mall food court.

Please return the downtown area to its pre-pandemic condition. Make downtown walkable and enjoyable for everyone, not just diners, once again.

Respectfully  
Gary D. McAulay

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Carol Perrin <cplaw28@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:20 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Bruce Moe; Carrie Tai, AICP  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] OPPOSE RE: City Council Meeting of May 18, 2021 -- Agenda Item 21-0149  
-- Consideration of Extending Temporary Permits for Outdoor Dining

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Dear Mayor Hadley, Mayor Pro Tem Stern, Councilmembers Napolitano, Franklin, and Montgomery:

**EVERYONE LIKES OUTDOOR DINING - BUT NOT LIKE THIS!!** This is MADNESS in downtown MB.

No detailed studies were initially done regarding all the impacts of the outdoor dining platforms - which made sense when enacted, since this was supposed to be a temporary emergency measure for a limited time. But now that the City Council is voting regarding a potential extension to keep the platforms - **THIS IS NOT THE WAY!**

The specific problems these platforms are causing are real, huge and are going on now- and need to be dealt with before even thinking about an extension. There must be a **BALANCE** between the legitimate needs of the residents to enjoyably live and shop downtown while keeping the character of MB versus the needs of a significantly smaller group of restaurant owners? Issues:

**Traffic** - sometimes at a standstill.

**Loss of parking spaces downtown (71)** - we will ultimately lose all our shops for lack of parking and MB downtown will be one big food court.

**Trash everywhere** - so dirty downtown;

**Crowd control** - streets are ridiculously overcrowded - no thought to pedestrian movement and access - no wheelchair can get through a street downtown - ridiculous for locals to try and shop downtown..

**Bicycle use** -impossible for a bicycle to safely navigate downtown.

**Ingress and egress into our residences** -Getting in and out of traffic to leave or return home is sometimes impossible.

**Fire department** - access is limited.

and **ALL THE NUISANCES** - the increase in noise, trash, **CRIME**, etc. from all the added people/density coming to MB.

**AND THIS IS ALL WITHOUT THE HUGE CROWDS THAT WILL SOON BE HERE FOR THE SUMMER!** Imagine the problems when summer camps start, when big MB events like 6 Man are going on and the police/fire department need to set up areas for emergency and other uses! You can't put the genie back in the bottle!

If MB is going to even consider downtown outdoor dining, **these temporary platforms first need to come down**, and a serious study needs to be made with community input - to determine whether it is in any way workable with the **limited physical downtown space**, the **density** that it brings, the impact it has on the **character of MB** and the impact on **crime, traffic, crowds, noise, filthy streets**. etc. And the **INCREASED COST** to the City of paying for all these impacts and the additional personnel, equipment and services they require **need to be addressed first - not after the fact**.

Let's please remember that the restaurant owners invested in the platforms knowing and agreeing that they would come down 90 days after indoor dining commenced - **they are the ones asking to change what they agreed to**. The restaurant's issue is that they have to make up for lost revenue. But that's why we had the platforms to begin with - **and the residents were fully on board**. But many of the restaurants, now that indoor dining is and has been at 50% capacity and increasing - have and have had hugely more tables than they had pre Covid - and they have not had to pay for the outdoor space. How many of us would like to have a business with free rent? And anyone who eats downtown knows that with the indoor and outdoor restaurant spaces combined- there are so many more diners - regardless of the comments being made by the restaurant owners. And if it is so financially bad - why are more and more restaurants - even now - clamoring to come to MB?

All of this hyper RESTAURANT activity downtown **changes the entire character of MB** from a residential community with mixed use attributes **into a TOURIST DESTINATION**. It also goes against the mission statement of MB. Manhattan Beach was already a destination - and our infrastructure was already stretched to the max because of our beautiful beaches prior to COVID. We have very limited physical space - MB simply was not built to handle the type of density the platforms are intensifying!

I urge the Council to do the right thing. Keep the agreement the restaurant owners made with the City and end the platforms on June 14th. If outdoor dining is to be considered in downtown - we must start from scratch and do a careful evaluation of what Manhattan Beach should be - and what MB is physically able to sustain.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Carol Perrin  
Representative of the Downtown Residents Group

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**From:** SCHMITT JOHN <johnbschmitt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:20 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council

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Dear Council Members.

We would like to express our concern over the possibility of making the outdoor dining on Manhattan Beach Blvd and Manhattan Avenue permanent. We have lived in the downtown community for 31 years and have always enjoyed being close to the restaurants and shopping. Manhattan Beach had a friendly, open feeling and visitors and residents both enjoyed the beach environment.

The move to outdoor dining on a temporary basis was endorsed by residents because we realized that the pandemic could easily ruin the restaurant business. We were pleased to see that so many were able to survive the year and we understood the increased traffic, decreased parking, and reduced access to our homes and businesses would be temporary.

Outdoor dining inhibits traffic, makes it very difficult to see around at intersections like 12th and Manhattan Ave or Ocean and MB Blvd, and is already looking trashy, detracting from the beauty of our city. We don't need the downtown area to become a food court, rather, we should move to restore what made our city unique where businesses and restaurants existed successfully and residents were proud of the area.

Please do not extend the outdoor dining or move to make it permanent. We believe that the restaurants have recovered and the city is ready to return to normal.

Sincerely,

John and Evelyn Schmitt  
1148 The Strand  
424-634-1435

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Tracy Livian <tlivian@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor restaurants

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Hello. I live on 12th st in MB. I love having the outdoor dining in MB. Can't imagine not having it. Hope it stays!!

Tracy and Andy Livian.  
124 12th st  
MB

Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Shannon Shelton <shanshelton13@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:03 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Extend Outdoor Dining

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My Name is Shannon Shelton. I'm a born and raised Manhattan Beach resident. I vote yes on extending outdoor dining through Summer. It helps our restaurants and retailers tremendously. Plus, they spent a lot of money to make that possible. It's finally set up and running smoothly...don't make another change.

I also think outdoor dining should be a permanent option in the future. We are at the beach, with beautiful ocean views and you can't even sit outside!

Thank you.

Shannon Shelton

## Martha Alvarez

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Thank you.

Shannon Shelton

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Paul J. Gross <pjgross@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:57 PM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Cc:** Steve DeBaets  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council - Finish Funding of Scout / Seniors Building Covid Relief

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Please consider using windfall Covid Relief funds to finish the funding of the new Scout / Seniors building that is presently going through plan check. This will give us a firm schedule for this important addition to our infrastructure and is as "shovel ready" as something can get. Thank you for your consideration.

Paul Gross

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bradford Williams <bradfordp47@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:54 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gaston

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I support the City Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney General Gaston.

Regards,  
Brad

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Brian Sweeney <basland@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:32 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining - Downtown Resident in support

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Dear City Council and City Manager,  
Thank you for opening up our City to new ideas.  
A great idea that came out of the pandemic was the installation of outdoor dining.  
Our restaurants had a very difficult time during the pandemic and it is great that the City made this opportunity available.

I have resided in Manhattan Beach since 1999.  
Our home in downtown Manhattan Beach is very close to the restaurants utilizing outdoor dining (there are few residents who live closer!).  
Eva and I, without reservation, support the continued use of outdoor dining in downtown Manhattan Beach.

Thank you very much for your consideration of keeping outdoor dining into the future as outdoor dining enhances our City.  
Best,  
Brian Sweeney  
116 11th Street,  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266  
Phone #: 310-720-4052

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Beth Wood <koster60@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:29 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Please consider making outdoor dining/seating permanent. It adds so much to the downtown.

Thank you,  
Beth Wood

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Julie Sinai <juliesinai@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:19 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Today's Council Meeting agenda - No Confidence resolution

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Dear Council members,

I'm writing to let you know that I support your resolution expressing NO CONFIDENCE in the L.A. County District Attorney George Gascon.

Sincerely,

Julie Sinai  
617 11th St. MB

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Marie Murphy <marie.murphy@me.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:39 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Dear City Council members & City Manager:

As a Manhattan Beach resident of 10 years, I would like to urge you to listen to our downtown restaurants and extend the outdoor summer dining for the summer of 2021. Our local restaurants took a huge hit this past year and deserve the ability to try to make back some of their losses. I also believe that the outdoor dining has created a more vibrant feeling downtown, one that will be very welcome this summer in particular.

Thank you,  
Marie Murphy

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** M. Movius <moviusm@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:55 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Outdoor Dining

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I am writing in support of continuing to allow outdoor dining on our sidewalks, patios, streets and in Metlox Plaza.

As a 23 year resident of the City, me and my family & friends are enjoying the ability to sit outside and eat a meal, something that it rarely possible to do in this City, yet can be easily done in other cities and countries across the world.

Please do not take this away.

Thank you!

*Maggie Movius*

*Cell: 310-529-1034*

*Email: [moviusm@hotmail.com](mailto:moviusm@hotmail.com)*

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Heather De Roos <heather.deroos@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:01 PM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment - Continue Outdoor Dining Allowance

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Dear City Council Members and Bruce Moe, Emailing to encourage you to continue to allow outdoor dining thru the summer at a minimum. I have lived in Manhattan Beach nearly 16 years with my husband, Dirk, and my son, Tate, and I am more proud than ever to live in our wonderful community. As you all know this past year has been challenging for our local restaurant partners. They have stayed open and committed to our community. Now is our chance for us to show our commitment to them as they strive to recoup the revenue they have lost and rebuild their businesses. Thank you for your consideration and your service.

All the best,

Heather de Roos  
612 25th Street Manhattan Beach

Heather de Roos 310-480-8005

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kelli Spriggs <kelli23@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:58 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining in MB

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Hello Council-members-

I urge you to allow dining establishments to continue to be able to use their new patios through the summer and beyond. My family and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for 12 years and dine out locally a lot. We are so happy that our favorite restaurants have been able to bounce back after the long closures in no small part to the outdoor patios. The spaces will be so great for our perfect summer beach weather. Please allow the restaurants to continue to operate with them so they can thrive financially during the summer months and we all can enjoy great food in the summer sun.

Thank you,

Kelli Spriggs  
607 23rd Street



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Robert Stephenson <bob@rsaac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:54 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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I have lived in Manhattan Beach since 1973 and I have never understood why we didn't have places to eat outdoors, We live at the beach in a State that is know for great weather.  
It took a pandemic to wake up and make outdoor dining possible. Don't take it away....EVER!

Robert Stephenson, CPA  
*Robert Stephenson An Accountancy Corporation*  
310 318 1592

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Phil Steinberg <phil.steinberg@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:48 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Recall DA Gascon

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I support the recall of DA Gascon, CRIME is and will get much worse with him as our DA. Biden's open border will cause Calif. to have many illegals coming here, including Man. Beach.

**Phil Steinberg**  
Mobile (310) 462-0698

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Larelle Rutherford <larellek@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:45 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] no confidence in George Gascon

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Manhattan Beach City Council,

*I support the Council's Resolution expressing no confidence in District Attorney George Gascon. The crimes we are seeing in MB cannot continue and we need to support our police and try to get things under control. My vote is to get George Cascon out of office.*

Larelle and Ed Rutherford

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** peterwhartshorn@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:14 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Clerk  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Extending outdoor restaurant dining.

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council Members,

I am writing to ask you not to extend the outdoor dining of downtown restaurants past the 90 days once the county and city approve indoor dining. We have all been supporting our downtown restaurants during Covid and will continue to do so but there are too many downsides to a longer term extension.

As we recover from Covid and more people come to our downtown, there is going to be too much congestion. The amount of seating, both indoors and outdoors, being utilized by restaurants while reducing parking, and increasing traffic friction will be an issue. It is a safety issue as well, too many cars and people in an area not designed to keep everyone safe. Our downtown area was not designed for this much activity and why should it be. We are turning our downtown into a tourist destination, a revenue source, and not an area that can properly serve our residents.

Prior and during Covid, the City has approved additional restaurant/bar space and hours along our street, the effects of which we have not seen due to Covid. Even with limited visitors during the pandemic, we have seen the extra debris and the inability of the restaurants to keep their activities contained within their spaces.

There was an agreement with the restaurants to allow them outdoor dining, but this should not continue longer term.

Thank you

Peter Hartshorn  
1300 Manhattan Ave

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Elyse Gura <evgura@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:14 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Elyse Gura  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Comments on May 18 Agenda Item 13: Consideration of Resolution Expressing a "Vote of No Confidence" in Los 21-0140 Angeles County District Attorney, George Gascón (City Manager Moe). CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 21-0042

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1. This proposed resolution is political overreach now and sets an unwanted precedent for the future

Whether or not someone agrees that George Gascon's policies are not good for California or Manhattan Beach, the proposed action by Manhattan Beach City Council to issue a Resolution of No Confidence is political, partisan overreach. It co-opts the voice and the vote that belong to ONLY to individual Manhattan Beach residents.

In addition, taking this action now sets a precedent for future MB City Councils to take similar actions in the future. While the majority of council members may support this action today because of their own political persuasion -- they open themselves to being co-opted by future similar actions.

2. This proposed action is outside the scope of City Council mission

City Council's scope of responsibility is identified in its mission statement: "...provide municipal services, preserve our small beach town character, and enhance the quality of life for our residents, businesses and visitors." Absolutely no data has been provided to demonstrate that proposed CA DA policies have compromised municipal services, our small beach town character or our quality of life. There is only innuendo and crystal-ball forecasting.

3. Approved California State procedures have already been used to prevent controversial policies from being implemented

Some of the controversial criminal justice reforms that Gascon has proposed have already been blocked through approved, normal legal channels. These include actions by the Association of Deputy District Attorneys and the courts. Therefore, the proposed action by City Council not only violates their obligation to be non-partisan, but also as ZERO IMPACT on outcomes.

IF COUNCIL WANTS TO SERVE THE RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND VISITORS OF MANHATTAN BEACH, THEY SHOULD OPERATE THROUGH ESTABLISHED STATE GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

4. Manhattan Beach would be better served locally by accurately reporting to Manhattan Beach residents, businesses and visitors on actual policy proposed and actions in progress to implement or block that proposed policy. FACT NOT INNUENDO OR WHAT-IFs. This monitoring and reporting could be implemented through several different departments or functions already established in MB City government.

5. Using Manhattan Beach voter statistics from the November 2020 election to justify this action is irrelevant, a distraction and a non sequitur. The conclusion that MB voters have or would approve this Resolution does NOT FOLLOW from the fact that a higher percent of MB voters selected Jackie Lacey over George Gascon

a) Those who preferred Lacey in November 2020 may oppose recalling or otherwise replacing George Gascon. Support for Gascon recall does not follow from MB voter preference last November.

b) Gascon defeated Lacey statewide, with 53% of the vote.

c) Jackie Lacey is not the replacement for Gascon. She has another job now.

d) Jackie Lacey was, herself, the subject of a recall effort in 2017

If a MB resident thinks Gascon should be recalled, then they should have the opportunity to individually voice their preference and have that vote counted, not buried in a partisan city resolution which is outside the scope of City Council responsibility.

In fact, taking this action sets a dangerous precedent for future councils to justify similar actions which current individual council members themselves may oppose.

Their action today may silence their voices in the future.

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Steve Meilicke <smeilicke@wedgewood-inc.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:10 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] MB Dining

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I understand you're considering permanent outdoor dining in Manhattan Beach. I've been a resident in Manhattan Beach for 15 years and love the change made during COVID to expand outdoor dining. This is not only great for local business but really brings the community together. Thank you for your consideration.

Steve

**Steve Meilicke**  
Chief Financial Officer



T. 310-640-3070 x2281 | C. 714-482-7692  
[SMEILICKE@WEDGEWOOD-INC.COM](mailto:SMEILICKE@WEDGEWOOD-INC.COM)

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## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kristen Weinstein <kristenwysh@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:06 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining

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Hello,

I wanted to express my support for the continued outdoor dining. These restaurants have been struggling for a long time and we need to provide an opportunity for them to thrive. We are a community who works together and supports each other. This is a way we can demonstrate that.

I also think it will cut down on traffic downtown as it will motivate residents to walk, bike, or uber.

Thanks,  
Wysh Weinstein



**Martha Alvarez**

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**From:** d. jones <acaptureddream@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:05 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Policy

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Good Day Mr major and council members,

I object to the passage of a "Resolution of No Confidence in George Gascon".

He is a person, an individual. Your personal opinion should not undermine the duties of the council to serve the city of Manhattan Beach towards its objectives of maintaining and creating a thriving community.

This is a absurd move to imply that the entire city should agree with individual vilification.

Keep your personal political views separate from running the administration and other legislative responsibilities.

Just as you can vote to make a change, so can the citizens of this city vote to make a change.

Respectfully,

Ms D. Jones

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Taylor Gamble <taylormgamble@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:57 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Do NOT support the proposed "vote of no confidence"

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Dear City Council Members,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing in regard to the proposed "vote of no confidence" with respect to District Attorney George Gascón. Using publicly available voting data, it is painfully obvious that the no-confidence vote in George Gascón is an issue that only about half of the voters in Manhattan Beach support. Regardless of how you slice it, a significant portion of our community either supported George Gascón or did not support either candidate. If the City Council truly wants to support the interests of our entire city, and unite our city moving forward, please put aside your personal views and table this issue. This politicized topic is outside the scope of the City Council's business and only serves to further drive a wedge in the citizens of our town. George Gascón was fairly elected and deserves the opportunity to do his job, just as Mayor Hadley was given the opportunity to serve the public when her mayoral rotation was up for vote.

Thanks all for your continued service. Have a great rest of your week.

Respectfully,

Taylor Gamble  
Manhattan Beach Resident

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Cathy Brooks <sydneyapril2004@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:47 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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Hi, my name is Cathy Brooks and I live at 421 second St. in manhattan beach. We have lived in manhattan beach for over 20 years and would like to see the outdoor dining continue. It is So wonderful to have the option to eat outside and really enjoy with the town has to offer. Manhattan beach always has such limited availability for outdoor dining so this is the best of both worlds. Please don't take it away.

Cathy Brooks  
310-213-2179  
Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Kate Arrigoni <katearrigoni@me.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:48 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Please Protect Our Community

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My name is Kate Arrigoni, I am a 47 year resident, and I love my town. What I am seeing unfold in our country is devastating and unnecessary. I believe humans are fundamentally good and loving people. I do not believe we are a community with race issues. Yes, in our history there are individuals that sought to keep certain people from residing in Manhattan Beach, but I believe we have risen above that. I applaud your decision to acknowledge our past, now we must move forward. This does not mean bowing down to the socialist liberal agenda that seems to be sweeping across our country.

Please enter a vote of no confidence in DA Garson. He is not fit to lead our city/counties judicial system. He is a disgrace to the professional, our community, state and our nation. He is completely in line with the socialist agenda to bankrupt the United States. We must start at the local level to keep our Constitutional Republic safe.

Lastly, I'm not sure of your influence with the school board, but Critical Race Theory MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO BE TAUGHT IN OUR SCHOOLS. I am one of the parents that pulled my child from MBUSD, I already saw many unsatisfactory teachings in the classroom and my husband and I are fortunate enough to afford private school, but not every family can. I am willing to fight for them. "CRT" is dangerous and teaches division amongst our children. I could go on and on, but I'll contain myself. It's bad.

Thank you for your time.

Kate Arrigoni  
310.614.5154  
Sent from my iPhone

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Amanda Welch <amanda.welch@me.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] outdoor dining

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Hello,

Please extend outdoor dining through the summer! We love it! Jeff and I (and our four kids) have lived in MB for 8 years. We love sitting outside because it feels like we are in Europe. Additionally, the restaurants can serve more people. Thank you, Amanda and Jeff Welch  
Amanda Welch amanda.welch@me.com

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** LINDA ROSEN <LRosenMB@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:41 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] support of outdoor dining

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Dear City Council members,

I wanted to voice my support for outdoor dining to continue at least thru the end of summer but hopefully longer. Our restaurants deserve the added patronage and it is also a way for people who don't feel safe indoors yet to enjoy eating outside.

These restaurants have suffered enough and put enough money into the beautiful outdoor structures that they deserve to keep them at least thru the fall.

thank you,  
Linda Rosen  
120 2nd Street  
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Laura Kiely <laurakiely@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:36 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Michael Kiely  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon

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Dear City Council,

We do not support a Manhattan Beach City Council vote of No Confidence for District Attorney George Gascon.

He was voted into office based on policies which he shared openly and honestly. The people of LA County have voted in support of his well known reform intentions.

It's inappropriate for City Council members to use their positions to undermine the voters' decision and advance personal political views that do not necessarily represent a vast majority of their constituents' views.

Gascon has only been in office for a few months, yet has been accused from Day One by inaccurate MB Next Door posters and some other community members of local crime increases that occurred well before his term began.

We believe he should be given a chance to do what he was voted into office to accomplish without interference by what are supposed to be local and nonpartisan City Councils.

It's too soon to evaluate his performance as DA, and issue a vote of no confidence.

Studies and data support that his policy decisions will reduce recidivism, mitigate the causes of crime, and deliver justice more fairly. (See attachment below that provides links to studies and data.)

But, if Gascon's policies prove to be deleterious to our City, then our residents can vote him out. Or, perhaps after such proof that his policies negatively impact safety in our City, it may be appropriate for CC to take action in the future.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Best,  
Laura Kiely  
Michael Kiely  
MB residents and voters since 1994

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**From:** Terri Premeaux <terrilaterprimo@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:35 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor dining

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The positive aspect in this pandemic has been the introduction of outdoor dining . MB. now aligns with the rest of the world . Having outdoor meals with friends and family is what life is about . Please make this permeant .

All the best,

Terri Premeaux  
310-867-0208

Sent from my iPhone



## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Bob Crandall <bobcrandall2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:35 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] outdoor dining

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Dear City Council:

I am Bob Crandall, a 25+ year resident of Manhattan Beach who has hated the age of COVID yet sees something great that has come out of it: Outdoor Dining!

I am hoping that the City Council sees to it that Outdoor Dining is extended throughout this summer and beyond.

Thank you very much for considering this option.

Bob

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Misha Bedner <misha@ninesixseven.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:30 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Jamie Bedner  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Outdoor Dining Extension

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Hello City Council,

I hope this note finds you well.

My family and I have lived in Manhattan Beach for the last 12 years. One of the key reasons we moved to this community was its embrace of the outdoor lifestyle- our kids play in the parks, my wife and I enjoy runs on the wood chips, and the entire family enjoys the beach. The introduction of the outdoor dining during the pandemic further enhanced Manhattan Beach's relationship with this outdoor lifestyle. We would love to see this arrangement continued through the summer.

Also, we are all well aware that our restaurants took a huge hit financially during the lockdowns. The augmentation of their seating via the outdoor spaces may hopefully compensate for some of the bleeding inflicted during the shutdown.

I thank you for your time.

Kind regards,

Misha Bedner  
(310) 502-4760

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Website - [www.NineSixSeven.com](http://www.NineSixSeven.com)

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Brown Jordan - Iconic Outdoor Innovators  
DEDON - Luxury Woven  
Gloster - Luxury Teak  
Tuuci - Made in USA - Parasols & Cabanas  
Vondom - Spanish Modern Outdoor

Lighting, Stone & Furnishings  
Alger-Triton - Custom Lighting for Public Spaces  
Chapman - Custom Lighting for Guestrooms

Delta Furniture - Custom Upholstered Furniture & Task Chairs

Lorts - Made in USA- Fine Furniture

Praxis - Beautiful Natural Stone

Refinishing Touch - Furniture Rejuvenating Solutions

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** Rory OBrien <captainowow@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:21 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] YES Vote of No Confidence AG Gascon

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Good Day,

We feel a vote of NO CONFIDENCE regarding gascon must be reached. His action/policies have resulted in disastrous outcomes. I don't need to list them as I feel the Lawyers around the country and California already have stated their positions as with many California cities as well. Do not fall prey to this man's (if you know your Constitution) obvious intent. Take action now.

Rory and Marie O'Brien  
Manhattan Beach

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**From:** Lena C. Adishian <lena.adishian@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:15 AM  
**To:** List - City Council; City Manager  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Resolution Affirming the City of Manhattan Beach's Commitment to the Safety and Well-Being of our Asian American and Pacific Islander Community Members and Denouncing Xenophobia

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Dear Manhattan Beach City Council,

I have been a Manhattan Beach resident for almost 6 years and love raising my family here. Our children attend Pennekamp Elementary where I serve on the PTA Board.

I appreciate the work the City Council is doing to make our community a safe and welcoming space for all members of society. I fully support the "Resolution Affirming the City of Manhattan Beach's Commitment to the Safety and Well-Being of our Asian American and Pacific Islander Community Members and Denouncing Xenophobia." Thank you for considering this resolution that is important to our community.

As an Armenian-American, I carry with me the family stories of survival during the Armenian Genocide and what dehumanization can feel like for future generations. It is so important to denounce discrimination and stand in solidarity with communities whose right to living a full and enriched life is threatened. It makes a difference not just for direct victims but for the future of society. I stand in solidarity with my AAPI friends and urge the City Council to support all efforts that bring our shared humanity into focus in this community.

Thank you Hildy Stern and Richard Montgomery for introducing and seconding the resolution.

Best  
Lena Adishian

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**From:** Katherine Urbon <katherineurbon@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:13 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] KEEP outdoor dining

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It's the best thing to come out of Covid. Makes dining in MB much better - more options and more inviting. Normally we would head to el Segundo or HB or RB for patio options that didn't previously exist in MB, but now we stay.

Katherine Urbon  
528 6th St, MB

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**From:** Michael Jenkins <mjenkins1230@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:04 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Gascon agenda item

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Members of the City Council:

I urge you to reject and abandon the proposed resolution of no confidence in District Attorney Gascon. This resolution does not reflect the views of a significant number of City residents and is a divisive measure that further serves to exacerbate tensions in this City.

Michael Jenkins  
44 year resident

Sent from my iPad

## Martha Alvarez

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**From:** George J. Dennis <georgejdennis@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:02 AM  
**To:** List - City Council  
**Cc:** Tallie Dennis  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] YES to outdoor dining

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Morning. Resident 20 years, living one block from several major restaurants including Simzy's, Mangiamo's, Love & Salt among others. I have experience no negative impact from the outdoor dining which has frankly saved our town economically during a terrible time in our country's history and also enhanced the beauty and commercial allure of Manhattan Beach — we have the best weather in the country, the most beautiful ocean/,breezes and fantastic dining options. PLEASE KEEP OUTDOOR DINING FOREVER.

Thank you,  
George J. Dennis  
302 11th St. MB 90266  
310-372-6420

Sent from my iPhone