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- >> WELCOME EVERYONE. IT'S TUESDAY MARCH 16TH. I WOULD LIKE TO RECONVENE US INTO OPEN SESSION. I'LL TURN IT OVER TO CITY ATTORNEY FOR AN UPDATE.
- >> THANK YOU, MAYOR. PURSUANT TO THE BROWN ACT DISCUSSED NEGOTIATIONS WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS AND GAVE DIRECTION AND NO OTHER REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN.
- >> THANK YOU. I WILL CLOSE THE CLOSED SESSION AND OPEN THE OPEN SESSION. I'D LIKE TO CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER. WE'LL HAVE A PLEDGE TO THE FLAG. PLEASE JOIN ME. I'M GOING TO PLACE MY RIGHT HAND OVER MY HEART. (PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE). OKAY. THANK YOU. CITY CLERK. CAN YOU DO A ROLL CALL FOR US PLEASE.
- >> (ROLL CALL).
- >> WE'LL MOVE ONTO LETTER D. I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF BRINGING UP 12 YEAR OLD RYAN. HE HAS THE DISTINCTION OF CLIMATE CHANGE.
- >> I'M HAVING DIFFICULTIES WITH THE PARTICIPANTS LIST. HERE WE GO.
- >> THERE'S, RYAN. HOW ARE YOU DOING.
- >> GOOD.
- >> THANK YOU FOR COMING TONIGHT. WE'RE HAPPY TO HONOR YOU FOR THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I SEE THERE'S 240 PEOPLE ON THE ZOOM CALL. PLEASE TELL US HOW OLD YOU ARE AND YOUR NAME AND WHAT SCHOOL YOU GO TO.
- >> MY NAME IS RYAN, I'M 12 YEARS OLD. MY MOM IS KATHY AND MY DAD IS TAYLOR. I HAVE A BROTHER AND SISTER. I WAS ABLE TO RAISE MONEY ON GOFUNDME TO PLANT EIGHT TREES. I RAISED \$6000.
- >> THAT IS FANTASTIC. WHERE DID YOU PLANT THESE TREES?
- >> I PLANTED FOUR IN POLLIWOG PARK.
- >> THAT IS FANTASTIC. HOW DID YOU COME UP WITH THE IDEA OF PLANTING TREES IN THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH.
- >> I NOTICED THERE WERE SOCCER PLAYERS WHO WERE TIRED AND IT WAS HOT IN THE SUMMER. IF THEY COULD HAVE A TREE TO REST UNDER THAT WOULD BE A LARGE BENEFIT SINCE IT WOULD KEEP IT COOL. AND MAKE THE CITY LOOK NICER.
- >> THAT'S FANTASTIC. TELL US ABOUT THE GOOD FUND ME. HOW MUCH DID YOU RAISE?
- >> SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- >> I LOVE THE STORY ABOUT GOING TO THE NURSERY. COULD YOU TELL THE STORY AGAIN PLEASE.
- >> I COLLABORATED WITH A LOT OF DONORS. AND I GOT THE MONEY FROM MOON VALLEY NURSERY.
- >> YOU WERE A MASTER NEGOTIATOR AND WENT IN THINKING YOU'D GET ONLY A COUPLE TREES AND GOT A GOOD DEAL AND GOT EIGHT TREES.
- >> I WAS ABLE TO GET A STUDENT DISCOUNT. INSTEAD OF THE TREES EACH BEING ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TO THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS. IT WAS BETWEEN EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. AND ALSO THEY WERE ABLE TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TIME NEEDED TO DIG

AND PLANT EACH TREE. THAT FURTHER REDUCED THE COST.

- >> THAT'S FANTASTIC. MAYBE YOU CAN HELP US NEGOTIATE SOME CONTACTS FOR THE CITY, GET US STUDENT DISCOUNTS. LASTLY I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR WHAT KINDS OF TREES YOU BOUGHT. WHY YOU DECIDED ON THOSE TREES.
- >> I DECIDED ON THE CALIFORNIA LIVE OAK AND THE CHINESE ELM. THE CALIFORNIA LIVE OAK IS NATIVE TO CALIFORNIA AND PROVIDES AS MUCH SHADE AS POSSIBLE. THE CHINESE ELM GROWS REALLY FAST WHICH IS ALSO AN IMPORTANT PART BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT THESE TO BE EXTREMELY LONG TERM.
- >> WHAT DID YOU SAY ABOUT THE DISEASES THEY BOTH GET?
- >> I PICKED THE TWO VARIETIES OF TREES BECAUSE IF A DISEASE WIPED ONE OUT I STILL HAVE THREE OTHER TREES TO LEAN BACK ON.
- >> THAT'S FANTASTIC. SO SMART. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING TONIGHT AN LETTING US RECOGNIZE YOU. NEXT MONTH IS EARTH MONTH FOR THE ENTIRE MONTH OF APRIL. WE'RE A LITTLE EARLY. WE LOVE TO PRESENT YOU A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND BEAUTIFYING THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND INVESTING YOUR OWN MONEY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU FOR LETTING US RECOGNIZE YOU TONIGHT.
- >> OKAY. THANK YOU.
- >> THANK YOU. BYE BYE. GREAT JOB. TERRIFIC. COLLEAGUES, WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM NUMBER TWO WHICH IS PRESENTATION AND PROCLAMATION DECLARING MARCH 2021 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH. IS THAT ON OUR SCREEN HERE? DO WE HAVE A PRESENTATION OR AM I JUST READING THE PROCLAMATION?
- >> I'M SORRY, MAYOR, CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?
- >> I CAN HEAR YOU NOW.
- >> WE HAVE SOMEONE TO ACCEPT THE PROCLAMATION.
- >> TERRIFIC.
- >> DO YOU WANT ME TO INTRODUCE MYSELF. THANK YOU MAYOR AND CITY STAFF. I'M THE BOARD MEMBER FOR THE CHAPTER THAT SERVES THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES AND PROVIDE DISASTER RELIEF AROUND THE WORLD. PRESIDENT FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT DECLARED APRIL RED CROSS MONTH. EVERY OTHER PRESIDENT FOLLOWED SUIT. MOBILIZING VOLUNTEERS AND THE GENEROSITY OF DONORS. WE TRAIN MORE THAN FOUR POINT EIGHT MILLION PEOPLE IN FIRST AID, CPR AND OTHER LIFE SAVING SKILLS. WE COLLECT BLOOD DONATIONS AND PLATELET DONATIONS. WE PROVIDE SERVICE TO HALF A MILLION SERVICE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. WE THIRTY MILLION PEOPLE OUT SIDE THE U.S. WITH DISASTER PREVENTION ACTIVITIES AND DISASTER SERVICES. IN RESPONSE TO THE PANDEMIC WE'RE PROVIDING VIRTUAL PREPAREDNESS TRAINING. SUPPORT FOR FOOD AND EQUIPMENT FOR PROTECTION IN OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES AND SUPPORT OF THE VACCINATION PROGRAM. RED CROSS BLOOD DONORS RECEIVE FREE COVID 19 TESTING AND WE'RE PROVIDING PLASMA FOR THE MOST SEVERE VICTIMS. I SPENT YEARS IN THE NAVY AND WITNESS FIRSTHAND THE LINK BETWEEN THE RED CROSS AND THE SERVE MEMBERS IN THEIR MOST CHALLENGING TIMES. WE'LL BE LIGHTING UP BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES IN

RED LIGHTS FOR 140 YEARS IN SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITIES. OUR THEME THIS YEAR IS BE ALL IN. WE'RE ASKING EVERYONE TO DONATE BLOOD. YOU'LL FEEL GOOD IF YOU DO GOOD. ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS, THANK YOU FOR BEING ALL IN BY PROCLAIMING MARCH AS RED CROSS MONTH AND RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT OUR LIFE SAVING MISSION. IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION GO TO RED CROSS DOT ORG SLASH LA.

- >> WOW. THIRTY YEARS IN THE NAVY AND NOW THE RED CROSS. THAT'S QUITE SOME SERVICE. I HAVE A SON IN THE ARMY AND TWO SONS IN THE MARINE CORP.
- >> I DID A LOT OF WORK WITH THE MARINES.
- >> WE'RE HOPING TO DO THE BLOOD DRIVE SOME DAY SOON. WE'RE EAGER TO GET BACK IN THAT FIGHT.
- >> WE LOOK FORWARD TO COLLABORATING WITH YOU AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS GENEROUS PROCLAMATION.
- >> THANK YOU FOR HOSTING IT. WE'RE PLEASED TO PRESENT IT TO YOU. TERRIFIC. LET'S MOVE ONTO LETTER E WHICH IS APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES. WE CAN NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF ANY CHANGES. I'M LOOKING FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE.
- >> MOTION TO APPROVE.
- >> SECOND.
- >> WE'RE READY FOR THE VOTE.
- >> I JUST WANT TO TALK QUICKLY ABOUT TOMORROW AS WE KNOW IS ST. PATRICK'S DAY. PEOPLE ARE EXCITED ABOUT GETTING OUT AND GOING TO OUR RESTAURANT ESTABLISHMENTS AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS THROUGHOUT OUR CITY. AS YOU PARTAKE IN ANY CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL, WE WANT YOU TO BE HEALTHY AND RESPONSIBLE AT THE SAME TIME. IN 2016 WE HAD 216 PEOPLE KILLED OR INJURED DUE TO DRUNK DRIVERS. WE WILL HAVE RESOURCES. DUI ENFORCEMENT TEAMS IN THE CITY THROUGHOUT THE EVENING. WE DON'T WANT ANYONE TO HAVE THEIR DAY OR NIGHT RUINED FROM DOING SOMETHING IRRESPONSIBLE IN THAT REGARD. WE'LL HAVE ENFORCEMENTS OUT THROUGHOUT THE DAY ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
- >> THANK YOU CHIEF. A TIMELY REMINDER. PLEASE STAY SAFE.
- >> SORRY FOR THAT LITTLE BUBBLE, WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> REGARDING ITEM NUMBER 12 WE RECEIVED 14 COMMENTS. REGARDING COVID ITEMS TEN E-MAILS. OTHER ITEMS FIVE E-MAILS. THE COMMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC THAT WERE RECEIVED UP TO FIVE THIRTY P.M. ANYTHING AFTER FIVE THIRTY WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC TOMORROW. UP FIRST WE HAVE CAROL.
- >> THANK YOU.
- >> HI, CAROL. CAN YOU HEAR US?
- >> HELLO.
- >> HI. IF YOU CAN PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AND YOUR CITY OF RESIDENCY.
- >> I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT WE DO NOT SUPPORT AN EXPANSION OF THE TASK FORCE INITIAL MISSION THAT THEY SHOULD KEEP TO THE INITIAL MISSION

AND I THINK IT WOULD BE UP TO THE PUBLIC TO STATE BY BALLOT WHETHER THEY SHOULD EXPAND THE MISSION TO EXPAND TO TAKE ON ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

- >> THANK YOU, CAROL, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JOHN.
- >> HELLO.
- >> PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.
- >> I'M TALKING REGARDING THE BRUCES' SPEECH ISSUE IS NOW A PROPER TIME.
- >> YOU ARE WELCOME TO SPEAK NOW OR LATER BUT NOT BOTH. TWO MINUTES BOTH TIMES.
- >> I'LL GO NOW SO IT'S FRESH IN YOUR MIND AND HOPEFULLY YOU WILL NOT FORGET IT. TELL ME WHEN I CAN START PLEASE.
- >> YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.
- >> MANHATTAN BEACH. MY POINT IS THAT THERE'S SO MUCH FICTION FANNING THE FLAME OF THIS BRUCE'S BEACH LEGENDS AND EMOTIONS. LETTERS AND DISCUSSIONS SAYING THE BRUCES WERE DRIVEN OUT OF TOWN UNDER COMPENSATED FOR THEIR PROPERTY. RESTRICTED FROM BUYING ELSEWHERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. HOWEVER, THE FACTS FOUND BY THE MULTI ETHNIC COMMISSION THE NAACP LAWYER, IT WASN'T A WHITE LAWYER, IT WAS A LAWYER REPRESENTING THE BRUCE FAMILY, THEY WERE WILLING TO SELL THE PROPERTY AT ANYTIME. THEY WERE NOT DRIVEN OUT. IT WAS EMINENT DOMAIN BUT THEY WERE GIVEN A FAIR PRICE. LA TIMES SAID IT WAS UNDER COMPENSATED. THEY WERE ACTUALLY OVERCOMPENSATED. THAT WAS NOT TRUE EITHER. THEY WERE NOT UNDER COMPENSATED. AND THEN WERE THEY RESTRICTED FROM BUYING? THERE WERE FIVE FAMILIES IN THAT THREE BLOCK AREA AND THERE WERE TWO OUT SIDE OF IT, OF THOSE SEVEN FIVE FAMILIES REMAINED. THEY WERE NOT DRIVEN OUT OF TOWN OR RESTRICTED FROM BUYING. THEY REMAINED AT THEIR CHOICE. SO NOW WE HAVE THE SITUATION -- THIS PARK AND MONUMENT PEOPLE ARE SAYING LET'S HAVE THIS MONUMENTAL RACIAL HATRED BECAUSE WHITE SUPREMACIST WON. IT SHOULD NOT BE FOR THAT. THAT WAS ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. THE PARK SHOULD BE NAMED A PARK. SOMETHING LIKE REFLECTION PARK BECAUSE IT'S NOT A BEACH. IT'S A PARK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING. WE DO NOT NEED ANY TASK FORCE ANY LONGER. WE'RE DONE WITH IT. THANK YOU.
- >> THANK YOU, JOHN. HAVE A GOOD EVENING.
- >> THANK YOU. YOU TOO.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JACKS GOLD.
- >> I'M HERE.
- >> IF YOU CAN PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD, YOUR CITY OF RESIDENCY. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.
- >> MY NAME IS CAROL. I'VE BEEN A TEN YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. MY WIFE AND I HAVE BEEN LIVING IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR THIRTY YEARS. WE OPPOSE BRUCE'S BEACH. I SENT A LETTER TO THE ENTIRE COUNCIL. THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACHES SEEMS TO BE REVISITED EVERY COUPLE OF

DECADES. THE ISSUE OF EMINENT DOMAIN HAS BEEN THE STORY OF OUR STATE SINCE IT'S INCEPTION AND IMPACTED OUR FAMILIES REGARDLESS OF RACE. IT HAPPENED TO MY FAMILY WITH OUR PROPERTY. THE TASK FORCE WAS CHARGED WITH DETERMINING THE WORDING ON THE PARK PLAQUE FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES. ANYTHING MORE IS OUT OF SCOPE FOR WHICH THIS COMMITTEE WAS CREATED. I WAS SHOCKED BY WHAT WAS PRESENTED IN APPENDIX FIVE OF THE REPORT. CLEARLY THEY HAVE AN AGENDA. BEYOND THE RECOMMENDATION OF PUBLIC APOLOGY FOR RACIST HISTORY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. THEY MAKE ONGOING RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING CITY PLANNING, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SCHOOL CURRICULUM, PARKS AND RECREATION, SCHEDULE EVENTS, CREATING AFFORDABLE PUBLIC HOUSING AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WHO STUDY RACIAL INCLUSION. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE BRUCE'S TASK FORCE BE RESOLVED. THANK YOU.

- >> THANK YOU, CARE FOR YOUR COMMENT.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JEREMY STERN.
- >> HI. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD, CITY OF RESIDENCY. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 12. TWENTY-SIX YEARS AGO TODAY THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE VOTED TO RATIFY THE 13TH AMENDMENT. AFTER HAVING REJECTED IN 1865. THE LEGISLATURE THERE RECOGNIZED THE EVIL OF ITS RACIST PAST. TONIGHT I ASK THIS COUNCIL TO APOLOGIZE FOR THE TRAGEDY OF THIS CITY'S RACIST PAST. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. I'M PROUD OF IT. THE CITY SHOULD ISSUE AN APOLOGY TO THE BRUCES AND OTHER BLACK FAMILIES THAT WERE VICTIMIZED BY THE BLATANTLY RACIST ACTS. IN THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON IN THE SPEECH PRECEDING DR. KING, HE SAID AFTER HAVING ESCAPED NAZI GERMANY. WE CANNOT ALLOW THAT. WE MUST COMMIT OURSELVES TO SOME FUTURE THAT CAN INCLUDE EACH OTHER AND WORK TOWARD THAT FUTURE TOGETHER. THAT'S WHAT I ASK THIS COUNCIL TO DO TONIGHT.
- >> THANK YOU, JEREMY.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE LUTIA JAMES.
- >> GOOD EVENING. I CANNOT START THE VIDEO. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WANT TO THANK ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE. I DO NOT AGREE WITH ALL THE THINGS SAID AND DONE BUT THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS, I WANT TO THANK THEM. THE CITY ABUNDANTLY HEARD FROM THE TASK FORCE. ASSUME YOUR LEADER ROLE AND BRING BACK ANY DECISION TO THE CITY COUNCIL. THE MORE YOU SHIFT DISCUSSION TO OTHER ELECTED BODIES THE MORE TOXIC THE CONVERSATIONS BECOME. PEOPLE ARE UPSET. RACISM IS IN THE DNA OF THIS CITY. THAT ALL OF US ARE WHITE SUPREMACIST AND THAT THE INCLUDE KKK IS HERE AND ALIVE. AS AN IMMIGRANT THIS IS A MULTI GENERATIONAL. THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH PEOPLE WHO LIVED HERE ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. THERE IS NO AGENCY BETWEEN YOU AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO OR BETWEEN YOU AND THE RESIDENTS OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. NOT LEGALLY OR MORALLY. YOU ONLY REPRESENT US. IF YOU APOLOGIZE YOU APOLOGIZE FOR US. YOU THINK WE HAVE SOMETHING

- TO APOLOGIZE FOR. YOU DON'T HAVE THAT RIGHT. NOT LEGALLY OR MORALLY. WE HAVE NOTHING TO APOLOGIZE FOR. WE ALL CONDEMNED RACISM.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE FRED TAYLOR.
- >> MY NAME IS FRED. I'M A FORTY YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M A BUSINESS OWNER OF 12 YEARS. AN ADOPTIVE DAD OF TWO AMAZING HISPANIC GIRLS. I VIGOROUSLY REJECT THE TASK FORCE THAT THEY PRESENTED MANHATTAN BEACH BEING RACIST. THEY INFLATE THE RIOT IN DC TO IMPEND THE WAY WE LIVE HERE. ONE PERSON WAS KILLED NOT FIVE. THAT HAPPENED TO BE A WHITE WOMAN AT POINT BLANK RANGE OF A CAPITAL POLICE OFFICER. THE REAL QUESTION IS MANHATTAN BEACH RACIST TODAY? I SAY NO. THERE WAS AN ORGANICALLY ORGANIZED VIGIL DAYS LATER AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE SHOWED UP TO SUPPORT THEM. I CAN ASSURE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THIS. CONSTANTLY PICKING AT DECADES OLD RACIAL SCABS OVER AND OVER WILL NEVER RELEASE FULL HEALING FOR THE CITY. IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE WHERE WE ARE AND NOT MANUFACTURE MORE ILL WILL AND DIVISIVENESS. I HIGHLY ADVISE THE TASK FORCE BE DISBANDED.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE LESLIE.
- >> HELLO.
- >> WE CAN HEAR YOU. IF YOU STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AND YOUR CITY OF RESIDENCY.
- >> MY NAME IS LESLIE AND I LIVE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. IT'S A GREAT CITY AND HAS GREAT PEOPLE. I FEEL SAFE ANYWHERE IN THE CITY. I DON'T FEEL THE CITY IS WASTING MY TAXES. SOME PEOPLE FEEL THESE RESOLUTIONS WILL RESOLVE RACISM. I SPEAK VEHEMENTLY AGAINST BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. THIS IS NOT A RACIST CITY. THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE AND WORK HERE ARE NOT RACIST. THERE'S NO NEED TO APOLOGIZE FOR EVENTS THAT HAPPENED OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO WHERE THE PEOPLE ARE NO LONGER ALIVE OR HERE. IF YOU ADMIT TO TRANSGRESSIONS OUT LOUD IN FRONT OF THE POPULOUS ALL WILL BE FOR GIVEN. MAKE NO MISTAKE, IF WE GIVE INTO THIS APOLOGY LETTER, THE INTIMIDATIONS, THREATS WILL CONTINUE. THEY WILL NOT BECAUSE WE CAVED TO THE FIRST ACCUSATION. AS TO THE FIRST RESOLUTION OF A BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. IT'S A WASTE OF MY TAX MONEY TO PAY FOR THE THINGS THE CITY COUNCIL SHOULD BE DOING. I KNOW FOR CERTAIN IF YOU KEEP THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE IT WILL BE USED FOR NEFARIOUS PURPOSES. SHOW SOME SPINES AND RESIST THE EXTORTIONS AND THREATS OF THE WORLD'S MOB.
- >> THANK YOU, LESLIE FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> I WOULD JUST LIKE TO REMIND THE PUBLIC AGAIN IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE COMMENTS AT THIS TIME YOU CAN USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE. THANK YOU. NEXT WE HAVE TOM AND BETTY.
- >> HELLO THIS IS BETTY 38 YEAR RESIDENT SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 12. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE MEMBERS. ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION EXCLUDE ANY REFERENCE TO MODERN RACIST ACTS.

RECOMMENDATION THAT THE WORDING SHOULD BE APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL. IT SHOULD NOT INCLUDE WORDS SUCH AS A PATH TO ANTI RACISM. THE TASK FORCE HAS DONE A GOOD JOB. THERE'S NO NEED TO BUDGET THE \$12,000 FOR THE TASK FORCE. I ASK TO CLOSE OUT THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE COMMITTEE AS THEY HAVE CARRIED OUT THEIR TASKS. THEY CAN SPONSOR THEIR EVENTS ON THEIR OWN. I REJECT THE APOLOGY AND ASK THE CITY TO DENOUNCE THE ACTIONS OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO WHEN THE CITY WRONGLY TOOK THE CITY BY EMINENT DOMAIN. I ALSO ASK THEM TO REJECT ANY FURTHER COMMUNITY FORUMS. THEY CAN FUNDRAISE AND DO SO ON THEIR OWN. THANK YOU.

- >> THANK YOU, BETTY FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JOSH MURRAY.
- >> PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.
- >> I'M JOSH. I'M CALLING IN FROM CLAREMONT I'M NOT CALLING ON A POLICY EACH. I'M CALLING ON BEHALF OF MANHATTAN BEACH LIBRARY. THEY HAVE CIRCULATED FIVE THOUSAND ITEMS THROUGH OUR SIDEWALK PROGRAM. ANYONE INTERESTED IN CHECKING OUT OUR BOOKS, CD'S, DVD'S IS ENCOURAGED TO DO SO ON OUR WEBSITE OR CALL US. I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE CHILDREN OF THE COMMUNITY TO ATTEND A INFORMATIVE ACTIVITY. THIS EVENT WILL FEATURE POCKET FULL OF COLORS. THE LACMA TEACHING ARTIST CREATING IMPRESSIVE PAPER SCULPTURES. TO SIGN UP FOR THIS VIRTUAL WEBSITE. I THANK THE COUNCIL SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.
- >> THANK YOU, JOSH.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE CRAIG DAVIS.
- >> THANKS FOR HEARING ME OUT. I'M GOING TO TELL MORE OF A PERSONAL STORY. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I LOVE MY NEIGHBORS AND COMMUNITY. WE GO ON TRIPS TOGETHER. OUR KIDS RUN IN AND OUT OF EACH OTHERS HOUSES. MY FAMILY IS BLACK. MY NEIGHBORS AREN'T. WE HAVE DIFFERENT VIEWS AND THAT'S OKAY. THE DIFFERENCE IS THAT WE REALLY TRY TO HEAR EACH OTHER. WE REALLY TRY. THIS IS IN MANHATTAN BEACH. WHEN YOU DO THAT, SOMETHING IMPORTANT AND AMAZING HAPPENS. YOU START TO AGREE ON THINGS REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU VOTED OF PEOPLE ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE SPECTRUM. OR WHETHER YOU GREW UP IN INGLE WOOD OR ORANGE COUNTY OR MANHATTAN BEACH. RIGHT IS RIGHT. AND WRONG IS WRONG. ABOUT A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. MANHATTAN BEACH DID SOMETHING WRONG. OUR COUNTRY WAS IN TURMOIL LAST YEAR SPARKED BY A WRONG. MANHATTAN BEACH LOCALS WERE TASKED WITH RIGHTING A WRONG IN OUR PAST. OUR GENERATION, THIS GENERATION WAS TASKED TO DO SOMETHING THAT THE GENERATIONS BEFORE US, THAT KICKED THE CAN DOWN THE ROAD FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS TO DEAL WITH. IT HASN'T GONE AWAY IN A HUNDRED YEARS AN THE SAD LEGACY OF WHAT MANHATTAN BEACH WON'T GO AWAY UNLESS WE DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. DO WE TAKE THE LAND BACK AND GIVE THE LAND BACK -- THAT'S NOT SOMETHING WE CAN DO.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE EMILY.

>> HELLO. I LIVE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT FOR FIVE YEARS AND EXPERIENCED IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE UNTIL RECENTLY WE WERE THE ONLY BLACK PEOPLE IN OUR HOUSE AND BLOCK. THAT ALL LIVES MATTER IS WHAT JESUS REALLY WANTS. YOU DON'T REALLY CARE ABOUT THE MARGINALIZED IN THIS COMMUNITY. THEY RELEASED MICRO AGGRESSION. WHEN THE RACIST TWO-PAGE AD CAME OUT THIS CITY ONLY CARES ABOUT THE RACIST WHITE RESIDENTS. MOST -- [INDISCERNIBLE]. AFTER THAT ADD CAME OUT IT BECAME CLEAR WHY ALL OF YOU CARED ABOUT REPRESENTING THEM. ALL OF YOU CARE ABOUT REPRESENTING THE RACIST WHITAGEORITY. YOU WANT TO PLACATE TO WHITE SUPREMACIST AND MARGINALIZE THE MINORITY COMMUNITY. IF BLACK PEOPLE ARE STILL LIVING OF THE GENERATIONAL TRAUMA. WHITE PEOPLE INVENTED RACISM. DO BETTER. SUSAN HADLEY, PLEASE RESIGN. >> I'VE LIVED IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. I RECOMMEND THE COUNCIL MOVE TO RECOGNIZE THE TASK FORCE INSTEAD OF MOVING TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. OTHERWISE IT COULD BE MOVED TO LEGAL COUNSEL. THE TASK FORCE MUST END TONIGHT. THEY PROPOSED RESOLUTION IF IT'S VOTED ON SOMEONE SHOULD MOVE TO STRIKE THE LAST SENTENCE BECAUSE IT INFERS THE NEED FOR FUTURE ACTIONS FOR THE NEXT HUNDREDS YEARS. STAND UP THAT REQUIRES THE NEIGHBORS TO SNITCH ON EACH OTHER LIKE THE OLD DAYS OF GERMANY. THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDS CONTINUED EFFORTS OF A PERMANENT NATURE FOR ITSELF TO PERFORM. IF YOU READ THE 21 ONGOING INITIATIVES ON THE LAST PAGE YOU CAN ONLY CONCLUDE THAT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BASED ON A FALSE PREMISE BY THE TASK FORCE THAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS GUILTY OF INSTITUTIONAL RACISM. PROPOSES TO CREATE AN INITIATIVE OF EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION WHICH SOUNDS NICE BUT IT'S NOT TO BUT INCLUDE THE ENDURING HARM OF SYSTEMIC RACISM. IT SAYS WE MUST REDRESS OR SET THINGS RIGHT BECAUSE IT RECOMMENDS REPARATIONS BY STATING IT WILL COLLABORATE ON GOING TASK FORCE WITH THE LA COUNTY REGARDING THE FUTURE DISPOSITION OF THE COUNTY >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

>> NEXT WE HAVE DAVID SCAR.

>> HI THIS IS DAVID SCAR OF MANHATTAN BEACH. WE SEE THIS AS A POSITIVE STEP THAT CAN ONLY BENEFIT AND CAN'T POSSIBLY HARM THE COMMUNITY. I HAVE THREE COMMENTS TO SHARE. I'M PROUD THAT THE TASK FORCE IS DETERMINED TO TELL A MORE ACCURATE HISTORY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M PROUD THAT MANY MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS RECOGNIZE IT WAS WRONG TO REMOVE PROPERTY OWNERS FROM THEIR LAND. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THE CITY ISSUING AN APOLOGY IS GOING TOO FAR. IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO ADMIT YOUR MISTAKES AND DO BETTER. I DON'T SEE HOW THIS IMPOSES ON THE RESIDENTS IN ANY WAY. THE RESOLUTION REFLECTS SELF AWARENESS AND HOPEFULLY SOME RO PROGRESS. I'M PROUD THAT THE RESOLUTION INCLUDES THE STAND UP PLEDGE. WE ALL NEED TO RECOGNIZE THAT RACISM STILL EXISTS AND STAND UP TO IT AND BE LESS CONCERNED ABOUT SNITCHING ON EACH OTHER. I WANT US TO COME OUT ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THIS ISSUE.

- >> NEXT WE HAVE A ZOOM USER.
- >> MY NAME IS VICTOR, MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M A U.S. BEACH. JUST CAME OUT OF ACTIVE DUTY. I BELIEVE THAT THE DIRECTION THIS COUNTRY IS HEADING IS NOT THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I'M ASIAN AMERICAN TOO. ALL THIS VIRTUE SIGNALING. WE WERE RACIST TOWARDS BLACKS. WHAT ABOUT ASIANS LIKE ME. THE RAILROAD WORKERS IN THE 1800'S. I NEVER HEAR THAT. YOU'RE JUST DOING IT TO MAKE YOURSELF LOOK BETTER. YOU DON'T STAND UP FOR ASIANS. YOU ASSAULT ASIANS. NONE OF YOU CARE ABOUT THAT. WHEN IT'S REPORTED IN THE NEWS. NO ONE CARES IT'S BLACKS ATTACKING ASIANS. WE'RE ONLY CONCERNED ABOUT BLACK PEOPLE. I GOT HAZED FOR FOUR YEARS IN ACTIVE DUTY. I'M STILL IN ACTIVE DUTY. I GET NO RECOGNITION AND NO SUPPORT AS AN ASIAN AMERICAN. PEOPLE DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ME BECAUSE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION. I WANT TO SAY MAYOR, YOU'RE DOING A GREAT JOB. FORGET THAT PERSON THAT CALLED FOR YOUR RESIGNATION. SHE IS MORE CONCERNED FOR TRANSSEXUALS GET THEIR GENITALS CUT OFF WHETHER WE GET COLLEGE SPOTS BECAUSE THEY GO TO BLACK KIDS. CHINESE PEOPLE WERE INTERNED. WE DIDN'T GET RECOGNITION. WHERE'S THAT RECOGNITION? >> THANK YOU VICTOR FOR YOUR COMMENTS. I APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE CHRIS.
- >> HI. MY NAME IS CHRIS. I'M A PROUD RESIDENT OF 20 YEARS. I WANT TO THANK THE COUNCIL FOR THE ISSUES AROUND BRUCE'S BEACH. I HEAR PEOPLE SAYING THAT THE REPUTATION IS GOING TO BE DAMAGED BY MAKING AN APOLOGY. THE REPUTATION OF THE TOWN IS GOING TO BE DAMAGED IF WE DO NOTHING OR TOO LITTLE. AN APOLOGY, ABSOLUTELY YES. IF YOU'RE MARRIED, YOU KNOW THAT APOLOGIES DON'T COST YOU THAT MUCH. THEY CAN WIN YOU A LOT OF GOOD WILL. ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE A HUNDRED YOU KNOW THAT THEY ARE NEEDED SOMETIMES. I THINK WE SHOULD GO FURTHER. WE HAVE A LIFE GUARD STATION THAT'S ADMITTEDLY OWNED BY THE COUNTY ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE STRAND. ALL THE OTHERS ARE ON THE BEACH SIDE. IT WAS A MESSAGE TO THE BRUCE FAMILY AN THE OTHER FAMILIES THAT YOU'RE NOT WELCOME HERE AND NEVER COMING BACK. WORK WITH THE COUNTY. THERE ARE SOLUTIONS THAT DON'T REQUIRE ANY TAX PAYER MONEY. I'M FLABBERGASTED BY PEOPLE DEFENDING THIS EMINENT DOMAIN. IT WAS ILLEGAL THEN. THIS IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO STAND WITH PEOPLE THAT WERE OPPRESSED BACK THEN. NOT THAT WE'RE GUILTY NOW. WE'RE NOT. WE'RE THE INHERITORS OF OUR HISTORY. CHARACTER COUNTS.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JAMIE.
- >> HI. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH FOR 12 YEARS. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I OPPOSE -- I DON'T THINK THAT WE SHOULD APOLOGIZE. THAT WAS WAY BACK. I THINK THAT ANYTHING OF A CURRENT APOLOGY WOULD LEAD TO FURTHER TROUBLE. NO ON APOLOGY. I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE A NEW PLAQUE. WE SHOULD HAVE A NEW ART PIECE. WE SHOULD ABSOLVE THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE AND NO ON THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

- >> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS A CALLER BY THE LAST NAME OF [INDISCERNIBLE].
- >> I'VE BEEN LIVING IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR 25 YEARS THANK YOU FOR OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. EVERY COMMUNITY IS A REFLECTION OF A LARGER SOCIETY. THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN PAIN. THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ANY PROBLEM IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD SOLVING IT. YOU MAY NOT BE RACIST BUT RACISM EXISTS IN OUR COUNTRY AND IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT IS SYSTEMIC AND UNFORTUNATE PART OF THE FABRIC OF AMERICA. IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU BELIEVE IN RACISTS OR NOT. IT'S REAL. MY FAMILY AND I ACTUALLY EXPERIENCE IT. AFTER LISTENING TO PEOPLE SPEAKING TONIGHT I KNOW RACISM IS ALIVE AND WELL. AS A BLACK WOMAN OF 25 YEARS I LOVE MANHATTAN BEACH THIS IS OUR HOME. ALL THAT IS BEING ASKED HERE IS THAT WE AS A COMMUNITY ACKNOWLEDGE PUBLICLY THAT A WRONG WAS DONE HERE. OWN THAT AND COMMIT TO NEVER A ALLOWING IT TO NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN. THAT IS WHAT AN APOLOGY AND A PIECE OF ART REPRESENT. A CONTINUED MOVEMENT TOWARD INCLUSION, SOLIDARITY SOMETHING THAT CAN MAKE OUR COMMUNITY STRONGER AND BETTER.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JASON BOXER.
- >> HI. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WANT TO USE MY TIME TO SPEAK AGAINST THE TASK FORCE AND PROPOSED APOLOGY ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT ACCUSES OUR CITY OF BEING RACIST. ALL OF THE PAIN YOUR FEELING IS NATURAL. I FEEL IT MYSELF. I WANT PEOPLE TO KNOW THAT IT HURTS WHEN SOMEONE CRITICIZES YOUR HOME TOWN AND YOUR MORAL CHARACTER. THAT IS NOT WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE. RECOGNIZING THAT SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAPPENED IN OUR CITY THAT NONE OF US IS RESPONSIBLE FOR. OUR NEIGHBORS IS DOING THE OPPOSITE OF ATTACKING OUR CHARACTER. RACIAL TERROR THAT OCCURRED IN OUR CITY WHEN WE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS WE CAN SHOW THE WORLD AN THE WORLD IS WATCHING US RIGHT NOW THAT WE'RE LOUDLY AND CLEARLY AGAINST RACISM. IN A POST GEORGE FLOYD WORLD WE CANNOT BE CULPABLE OF RACISM. WHAT WE ARE RESPONSIBLE IS ACTING WITH MORAL COURAGE TO HEAL THIS WORLD WE WERE BORN INTO WITH NO CHOICE OF OUR OWN. I'M PROUD TO LIVE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M PROUD TO BE WRESTLING WITH THIS >> THANK YOU FOR SERVING ON OUR SCHOOL BOARD.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE MASHA.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH ABOUT SEVEN YEARS. I WANT TO THANK THE COUNCIL. APPRECIATE THE TIME TO LISTEN TO ME. I'M HERE BECAUSE I OPPOSE -- I WANT TO ASK THE COUNCIL TO MOVE TO THE REJECT MAKE THE BRUCE BREACH A PERMANENT BODY. THIS TASK FORCE, THEIR GIVEN TIMEFRAME HAS COME TO END. I REJECT TO THE APOLOGIES BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING TO BE APOLOGY, THAT HAPPEN ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. I COME FROM A SOCIALIST COUNTRY. I FEEL PANIC. THE SAME FEELINGS I FELT BEFORE I COME TO AMERICA WHEN THE GOVERNMENT CONTROL. THEY USE THESE CALLED RACIST WHICH IS ONE OF MANY TECHNIQUES AND EFFORTS THEY STARTED WITH THE INTENT TO CONTROL AND DESTROY THE COUNTRY. I

FEEL WITH THIS TASK FORCE, I DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND WHERE WHY THIS IS STARTED. I JUST THINK I'M OPPOSE AND REJECT THE APOLOGIES FOR THE TASK FORCE. IT'S SO UNFAIR. I FEEL INSULT AND IT IS JUST A DIVIDE US. THAT'S WHY, YOU KNOW THIS IS JUST EVIL. RACISM, I CAN'T TELL IF I FEEL RACISM TOO. IF BLACK PEOPLE ATTACK ME HERE VERBALLY. I BELIEVE IN THE GOOD PEOPLE --

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JOSEPH.
- >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS JOE. I'M A 26-YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. RACISM HAS BEEN AROUND FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS. WASN'T CREATED BY WHITE PEOPLE. IT'S BEEN AROUND SINCE ANCIENT TIMES. WHY SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED ONE HUNDRED YEARS HAS TAKEN SUCH FOCUS AND ATTENTION. IN THE TASK FORCE ISN'T LOOKING THAT MANHATTAN BEACH WASN'T A RACIST ISLAND SURROUNDED BY EQUITY AND LOVE AND OTHER PLACES AROUND. MANHATTAN BEACH WASN'T JUST LIKE THE REST OF SOUTH BAY AND THE REST OF THE CALIFORNIA. THE JIM CROW BELIEFS THAT HAPPENED EVERYWHERE. IT WAS WRONG HERE AND THERE. IT WAS UNJUST BUT TAKING PROPERTY ALWAYS SEEMS UNJUST. I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD -- I DON'T SEE ANY SYSTEMIC RACISM BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN NO PROOF OF THIS INSTITUTIONALIZATION. THERE'S NO DOCUMENTATION OR RECOMMENDATION. IF WE'RE GUILTY OF ANYTHING IT'S PROBABLY WELFARISM. THAT'S BECAUSE YOU CAN'T LIVE HERE UNLESS YOU HAVE MONEY.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE EMMA.
- >> HELLO. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED BY BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE AND THE APOLOGY. IT'S THE FIRST STEP IN MAKING IT A MORE INCLUSIVE PLACE. AS MY EXPERIENCE AS A BLACK PERSON IT'S FAR FROM INCLUSIVE. TO HOLD AN APOLOGY IS NOT ONLY A SIGN OF BREATHTAKING ARROGANCE BUT -- APOLOGIZING REQUIRES STRENGTH, HUMILITY, COURAGE, AND CONFIDENCE. I'M CHOOSING TO -- [INDISCERNIBLE]. UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY. I TRULY HOPE THE CITY COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER THE WORK OF BRUCE'S TASK FORCE.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE PRIA.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. THOSE WHO CANNOT LEARN FROM HISTORY ARE DOOMED TO REPEAT IT. THIS IS SOMETHING WE'RE TAUGHT IN SCHOOL AND TOLD IS AN IMPORTANT LESSON. IT'S OFTEN HARD TO SEE REFLECTED IN OUR LEADERS. MANHATTAN BEACH IS ZERO POINT 5% BLACK AND 80% WHITE. FOR EVERY WHITE PERSON WHO GOT UP AND SAID THAT RACISM DOESN'T EXIST. HOW DARE YOU. SOMETHING YOU CAN'T EVEN SEE OR EXPERIENCE DOESN'T EXIST. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO ACTUALLY LISTEN TO THE BLACK PEOPLE OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE MY FULL SUPPORT FOR THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION THAT WAS CREATED. I BELIEVE ALL 21 POINTS ARE ESSENTIAL TO RECONCILE THE PAIN AND

SUFFERING THAT RACISM HAS CAUSED. IT'S NOT JUST FALSE. IT'S PERVASIVE. IN THE MANHATTAN BEACH IT'S PAINFULLY OBVIOUS. IT EFFECTS HOW WE LIVE AND FEEL SAFE IN OUR COMMUNITY. I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE MY SUPPORT FOR THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT TO COLLECT RACE BASED DATA. WE NEED DATA AND INFORMATION TO UNDERSTAND THE EXTEND OF RACIAL PROFILING IN OUR COMMUNITY. IN ORDER TO MAKE PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST IT WAS SHOCKING TO SEE HOW LITTLE DATA WE COLLECT FOR THINGS LIKE RACE, GENDER AND AGE.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE REGGIE WRONG.
- >> HI. I'M REGGIE MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M WITH THE LAST SPEAKER. I'M SUPPORT THE APOLOGY. WE NEED TO ALSO -- I THINK WE SHOULD PROBABLY APOLOGIZE TO ALISON WHO WAS TAKEN OFF HER SUBCOMMITTEE ROLES. WE DON'T NEED TO BE SILENCING PEOPLE OF COLOR. I WANT TO CORRECT THE ASIAN OFFICER. THEY WERE GIVEN REPARATIONS AN I'M WORKING CHINESE AMERICANS. A BLACK SUFFER WAS ACCOSTED IN THE CITY AND CALLED RACIST NAMES. DON'T TELL ME THAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS NOT RACIST. IF YOU TRULY ARE NOT RACIST YOU WOULDN'T MIND JUSTICE BEING DONE. YOU KNOW WHAT RACIST PEOPLE TELL ME? OH, I'M NOT RACIST. HELP THEM GIVE RESTITUTION. WE'RE NO NATIONWIDE NOW. AT LEAST SIX MILLION PEOPLE KNOW OF US. WE BETTER DO THE RIGHT THING.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS AMY CHROME.
- >> I JUST WANT TO SAY I FULLY SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE AND THANK THEM FOR THEIR ENDURING WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY. I'M BEWILDERED BY THE OPPOSITIONS I BELIEVE THAT THE CONTESTED DEBATE THESE HAVE SPURRED IN SUPPORTING ANTI RACIST EDUCATION IS DEEPLY NEEDED. THERE APPEARS TO BE A GREAT DEAL THAT A FORMAL A APOLOGY WOULD LABEL THE PEOPLE AS RACISTS. WITH THE RECENT NATIONAL MEDIA. I ASK THAT THE CITY COUNCIL TREAT THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO A MORE EQUITABLE FUTURE.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE RAUL. WE'LL MOVE ON WITH THE NEXT CALLER. SHARON.
- >> HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. CAN YOU STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. CITY OF RESIDENCY.
- >> I'M A PROUD 26 YEAR RESIDENT AND FAMILY MEMBER OF MANHATTAN BEACH. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. THANK YOU TO THE TASK FORCE FOR THEIR INCREDIBLE HARD WORK. WE'VE BEEN GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THE WORLD WHAT IS RIGHT AND HOW BEAUTIFUL OUR CITY IS AND HOW BEAUTIFUL OUR PEOPLE FOR APOLOGIZING WE'RE NOT ACCEPTING BLAME FOR SOMETHING THAT WAS DONE ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. WE'RE SHOWING THE WORLD THIS WAS WRONG. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS WAS WRONG AND WANT TO MAKE IT RIGHT. I FULLY SUPPORT THE CONTINUATION OF THE TASK FORCE AS WELL. I'M MARRIED TO AN AFRICAN AMERICAN AND HAVE THREE BEAUTIFUL AFRICAN

AMERICAN CHILDREN. WE HAVE FANTASTIC NEIGHBORS BUT RACISM DOES REAR ITS UGLY HEAD IN THIS CITY. MY SON WAS CALLED THE N WORD AT THE PLAY GROUND. MY DAUGHTER HAD A GUN POINTED AT HER HEAD WHILE EATING ICE CREAM IN HER CAR. WE CAN SHOW WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE WE ARE. WE CAN SHOW THE WORLD WHAT AMAZING CITY WE LIVE IN. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE BOBBY FILL MAN.
- >> HELLO. I'M FROM MANHATTAN BEACH. I DO NOT SUPPORT THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE OR ANY OF THE AMENDMENTS. MY POSITION STANDS, I REQUEST THAT THIS TASK FORCE BE DISBANDED AFTER THEIR PRESENTATION TODAY. I DON'T BELIEVE ANY WRONGDOING OCCURRED IN THE 20'S DURING THE EMINENT DOMAIN. THERE WERE BLACK AND WHITE FAMILIES WHO ARE SELDOMLY RECOGNIZED. THE TASK FORCE IS BIASED AND DOES NOT CREATE UNITY. THIS SYSTEMIC RACISM IN MANHATTAN BEACH WHEN THE TASK FORCE IS FOCUSED ON A SINGLE FAMILY. I CONDEMN ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION ESPECIALLY RACISM BUT I'M NOT GIVING IN TO THE NARRATIVE THAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS A RACIST CITY. THEY SHOULD BE ACCOUNTABLE UNDER DUE PROCESS OF LAW NOT PUBLIC OPINION. AS MARTIN LUTHER KING JUNIOR SAYS WE SHOULD BE JUDGED NOT BY THE COLOR OF OUR SKIN BUT BY THE CONTENT OF OUR CHARACTER.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE EMILY PARKER.
- >> HI. MY NAME IS EMMY PARKER. I LIVE IN VENICE. I'M A LOCAL SCIENTIST AND COMMUNITY MEMBER. I'M A LOBING SURFER HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. THERE'S A GREAT DEAL WE CAN RIGHT THE WRONGS OF THE PAST. I DEEPLY SUPPORT THE WORK OF THIS TASK FORCE AND THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO THIS COUNCIL TONIGHT. OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ARE A FIRST STEP. UNTIL WE RECOGNIZE RACIST ACTIONS OF THE PAST WE CAN'T MOVE FORWARD. THESE ACTIONS ARE NOT DIVISIVE BUT A BASIC FIRST STEP. I ALSO URGE YOU TO SIT AND LISTEN TO THE RESIDENTS OF COLOR THAT YOU'LL HEAR TONIGHT. YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAND WITH THE BLACK COMMUNITY TO FIGHT SYSTEMIC RACISM AND PROVIDE LONG OVERDUE REPARATIONS TO THE BRUCE'S FAMILY.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE MRS. WARD.
- >> HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> IF YOU CAN TURN UP YOUR VOLUME A LITTLE BIT, PLEASE.
- >> CAN YOU HEAR ME? HELLO?
- >> IF YOU CAN TURN UP YOUR VOLUME A LITTLE BIT HIGHER.
- >> MY VOLUME IS THE LOUDEST IT CAN GO.
- >> I CAN HEAR.
- >> YOU'RE A LITTLE BIT MUTED BUT I CAN HEAR YOU IF YOU'D LIKE TO CONTINUE OR CALL BACK WITH A BETTER CONNECTION. IT'S YOUR CHOICE.
- >> ARE YOU SAYING YOU CAN'T HEAR ME?
- >> WE CAN BARELY HEAR YOU. I'M GOING TO MOVE FORWARD. MY NAME IS KAVAN WARD. I'M THE FOUNDER OF JUSTICE FOR BRUCE'S BEACH. FIRST I'D LIKE

TO THANK THEM FOR THE [INDISCERNIBLE]. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE RACIST MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS FOR PUTTING YOUR WHITE SUPREMACY ON DISPLAY. I'D LIKE YOU ALL TO VOTE YES ON THE TASK FORCE'S RECOMMENDATION ON THE APOLOGY FOR THE BRUCE'S BEACH FAMILY AND FOLLOW IT UP WITH REST TUITION FOR THE FAMILY. ON PAGE SEVEN THE COMMUNITY FORUM SECTION. IT SAYS, THEY HAD CORDIAL CONVERSATIONS. I WOULD LIKE FOR TO YOU REMOVE THAT AS IT IS EXTREMELY MISLEADING. I'LL YIELD THE BALANCE OF MY TIME.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> WE WILL TRY WITH RAUL AGAIN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU IF YOU CAN STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD, CITY OF RESIDENCY, YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> MY NAME IS RAUL. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO COMMENT. LAST MONTH I WAS ABLE TO COMMENT BECAUSE IT WAS IMPORTANT TO ME. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR HER LEADERSHIP. I'M AN INDIAN AMERICAN BOARD CERTIFIED IN INTERNAL MEDICINE --
- >> MADAM, MAYOR, LOOKS LIKE WE LOST THE CALLER.
- >> IF HE CALLS BACK WE CAN PUT HIM BACK IN THE QUEUE.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE MS. EDWARDS.
- >> THE ZOOM NAME IS UNDER MY SON BECAUSE OF DISTANCE LEARNING. MY NAME IS VICKY EDWARDS. MY HUSBAND IS BLACK. WE LOVE MANHATTAN BEACH. WE MOVED HERE ALMOST A DECADE AGO TO RAISE OUR BOYS IN A GREAT COMMUNITY. HAVE WE SEEN RACISM HERE? YES. IS IT EVERYDAY? NO. IS IT EVERY WEEK? NO. BUT IT'S HERE. I'VE HAD OBSCENITIES YELLED AT MY HUSBAND IN FRONT OF MY YOUNG BOYS WHO ARE EIGHT AND TEN. THIS IS NOT ABOUT CONDEMNING MANHATTAN BEACH AS A RACIST CITY. IT'S ABOUT CONDEMNING RACISM. I BELIEVE MY BOYS SAID IT BEST. WHEN WE LEARN ABOUT OUR PAST, WE OPEN THE DOORS TO OUR FUTURE. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING. >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE ANGELA NELSON. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M SADDEN TO SEE THE ANIMOSITY AND TOXIC EXCHANGE OF WORDS BETWEEN NEIGHBORS. THE TASK FORCE HAD THREE RESPONSIBILITIES. THIS COMMITTEE HAS CROSSED THE LINE WITH THEIR CONTINUED EFFORTS OUT OF THEIR JURISDICTION. THEIR PROPOSAL ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS WAY OFF BASE. HOW WILL THIS EFFECT HOUSING COST. THE TASK FORCE IS LABELING MANHATTAN BEACH AS RACIST. EVERY TOWN HAS A FEW BAD APPLES. WE NEED TO FOCUS ON MANHATTAN BEACH AS A WHOLE. WHY ARE WE APOLOGIZING FOR SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. I FEEL NO GUILT. NO ONE HERE HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH ANYTHING THAT HAPPENED. EMINENT DOMAIN HAPPENED TO PEOPLE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. IF YOU WANT TO TALK HISTORY, THE LAND SHOULD BE GIVEN BACK TO THE NATIVE AMERICAN'S. THIS ONLY CREATES LOOPHOLES AND DIVISIONS. I SIMPLY CANNOT RIGHT ALL OF THE WRONGS WHY YESTERDAY. LET'S BE NEIGHBORLY AND GET BACK TO BEING THE BEST BEACH TOWN IN CALIFORNIA.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE AMY HALL WORTH.
- >> GOOD EVENING. RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND FORMER MAYOR. THIS IS A VERY HARD DISCUSSION. THE TASK FORCE IS TO BE COMMENDED AS OUR COUNCIL MEMBER STERN WHO ARE TAKING A LOT OF HEAT FROM BOTH SIDES. THERE'S LOTS OF PAIN HERE. I'M IN PAIN LISTENING TO THESE COMMENTS THOUGH. THIS IS NOT A COMMUNITY THAT I RECOGNIZE. I WAS PREPARED TO SAY THAT THE TWO-PAGE ADD IN THE BEACH REPORTER WAS MISLEADING AT BEST BUT WHEN YOU HAVE TO PUT IN QUOTES WE ARE NOT RACISTS, YOU MIGHT BE A RACIST. I THINK YOU'RE PROTESTING TOO MUCH. IN FACT IF WE'RE NOT RACISTS WHAT ARE WE AFRAID OF. THIS IS A HARD MESSY DISCUSSION. THE VERY ACT OF HAVING A TASK FORCE TAKES IT OFF OF THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY. THE TASK FORCE LANGUAGE DID NOT CLAIM THAT MANHATTAN BEACH WAS RACIST. IT SAID IT WAS NOT THE INTENTIONS TO LABEL ANY SPECIFIC PERSONS AS RACIST. BUT WE NEED TO CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THING THAT'S WE CAN DO THAT WILL MAKE IT BETTER. WE NEED TO HEAR FROM PEOPLE LIKE WE'VE HEARD FROM TONIGHT THAT HAVE EXPERIENCED RACISM. I CAN'T TELL YOU IF THIS COMMUNITY IS INCLUSIVE. I'M WHITE. I'M NOT A TARGET OF ANY KIND OF BIAS THAT I'M AWARE OF. WE SHOULD GET PRESSED FOR DOING SMART THINGS. IF WE REALLY HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE, WHAT ARE WE AFRAID OF. I KNOW YOU'RE ALL ON COUNCIL OPEN MINDED AND YOU'LL LISTEN TO EACH OTHER. I KNOW YOU'LL DO THE RIGHT THING. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.
- >> THANK YOU AMY FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE EMMA OLSEN.
- >> RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH FOR 22 YEARS. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO MADAM MAYOR FOR THIS TIME TO SPEAK AND THE CITY COUNCIL AND EVERYONE ELSE WHO HAS BEEN LISTENING. I'M GOING TO READ AN E-MAIL THAT I SENT TO THE CITY COUNCIL. AS A CITIZEN OF LOS ANGELES I WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE MY INPUT ON THIS ISSUE. THIS IS REGARDING A NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE WRITTEN ABOUT BRUCE'S BEACH. FROM AN ENVIRONMENTAL STANDPOINT TURNING THIS INTO A MONUMENT WILL CAUSE A BUNCH OF PROBLEMS. MORE AND MORE TREES, PLANTS, GARDENS ARE RIPPED UP. IT'S ADJACENT TO THE CHEVRON OIL REFINERY. DESTROYING THE LARGEST PIECE THIS IS DUE TO THE LOSS OF PLANT LIFE WHICH HELPS NEAR THE OCEAN --FILTER THE POLLUTION FROM THE AIR AND PROVIDE FROM OXYGEN. WHAT PERCENTAGES OF BUSINESSES ARE STILL IN OPERATION FROM THE TIME OF BRUCE'S TIME. MOST BUSINESSES HAVE NOT EXISTED FOR NUMEROUS DECADES. ANY BUSINESS THAT OPERATES OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS IS EXTREMELY RARE. I'VE HEARD A LOT OF EMOTIONAL RESPONSES THAT I REALLY FEEL FOR BUT I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THIS FROM A LOGICAL STANDPOINT. NOBODY SEEMS TO BE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS EILEEN.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I'M

HERE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF MY FAMILY BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF A GROWING GROUP OF MEMBERS THAT ARE MOVED BY THE RACIAL OUT CRIES FOR JUSTICE. OUR REFUSAL TO RECOGNIZE OUR UNSAVORY HISTORIES -- BECAUSE OF THIS WE WISH TO ALIGN OURSELVES WITH THE POSITIVE TRENDS OF CHANGE THAT WE THINK THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. I'M SURE BY NOW ALL OF YOU ARE AWARE OF THE TWO-PAGE ATTACK ADIN THE REPORTER. THE ADSEMS TO BE PURE AND SIMPLE WHITE BACKLASH. I BELIEVE THE MAJORITY OF THE CITIZENS CAN AND DO UNDERSTAND THIS. HISTORY HAS TAUGHT US VERY CLEARLY THAT EVERY TIME ANTI RACIST ACTIVISM RECEIVE VISUAL LEVELS OF SUPPORT IT WILL INEVITABLY LEAD TO BLACK LASH OF WHITE AMERICA. IF WE'RE GOING TO EARNESTLY BEGIN TO DO OUR PART TO DISMANTLE OUR WHITE SUPREMACIST SYSTEM. IF NOT WE'LL CONTINUE TO CREATE A WHITEWASHED SYSTEM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HISTORY AND PLEASE SUPPORT THE TASK FORTS.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> WE HAVE RAUL BACK ON THE CALL. HE WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE FOR THE REMAINDER OF HIS COMMENT.
- >> HI. SORRY, I GOT CUT OFF. PLEASE DON'T RESIGN. DON'T CONSIDER MANHATTAN BEACH RACIST. IT'S LEAST RACIST PLACE I'VE EVER BEEN. IT'S A GOOD COMMUNITY FILLED WITH INCLUSION. I DON'T THINK AN APOLOGY IS APPROPRIATE. I THINK MAYBE WE SHOULD PUT A SCULPTURE UP. THINK ABOUT WHAT THE PERSON SAID BEFORE ME. THINK ABOUT THE OXYGEN CONTENT IN THE CITY. NOT GO DOWN THE NEGATIVE TRACK OF APOLOGIZING FOR THINGS WE DIDN'T DO WRONG. WE SHOULD THANK OUR VETERANS AND PEOPLE WHO WORK SO HARD TO MAKE THE CITY WHAT IT IS. THERE'S NO SYSTEMIC RACISM HERE. TRUST ME, I'M A MINORITY. I'VE NEVER FELT IT.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE ANTHONY BRUCE.
- >> HI. THIS IS ANTHONY BRUCE. THE REASON WHY I'M HERE TONIGHT IS TO OFFER YOU SOMETHING -- [INDISCERNIBLE]. AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY DO THE RIGHT THING. I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING THE BRUCE'S BEACH HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO. IN JESUS CHRIST THAT WHO SO EVER BELIEVE IN HIM SHALL HAVE EVER LASTING LIFE. FOR GOD SENT -- [INDISCERNIBLE]. >> MR. BRUCE, WE'RE HAVING A VERY HARD TIME HEARING YOU. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CALL BACK, WE'LL GET YOU BACK IN THE QUEUE. THANK YOU.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE RITA.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WILL PARTIALLY READ SOMETHING THAT I WROTE TO THE CITY COUNCIL TODAY. THIS IS ABOUT AN ARTICLE WHICH I THINK IS FANTASTIC. THE ARTICLE IS CALL THE WHITE PEOPLE IN THE COMMENTS BY STEVE Q JAY. IF ANYBODY IS LOOKING TO LOOK UP THE ARTICLE. I WILL SUMMARIZE. THE ONLY WAY TO MOVE BEYOND RACISM IS TO STOP TALKING ABOUT THE COLOR OF OUR SKIN. I'VE BEEN SAYING IT FOR YEARS. MORE IMPORTANTLY IT'S HOW MY PARENTS RAISED ME AND INSISTED I LIVE MY LIFE. THE LIVED EXPERIENCED THAT WANT OR NEED TO SHARE THEIR STRUGGLES. THE PATH TO A COMMUNITY, IT'S NOT ABOUT MAKING THE COLOR OF SKIN AN

ISSUE IN EVERY COMMENT OF ANY COMMENT, IT IS ABOUT SEEING BEYOND THE COLOR OF OUR SKIN AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE CHARACTER OF THE PERSON YOU ARE ENGAGED WITH. WE CAN'T SAY I APOLOGIZE FOR HAVING NO CONTROL OVER THE CIRCUMSTANCES BUT WILL ACT GUILTY FOR IT. WE MUST ALL STAND TALL AND SAY NOT HERE, NOT NOW AND NEVER AGAIN. IT TAKES WORK AND EFFORT ON ALL SIDES. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD. NOT BACKWARDS AND THEN FORWARD. MARTIN LUTHER KING KNEW IT. MY PARENTS DEMANDED IT. IS MANHATTAN BEACH RACIST? IT IS NOT. I CANNOT SUPPORT THE OVERALL APOLOGY.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS JAMES.
- >> THANK YOU. MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR INDULGING ALL OF US. THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A HOT TOPIC. I'VE LIVED IN MANHATTAN BEACH MY ENTIRE LIFE AND PROUD TO LIVE HERE MY ENTIRE LIFE. THE DEMOGRAPHICS HAVE CHANGED A LOT. I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT WHAT THE TASK FORCE WAS INTENDED TO DO. I DISAGREE WITH AN APOLOGY FOR SOMETHING THAT TOOK PLACE ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. ONE OF THE PROBLEMS I HAVE IS THAT HISTORICALLY PEOPLE ARE NOT BEING VERY ACCURATE. THIS WAS A CITY'S USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN. TWENTY FIVE HOMES WERE WHITE FAMILIES. I'M NOT SAYING THERE'S NOT RACISM TODAY. AND CERTAINLY NOT NOT BACK IN THE 20'S AND STILL TODAY. DOI NOT BELIEVE THAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS A RACIST COMMUNITY TODAY. WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED TODAY IS A SLIPPERY SLOPE. WHERE DOES IT END. I'M AFRAID IT WILL NEVER END. -- I DO COMMEND THE TASK FORCE FOR THEIR HARD WHACKER AND DEDICATION TO THIS. I THINK THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO DISCUSS AN ART PIECE, PLAQUE, AND ACCURATE HISTORY. I DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE AN ACCURATE HISTORY. ALL I'M HEARING IS RHETORIC. MY FEAR IS THE ADMISSION IS FUEL FOR A POTENTIAL LAWSUIT TO THE CITY IN THE FUTURE. I DO SUPPORT THE CITY, POLICE, FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND EVERYONE ELSE. THANK YOU.
- >> THANK YOU, JAMES FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.
- >> NEXT IS NANCY.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. GOOD EVENING, ALONG WITH BEING A RESIDENT I'M ALSO THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AT HILDA BAY. WE MAKE SURE OUR WATERS ARE CLEAN AND HEALTHY AND SAFE. ACCESS HAS ALWAYS BEEN PIVOTAL. EVERYONE HAS A RIGHT TO HAVE FUN AT THE BEACH. I STAND STRONGLY BEHIND THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION OF REWRITING THE CURRENTLY INADEQUATE PLAQUE AND INCLUDE THE OTHER BLACK FAMILIES THAT WERE FORCED OUT BY EMINENT DOMAIN. IT'S IMPORTANT TO LOOK BACK AT PAST INJUSTICES SO THEY ARE NOT REPEATED. BRING AWARENESS TO THE TRUE HISTORY SO THE CITY CAN MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AN NOT REPEAT MISTAKES. IT'S A CRUCIAL WAY TO CREATE POSITIVE CHANGE. I HOPE TO SEE TASK FORCE CONTINUE TO DO THIS TYPE OF WORK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK ON THIS AND THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE VOLUNTEERS. I APPRECIATE THE TIME TO SPEAK TONIGHT.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.

- >> NEXT IS EMELIA.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF CULVER CITY.
- >> I GREW UP IN MANHATTAN BEACH. I GREW UP GOING TO BRUCE'S BEACH. I JUSTICE AND CORRECTIVE ACTION. THE LAND BEING STOLEN FROM THE ORIGINAL OWNERS. IT DOES NOTHING BUT BLOCK RESOLUTION FOR PAST HARMS. AS MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WE VIEW THEM AND EXCUSE THEM AND FUTURE ACTIONS WILL FACE CONSEQUENCES. THE STEALING OF LAND FROM BLACK PEOPLE THROUGH EMINENT DOMAIN THAT NOW HOLD EXTREMELY HIGH VALUE IS ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS OF WEALTH IN THIS COUNTRY. MANY PEOPLE WANT TO CALL IT PAST HARMS HAVE PRESENT IMPACT. THIS MAKES MANY PEOPLE UNCOMFORTABLE. GET OVER IT. BUT IF YOU REALLY WANTED TO PROVE THAT MANHATTAN BEACH ISN'T A RACIST CITY YOU WOULD TAKE THE ACTION TODAY. YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE MORE JUSTICE IN THIS WORLD. HAVE SOME SELF REFLECTION. AN APOLOGY IS THE LEAST THAT YOU CAN DO. ASK WHY A MERE APOLOGY SENDS YOU INTO SUCH A PANIC.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS QUINTIN.
- >> HELLO. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I GET UP IN THE MORNING EVERYDAY AND I GIVE THANKS. THE FIRST THING I DO IS ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I CHOOSE TO BE CHRIST LIKE TODAY. THE SECOND IS THAT I PRACTICE THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT. I TREAT OTHERS THE WAY TO HAVE THEM TREAT ME. WHEN I GO OUT SIDE MY HOUSE I FIND MOST PEOPLE ARE NOT RACIST. MOST PEOPLE SAY HELLO TO ME WHETHER I SPEAK TO THEM FIRST OR NOT. THERE ARE TIMES THOUGH WHEN I'M RUNNING ON THE STRAND OR ON THE GREEN BELT. I FIND IN A SENSE SOME PEOPLE ARE AFRAID OF ME FOR ABSOLUTELY NO REASON. I DON'T KNOW IF I MENTIONED THIS BEFORE BUT I HAPPEN TO BE A BLACK MAN. I DON'T TAKE IT PERSONAL. I FEEL THAT SOMETIMES PEOPLE ARE JUST FEARFUL OF THE UNKNOWN. SOME PEOPLE HAVE NEVER SEEN ME BEFORE. SOMETIMES I COVER UP WHEN I'M JOGGING. SOMETIMES IT'S PEOPLE IN INSECURITY. BECAUSE OF THE INTENTION I SET IN MY PRAYERS. I KNOW IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT I DON'T ASSUME WHERE PEOPLE ARE COMING FROM. I JUST WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE WHO CONSIDERS THEMSELVES A CHRISTIAN THAT YOU KNOW IN YOUR HEART WHETHER YOU'RE RACIST. IF YOU'RE NOT A CHRISTIAN, THAT'S FINE TOO. YOU WILL REAP WHAT YOU SOW. ONE DAY WE WILL ALL STAND BEFORE THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST. LET ME REMIND YOU RICH PEOPLE. YOU CANNOT TAKE THIS MONEY WITH YOU. GOD BLESS. HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS RORY.
- >> SIXTY-NINE YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH BORN AND RAISED IN LIBERTY VILLAGE. I'M GOING TO BE SHORT AND SWEET. I
- SUPPORT -- THERE WERE SEVERAL CITIZENS THAT SPOKE OUT WITH FACTS AND CLARITY AND WERE GOOD AT REMOVING FEELINGS. THE FIRST SPEAKER STATES REALLY GOOD FACTS. SO MUCH HAS ALREADY BEEN MENTIONED. I DON'T NEED TO MENTION ANYMORE. THE TASK FORCE SHOULD BE DISSOLVED. IT'S

DONE IT'S DUTY. NO APOLOGY SHOULD BE ENTERED AS IT COULD TURN OUT -- IT COULD COME BACK TO BITE US. TWO STATEMENTS I WANT TO CLOSE WITH. ONE IS FROM A BRILLIANT BLACK INTELLECTUAL THAT I LOVED RACISM IS NOT DEAD BUT IS ON LIFE SUPPORT KEPT ALIVE BY POLITICIANS BY DENOUNCING OTHERS AS RACIST. I WILL CLOSE THAT IT IS HARD TO BE SUCCESSFUL WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO DO EVERYTHING FOR EVERYONE. THIS IS A TOUGH ONE. IS THERE RACISM? ABSOLUTELY. I'M A VETERAN. IS IT SOMETHING THAT IS LARGE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY? I WOULD DISAGREE WITH SOMEBODY WHO SAYS OTHERWISE. THANK YOU FOR THE TIME. THANK YOU MAYOR AND THANK YOU TO THE COUNCIL.

- >> THANK YOU AND I'M THANKFUL FOR YOUR SERVICE DURING VIETNAM.
- >> NEXT IS CLINTON.
- >> I'M A BLACK MAN WHO IS NEW TO MANHATTAN BEACH. I CURRENTLY I'D LIKE TO START BY THANKING THE TASK FORCE FOR THEIR TIME AND ENERGY AND EFFORT. YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS DID NOT COME WITHOUT STRESS. I'VE BEEN FOLLOWING THE STORY THROUGHOUT. EVERYONE IN MANHATTAN BEACH KNOWS THIS IS A SPECIAL COMMUNITY. THOSE OF US THAT CAN AFFORD TO LIVE HERE, WITH THAT BEING SAID, IT'S ANYTHING ABOUT THE DIVERSE COMMUNITY IT COULD HAVE BEEN. HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE RACIST ACTS PERPETUATED YEARS AGO. IT COULD HAVE A THRIVING POPULATION OF OF BLACK PEOPLE. NO ONE IS POINTING FINGERS OR CALLING MANHATTAN BEACH'S CURRENT RESIDENTS RACISTS. THERE ARE REALLY GOOD PEOPLE HERE IN THIS COMMUNITY. AN APOLOGY IS A STARTING POINT FOR AN INCLUSIVE MANHATTAN BEACH GOING FORWARD. THE COUNTRY IS WATCHING. MANHATTAN BEACH HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE A POSITIVE EXAMPLE OF ANTI RACISM AND TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION IN AMERICA. PLEASE DON'T LET FRAGILITY TURN THIS TASK FORCE'S PROPOSAL INTO SOMETHING NEGATIVE WHEN IT IS CLEARLY MEANT FOR POSITIVE FORWARD PROGRESS.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> I DON'T BELIEVE IN APOLOGIZING WHAT WAS DONE ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. I THINK IT SHOULD BE DISBANDED. IT'S DONE IT'S JOB. WE SHOULD MAKE A PROMISE THAT WE WILL TREAT EVERYONE FAIRLY AND NOT BY THE COLOR OF THE SKIN BUT THE MATTER OF THE PERSON. I WOULD NOT SUPPORT AN OFFICIAL APOLOGY AT THIS POINT. THANK YOU.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE CHRIS.
- >> HI. I LIVE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT FOR 20 YEARS. I WOULD LIKE TO START WITH THAT I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH RECOMMENDATIONS. HOW WE DEAL WITH HISTORY AND HOW WE EDUCATE OURSELF FROM HISTORY IS HOW WE GROW BOTH AS AN INDIVIDUAL. SOMETIMES EDUCATION CAN BE UNCOMFORTABLE. PART OF THE BEST EDUCATION CAN BE UNCOMFORTABLE. THINGS WE HAVEN'T QUITE LEARNED YET AND THINGS WE NEED TO GROW TO LEARN. WE NEED TO LISTEN TO THE COMMUNITY THAT FEELS -- THAT STILL SEES THE RACISM OUT THERE. WE'VE HAD A NUMBER OF GREAT COMMENTS FROM THE BLACK COMMUNITY HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH

AND HOW THEY HAVE FELT AND SEEN -- WE NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. TO REFLECT THAT WITHIN OURSELVES WE NEED TO LEARN FROM WHAT THEIR EXPERIENCING AND AN APOLOGY AND ART PIECE AND CONTINUED EDUCATION GOING FORWARD CAN HELP US. YES, IT'S GOING TO MAKE US FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE. THERE ARE GOING TO BE TIMES WHEN WE FEEL LIKE WE DISAGREE WITH WHAT THOSE PEOPLE ARE SAYING. THAT DISCOMFORT IS GOOD. WE'RE REALLY GROWING AND LEARNING AT THAT TIME. MAYBE IMPROVING IN HOW WE SEE THE BLACK COMMUNITY THAT LIVES HERE, THE ASIAN COMMUNITY THAT LIVE HERE, EVEN THE WHITE COMMUNITY THAT LIVE HERE AND ACKNOWLEDGING THEM AND THEIR DIFFERENCES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND THANK YOU CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS ED COLLINS. PLEASE ACCEPT THE AUDIO REQUEST. WE'LL GO WITH THE NEXT KRISTIN.
- >> HI I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF AN APOLOGY. IF WE'RE NOT RACIST WHAT ARE WE AFRAID OF. I LOVE THIS TOWN. I HAVE ALWAYS LOVED THIS TOWN. MY HUSBAND BOUGHT PROPERTY HERE IN 2006 AS A USC GRADUATE. WE LOVE OUR SCHOOLS. I'M EMBARRASSED THAT WE'RE EVEN IN THIS COUPLE HOURS THAT WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER THAT WE CAN'T EVEN MUSTER AN APOLOGY FOR OUR PAST. WE'RE NOT RACIST. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET OUT OF THIS. TELL THE WORLD AND PEOPLE THAT ARE WATCHING, WE DON'T WANT TO BE KNOWN AS THE TOWN WITH WHITE FRAGILITY WEALTHY TOWN. A TOWN THAT IS PRIVILEGE AND CAPABLE OF AN APOLOGY. I LOVE MANHATTAN BEACH AND I DON'T WANT TO CONTINUE BEING DISAPPOINTED.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. YOUR CHILDREN SOUND ADORABLE. I'M GLAD YOU'RE RAIDING YOUR KIDS HERE IN MB.
- >> WE'RE GOING TO TRY ANTHONY AGAIN. IF YOU CAN PLEASE ACCEPT THE AUDIO QUEUE. WE'LL MOVE ONTO THE NEXT CALLER.
- >> I'M FROM TAMPA FLORIDA. I WAS READING THE SCRIPTURE HERE. THIS IS ABOUT MY BELIEFS IN JESUS CHRIST. FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON THAT WHOEVER BELIEVE IN HIM SHALL NOT PERISH BUT HAVE EVER LASTING LIFE. GOD SENT HIS SON THAT THE WORLD THROUGH HIM MIGHT BE SAVED. HE MIGHT BELIEVE IN HIM --. COME INTO THE LIGHT. THAT HIS DEEDS -- I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. I'VE ALREADY FOR GIVEN MANHATTAN BEACH CITY AND THE BREAKING OF THE LAW COMMITTING HATE CRIMES. AND ASK GOD JUDGE YOU ALL LISTENING TO MY VOICE JUSTLY AND THAT HE GRANT YOU MERCY ACCORDING TO YOUR DEEDS. IN JESUS NAME, AMEN.
- >> THANK YOU MR. BRUCE FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT. I HAVE BEEN AN MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT FOR 25 YEARS. I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS THREE POINTS. FIRST REGARDING REVISING THE PLAQUE AND ART. I THINK WE WANT TO EMPHASIZE IN ALL THE DOCUMENTATION THAT MANHATTAN BEACH HAS DEVELOPED A GREAT CULTURE AND CLIMATE OVER THE PAST SIXTY TO SEVENTY YEARS. WE NEED

LESS BIAS AND MORE ACCURATE PRESENTATION OF OUR HISTORY. I BELIEVE THAT THE ALTERNATE RESOLUTION SLAMS MANHATTAN BEACH IN THE HARSHEST WAY. WE DON'T WANT TO GO ON RECORD WITH SUCH A VIAL STATEMENT. THE STATEMENT HARMS THE IMAGE OF WHAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS TODAY AND STIGMATIZES OUR CITY FOR GENERATIONS TO OVERCOME. I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THE COUNCIL TO REJECT THE APOLOGY ALL TOGETHER. WE NEED TO REJECT AN UNELECTED COMMISSION AN TASK FORCE AND ANY ADDITIONAL TASK FORCE NEXT STEPS. RATHER LET US SPEND CITY RESOURCE IT SPEAR HEAD A NEW TASK FORCE FOR GENEROSITY, SERVICE, KINDNESS OF OUR CHURCHES AND PHILANTHROPIC.

- >> I'M GOING TO CHECK IN WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY HERE. IT'S BEEN A COUPLE OF HOURS. WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE TO TAKE A BREAK AFTER THE NEXT PUBLIC COMMENTER. WE CAN TAKE COMMENTS NOT RELATED TO BRUCE'S BEACH.
- >> THAT'S A VERY GOOD APPROACH. OTHER PEOPLE THAT WANT TO TALK ABOUT BRUCE'S BEACH WILL BE PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY AFTER THE STAFF REPORT IS GIVEN.
- >> OKAY. IF YOU CAN GET ONE MORE CALLER. ALL OF YOU WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT BRUCE'S BEACH WE'LL TAKE A TEN MINUTE BREAK AND COME BACK AND RESUME THE AGENDA. YOU'LL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ABOUT BRUCE'S BEACH LATER IN THE EVENING. THANK YOU. ONE MORE CALLER PLEASE. >> WE HAVE RICK.
- >> HI. MY NAME IS RICK. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'VE BEEN HERE FOR 19 YEARS. I WANT TO DRAW EVERYONE'S ATTENTION TO SECTION FOUR OF THE APOLOGY THAT STATES THE PARK. THE CORE VALUE TO REJECT RACISM AND RACIAL INEOUALITY IN ALL FORMS, REVIEW AND REVISE POLICIES. I HOPE FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART THAT EVERY SINGLE PERSON ON THIS CALL FOR AND AGAINST THE COMMITTEE, FOR AND AGAINST THE TASK FORCE CAN AGREE TO THOSE SIMPLE TERMS. THAT TO ME IS THE UNIFYING PART WHERE WE START FROM. WE CAN ACKNOWLEDGE THE PAST HISTORY. WE CAN BE SORRY FOR THE HISTORY AND INSTITUTIONAL AND SYSTEMIC RACISM OF PEOPLE OF ALL COLORS. WHAT I OBJECT TO PERSONALLY IS I BELIEVE MOST OF THE APOLOGY IS OVERWRITTEN AND WAY OVERBLOWN AND CAUSING STRESS IN WHAT YOU'RE HEARING NOW. IT GOES WAY BEYOND WHAT WE NEED TO DO AND SHOULD DO. I ALSO DEFINITELY WOULD ENCOURAGE IT TO BE SHOWN TO THE CITY ATTORNEY. I'M SURE WE'RE GOING TO SEE PARTS OF THIS QUOTED IN REPEATED LAWSUITS. CITY'S DON'T REGULARLY DO THESE THINGS. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS. THEY ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO THE COURT RECORDS. THAT WILL ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE VALUES AN HOW THEY WERE DONE. THERE WAS IMPROPER INTENT. WITHOUT THOSE RECORDS, IT'S RIDICULOUS TO HAVE A HISTORY LESSON WITHOUT A COMPLETE HISTORY. >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. OKAY. I HAVE 812. WE'LL TAKE A TEN MINUTE BREAK. IF THERE IS A CALLER WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK FOR TWO MINUTES ON A TOPIC UNRELATED TO BRUCE'S BEACH, YOU ARE WELCOME WHEN WE RETURN AT 822.

- >> AT THIS TIME WE'RE TAKING PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN ISSUE OTHER THAN BRUCE'S BEACH.
- >> I RECEIVED CONFIRMATION FROM TWO PARTICIPATIONS THAT THEY ARE PROVIDING GENERAL COMMENTS.
- >> HI. GOOD EVENING. CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> WE CAN HEAR YOU. CAN PUT PROVIDE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD CITY OF RESIDENCY, AND YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.
- >> I'M VERY FAMILIAR WITH BIPOC -- THE LAND WHERE YOU'RE AT IS INDIGENOUS TOUNGVA. STOP WORRYING ABOUT IMAGE. DOES ANYONE KNOW WHAT A FULL APOLOGY IS ABOUT. THEY CREATE A SAFE SPACE FOR PEOPLE TO UNLEARN, LEARN AGAIN AND BE BETTER RELATIVES. IT'S NOT BECAUSE YOU'RE DOING ANYTHING WRONG. YOU COULD BE DOING IT BETTER. THE LANGUAGE I'M HEARING TONIGHT THROUGHOUT SOME OF THIS COMMENTARY, IT MAKES MY HEART SAD BECAUSE THEY ARE PRETENDING THEY DON'T REMEMBER ALL THE OIL MILLS. ALL OF US ARE EXPOSED TO THESE TOXIC CHEMICALS AND EVERYTHING THAT HAS TO DO WITH CHEVRON AND THE GAS PLANT THERE THAT NEEDS TO BE REMOVED. WE HAVE A DESALINATION OPPORTUNITY TO SHUT THAT DOWN BEFORE IT ARRIVES. WE NEED TO BE BETTER NEIGHBORS, BETTER RELATIVES, AND TAKE IN THAT UNCOMFORTABLE FEELING AND ASK YOURSELVES WHY YOU'RE FEELING UNCOMFORTABLE. SOMETIMES WE HAVE MUD ON OUR FEET AND SCRAPE IT OFF AND EXPLAIN THINGS TO CHILDREN. IT'S NOT WRONG TO FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE. IT'S A HEALTHY FEELING TO GET THROUGH IT.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> HELLO.
- >> STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD, CITY OF RESIDENCY. TWO MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.
- >> I LIVE IN HOLLYWOOD CALIFORNIA. I'M A 24 YEAR OLD AFRICAN AMERICAN MAN. I'M NOT A RESIDENT BUT I'M AIMING TO BECOME ONE IN THE NEXT YEAR. I'VE DRIVEN FROM HOLLYWOOD TO MANHATTAN BEACH. SURF IS AT THE CORE OF THE CULTURE OF THE CITY. IT'S ALMOST LIKE A RITUAL. UNFORTUNATELY A MONTH AGO TODAY WHILE I WAS SURFING THE PIER, I WAS CALLED THE N WORD REPEATEDLY AND HAD WATER THROWN IN MY FACE UNPROVOKED. I'LL CALL HIM YOUR MANHATTAN BEACH REPRESENTATIVE. RACISM IS AND ALWAYS HAS BEEN A PROBLEM IN THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH BUT PROBLEMS HAVE SOLUTIONS. ACKNOWLEDGING THE PROBLEM IS THE FIRST STEP TO SOLVING IT. THE INJUSTICE OF WHAT OCCURRED AT BRUCE'S BEACH ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. WHAT I EXPERIENCED THIRTY DAYS AGO PROVES THAT TIME PASSING IS NOT A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM. I BELIEVE THAT MANHATTAN BEACH ADOPTING AN APOLOGY IS THE FIRST STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION IN A SOLUTION THAT RIGHTS THE WRONGS OF THE PAST. AS SOMEONE WHO EXPERIENCED RACISM. IT'S NEVER OKAY TO JUSTIFY INJUSTICE WITH OTHER INSTANCES OF INJUSTICE. I INSPIRE YOU TO BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE. THE COUNTRY IS WATCHING. THE WHOLE COUNTRY. I'M TALKING THE NEW YORK TIMES AND LA TIMES. I WISH I CAN SHARE A STORY HOW MANHATTAN BEACH IS TAKING ACTIONABLE CHANGE

- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> LAST WE HAVE TIFFANY CALLING ABOUT SCHOOLS.
- >> I'M A 17 YEAR RESIDENT. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS. OUR CLASSROOMS HAVE BEEN CLOSED FOR OVER A YEAR. HE IS CURRENTLY PLANNING TWO HALF DAYS PER WEEK FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHEN OTHER DISTRICTS AND ALL OF LA COUNTY AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS ARE RETURNING TO FULL DAYS OR FIVE HALF DAYS. PART TIME RETURN IS REALLY NOT ENOUGH. WE HAVE ORANGE COUNTY THAT HAS BEEN OPEN FOR AT LEAST FIVE HALF DAYS SINCE FALL SUCCESSFULLY. THIS IS A COMMUNITY ISSUE, WE ALL NEED YOUR HELP. IT'S ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THE NEGATIVELY IMPACT TO OUR CHILDREN'S WELL BEING FAR OUT WEIGHS THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS. FAMILIES ARE NOW MOVING AWAY. STUDENTS ARE FAILING AND SUFFERING IMMENSELY. PARENTS HAVE LOST CONFIDENCE IN OUR LEADERS. THIS WILL HAVE A LASTING DETRIMENTAL IMPACT ON OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. WE OWE IT TO OUR CHILDREN OF MANHATTAN BEACH TO ACT NOW. WE NEED TO ACCEPT NO LESS THAN AN OPENING OF OUR SECONDARY SCHOOLS ON MONDAY MARCH 22 FOR GRADES SECOND THROUGH 12. GRADES TK THROUGH FIVE SHOULD HAVE A FULL TIME RETURN. THERE'S PLENTY OF TIME TO HAVE A FULL TIME RETURN. PLEASE DIRECT YOUR E-MAILS TO SUPERVISE INTENDENT MATTHEWS. WE NEED CITY COUNCIL TO PLEASE HELP
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> I HAVE ONE MORE PARTICIPANT STATING THEY HAVE A GENERAL COMMENT. THEY ARE UNDER THE USER NAME OF IPHONE. I CAN'T IDENTIFY THEM ON THE REQUEST TO SPEAK AT THIS MOMENT. IF THEY CAN RAISE THEIR HAND. WE HAVE HEATHER KIM SPEAKING ON SCHOOLS.
- >> HI MY NAME IS HEATHER KIM MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT. I WANTED TO CONTINUE BASICALLY WHAT SHE WAS SAYING EARLIER. WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP. THIS IS A CALL TO ACTION FOR ALL PARENTS WITH KIDS IN MBUSD. EVEN THOSE OF YOU WHOSE KIDS ARE GROWN AND MAYBE YOU'RE A GRANDPARENT, EVEN IF YOUR KIDS DON'T COME TO SCHOOL HERE, YOU'RE A PROPERTY OWNER HERE. YOU HAVE A STAKE IN THIS TOO. WE NEED EVERYBODY TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON. IT'S ACTUALLY INHUMANE WHAT IS HAPPENING. I FEAR A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO AREN'T DIRECTLY IN IT REALLY KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. PARENTS ARE RECEIVING MIKE MATTHEW'S MORNING MESSAGES, HIS MESSAGES ARE REALLY NOT GIVING THE FULL PICTURE. THERE ARE LIES BY OMISSION, MISS STATEMENTS. WE ARE A GROUP OF PARENTS WHO HAVE BASICALLY FACT CHECKED EVERYTHING AND LEARNING BY OURSELVES EVERY SINGLE DAY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PARENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH ARE GETTING THE PROPER INFORMATION. WE ARE OPEN FOR KIDS BUT NOT FOR MOST KIDS EVEN THOUGH WE COULD BE. WE COULD HAVE BEEN OPEN FOR SECONDARY KIDS SINCE OCTOBER. CAN YOU IMAGINE HOW MANY DAYS AND MONTHS HAVE BEEN MISSED BY OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT'S LACK OF INTEREST IN REOPENING. PLEASE CONTACT OUR GROUP. WE WILL GIVE YOU ALL THE INFORMATION TO OUR NEWS LETTERS. PLEASE WE HAVE A KID NEED CLASSROOMS VENMO.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

- >> LAST WE HAVE A REQUEST BY AVA.
- >> HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> HI. CAN YOU PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, CITY OF RESIDENCY, YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M BEEN HERE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. I WANT TO JUST HAVE A GENERAL COMMENT AS ONE OF THE BLACK RESIDENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND SHARE MY EXPERIENCES WHEN YOU COME AND VISIT AN THE WELCOME ENVIRONMENT WHEN YOU COME AND BE A PATRON AND SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESS. IT'S VERY DIFFERENT WHEN YOU TRY TO BECOME A RESIDENT OF THIS CITY AN THE ATTITUDES AND THE APPROACHES THAT I HAD TO OVERCOME TO BE A RESIDENT. I HOPE THE OTHER RESIDENTS WOULD STEP BACK AND THINK AND REALIZE THAT IT IS NOT VERY WELCOMING TO TRY AND BE A RESIDENT. IT'S A VERY DIFFERENT EXPERIENCE COMING IN AS A BLACK WOMAN TO A CITY THAT LOOKED WELCOMING AS A VISITOR. THERE'S A LOT THAT CAN BE DONE AS A CITY TO IMPROVE THE DISPARITIES THAT WE'RE SEEING. THERE'S A REASON THAT THERE'S NOT A LOT OF BLACK PEOPLE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. IN MANY WAYS BY DESIGN. I THINK BRUCE'S BEACH IS A STEP TO SAY IS THAT THE CITY IS MORE WELCOMING. I THINK THE EFFORTS DOES GO A LOT TO MEND THE WAYS. MORE GENERALLILY I THINK THERE'S A LOT THE CITY CAN DO TO DEMONSTRATE IN REAL WAY THAT'S YOU DO WANT TO BE MORE WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE. IT STARTS WITH HOW YOU YOU RECEIVE NEW RESIDENTS TO YOUR COMMUNITY.
- >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> HELLO. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. I'M ACTUALLY AN ALUMNI. I'VE BEEN A PART OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH COMMUNITY PREVIOUSLY. I'M SPEAKING GENERALLY TO MAKE A POINT OF CLARITY FOR THE PARENTS THAT SPOKE IN REGARDS TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. IT IS NOT THE CITY COUNCIL THAT GOVERNS OVER THIS BODY. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNS SEPARATELY. I WANTED TO SPEAK TO THE GENERAL POINT OF RACISM WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. THERE WAS A VERY POIGNANT POINT BY DR. EDWARDS FROM UCLA THAT GAVE AN ANALOGY WHEN IT COMES TO STRUCTURAL RACISM. A TREE. THE WHITE SUPREMIST IDEOLOGY. THE BRANCHES HOLD INSTITUTIONAL RACISM THAT OVERLAPS IT'S IMPACT WITH ONE ANOTHER. AS AN EVEN JUST GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL IN A BLACK AND BROWN AREA AND WHAT THAT DOES FOR BLACK AND BROWN STUDENT IT SUCCEED IN THEIR READINESS WITHIN OUR INSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNING BOARDS. I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE RACISM I MYSELF EXPERIENCED IN MANHATTAN BEACH AS WELL. IT'S EMBEDDED IN THE POLICIES, THE WAYS THAT WE ACT, THE WAY WE CHOOSE TO ENFORCE. WHAT WILL THE CITY PUT IN PLACE TO INTENTIONALLY SUSTAIN RACIST WORK. THIS IS ALSO AT STAKE. THANK YOU.
- >> THAT CONCLUDES OUR COMMENTS FOR THIS SECTION.
- >> OKAY. THANK YOU. WE'LL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT AND MOVE ONTO AGENDA ITEM LETTER G. OUR CITY MANAGER REPORT AND EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER UPDATE. ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO CONSIDER COVID 19.
- >> THANK YOU. IN THE INTEREST OF TIME, I'LL KEEP IT BRIEF. IN TERMS

OF COVID 19 CASES WE TOTAL 1251. I MIGHT POINT OUT TODAY A YEAR AGO IS WHEN WE CLOSED CITY HALL IN RESPONSE TO THE PANDEMIC. WE DID HAVE TWO DEATHS SINCE OUR LAST CITY COUNCIL MEETING BRINGS OUR TOTAL TO 19. 8774 HAVE RECEIVED VACCINE. THAT'S ENCOURAGING. BY WAY OF CITATIONS, WE'RE CONTINUING TO ENFORCE FACE COVERINGS IN PUBLIC. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE CDC GUIDELINES AS WELL AS STATE AND COUNTY REQUIREMENTS. WE ISSUED ELEVEN CITATIONS BRINGING THE TOTAL TO 1588. 295 WARNINGS WERE ISSUED LAST WEEK. WE'RE ALL AWARE THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS SIGNED THE STIMULUS BILL. IN THAT PLAN THE CITY IS EXPECTING TO RECEIVE SIX POINT \$6 MILLION. THIS FUNDING IS FOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY THE END OF CALENDAR YEAR 2024, WE'RE LOOKING AT WHAT THE RESTRICTIONS AND GUIDELINES ARE ON IT FOR WHAT WE CAN USE IT FOR. ALLOCATION STRATEGIES WILL BE DISCUSSED BY THE FULL CITY COUNCIL. THE CITY MOVED TO THE RED TIER FROM THE PURPLE. >> GOOD EVENING. THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE CITY ENTERED INTO THE RED TIER WITH THAT COMES WITH CERTAIN ALLOWANCES FOR INDOOR USES. ESSENTIAL OFFICE BASED USES CAN BE UP TO 50% OF INDOOR CAPACITY. SHOPPING MALLS UP TO 50%. MANY OTHER RETAIL USES, GROCERY STORES, TARGET, 50%. PERSONAL CARE SERVICES, HAIR, NAIL SALONS. MUSEUMS AND AQUARIUMS 50%. INDOOR DINING UP TO 25% OF INDOOR CAPACITY. ALL OF THESE REOPENINGS ARE WITH MODIFICATIONS WITH THE COVID 19 PRECAUTIONS. INDOOR DINING REQUIRES THAT ALL TABLES BE SEPARATE BY EIGHT FEET AN THE DINERS BE SEPARATED BY SIX FEET. LIMITATION OF SIX PEOPLE PER TABLE. REGULATIONS FOR OUTDOOR DINING THE COUNTY ALLOWED UP TO THREE HOUSEHOLDS AT A TABLE. STILL MAXIMUM OF SIX PEOPLE THOUGH. THAT TRANSITIONS TO MY UPDATE ABOUT OUTDOOR DINING. OUTDOOR DINING HAS BEEN PREVALENT ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY ALL OVER THE CITY AS RESTAURANTS MOVED OUT SIDE WHEN THEY COULDN'T OPERATE INSIDE. THEY ARE TRACKING THAT THE OUTDOOR AREAS PLUS THE INDOOR AREAS CONTINUE TO BE WITHIN THE PRECOVID OCCUPANCY LEVELS OF 100%. DOWNTOWN JUST A QUICK NOTE FOLLOWING THE REOPENING OF THE MANHATTAN AVENUE CLOSURE, OUR STAFF IS WORKING WITH THE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS ASSOCIATION TO EXPLORE ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUTDOOR DINING TO LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD FOR RESTAURANT THAT'S WERE NOT ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT ONE BLOCK. THERE'S A FEW NEW DECKS THAT WILL BE CONSTRUCTED. ONE IS ON BREWING AND THE OTHER IS WEST OF OCEAN DRIVE. THAT'S GOING TO BE FOR THE STRAND HOUSE AN ROCKING FISH AND BREW. I DO WANT TO ADD A BRIEF REMINDER THAT CURRENTLY THE TIME LINE FOR THE OUTDOOR DINING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY IS DESIGNATED IN THE CITY'S EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 21. THAT CURRENTLY ALLOWS FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY TO GO UP TO NINETY DAYS AFTER LA COUNTY ALLOWS INDOOR DINING. IT WOULD EXPIRE ON JUNE 15TH. TO CONCLUDE MY REPORT I JUST WANT TO REMIND ANY BUSINESSES THAT ARE WATCHING, PLEASE REVIEW THE OPERATING PROTOCOLS, THEY ARE LINKED WITH THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE. THEY MAKE MODIFICATIONS AS THEY LEARN MORE ON HOW TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID 19. THE LAST

POSITIVE NOTE IS THAT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA REPORT THE TIER ASSIGNMENT TODAY. WE CAME IN AT A RATE OF FOUR POINT ONE OUT OF ONE THOUSAND. THE ORANGE TIER IS POINT ONE ZERO. IF EVERYBODY STAYS VIGILANT WE'LL CONTINUE THE PATH IT REOPENING. THAT CONCLUDES MY UPDATE. I'M AVAILABLE FOR MY QUESTIONS.

- >> THANK YOU. ANY OUESTIONS.
- >> I HAVE A COMMENT. JUST REMIND EVERYBODY. I KNOW MOST OF YOU ASKED COUNCIL. WE'RE THE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE MALL. THE MALL IS BACK TO OPEN. IT INCLUDES APPLE. ALL THE RESTAURANTS ARE OPENING. THERE'S A FIVE HUNDRED SPACE THIRD DECK. IT OPENED LAST WEEK. IT'S A GOOD THING FOR ALL OF US. A GOOD THING FOR THE MALL. WE HAD HAD TO PAY BACK OUR OWN PEOPLE. SHOP DOWNTOWN AT THE MALL. LET'S HELP WITH RECOVERY.
- >> I HAVE ONE BASIC QUESTION ABOUT THE BASKETBALL HOOPS. HAS THE RESERVATION SYSTEM BEEN RESOLVED FOR BASKETBALL?
- >> HE NEEDS TO CONNECT THROUGH HIS PHONE.
- >> IF YOU CAN PRESS TO DO THE RAISED HAND FOR YOUR PHONE AND I CAN CONNECT YOUR PHONE THROUGH YOUR CAMERA.
- >> THE SUSPENSE ABOUT BASKETBALL HOOPS IS RISING.
- >> GIVE ME ONE SECOND.
- >> GOOD EVENING. CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?
- >> WE CAN HEAR YOU DIRECTOR.
- >> THANK YOU. WE ARE IN PROCESS OF MAKING THIS HAPPEN. WE ARE ACTUALLY WORKING WITH MBYB AND BASKETBALL USE FOR ITS GROUPS TO HAVE THIS IN PLACE BY APRIL FIRST. THAT WOULD BE A RESERVATION SYSTEM AND WE WOULD HAVE IT SIGNED AND OPEN FOR INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS. OUR GAME PLAN IS TO HAVE THE RESERVATION SYSTEM IN PLACE AND OPEN BY APRIL FIRST.
- >> IF WE SLIP INTO THE ORANGE TIER WOULD THE RESERVATION SYSTEM STILL BE REQUIRED?
- >> IT LOOKS FAVORABLE. WE JUST SPOKE WITH THE COUNTY ABOUT THAT TODAY.
- I BELIEVE IT WOULD REMOVE THAT REQUIREMENT.
- >> GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
- >> THANK YOU.
- >> COLLEAGUES ANY OTHER AGENDA ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION FOR ITEMS TO ADDRESS COVID 19. HEARING NONE WE'LL MOVE ONTO LETTER H, THE CONSENT CALENDAR.
- >> I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T HAVE AN AGENDA ITEM. I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT WE HAVE THE STANDING ITEMS.
- >> YEAH. JUST A TOPIC.
- >> I'M MORE ENCOURAGED NOW TO ASK IF MY COLLEAGUES AS THE VACCINATIONS INCREASE AS THE INFECTION RATES HAVE DECREASED, DO WE WANT TO THEN TURN OUR ENFORCEMENT OVER TO CONTINUED WARNINGS, ESPECIALLY IF WE DO HAVE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE GOVERNMENT NOW? I DON'T KNOW WHAT THOSE RESTRICTIONS ARE, BUT IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE WALKING AROUND DO WE TURN THOSE FOLKS INTO LESS OF ENFORCEMENT, FOR OF A WARNING

TASK THAN GIVING OUT CITATIONS AT THIS POINT?

- >> COLLEAGUES?
- >> I'M FINE WITH THAT. I THINK PEOPLE HAVE GOTTEN THE MESSAGE. WE'RE A YEAR INTO THIS. WE'RE AT 95% COMPLIANCE RATE. I WOULD LIKE TO ADD SOMETHING TO THAT AND TAKE SOME OF THOSE EXCESS PEOPLE AND PUT THEM ON DOG BEACH DUTY AND HAVE THEM WALK AND PATROL THE BEACHES AND GET THE DOGS OFF THE BEACH.
- >> THAT WOULD BE THE SECOND PART. CAN WE BROADEN SOME OF THE WARNINGS AND SUCH TO ALSO FOR THE ELECTRIC BIKES THAT WE SEE ON THE SIDEWALKS NOW AND SO FORTH. I PUT THAT OUT THERE FOR DISCUSSION.
- >> I'M READING THE LAST UPDATE OF OUR ENFORCEMENT JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY READS THE SAME THING I DO. SIXTY-SEVEN PEOPLE CITED ON SATURDAY. I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT PEOPLE ARE EDUCATED OR COMPLIANT. THE REASON THAT NUMBERS ARE NOT ABOVE FOUR POINT ONE IS BECAUSE WE -- WHY WOULD WE WANT TO REMOVE IT EARLY. I DON'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH THE ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT WHETHER AT THE BEACH OR SOMETHING ELSE WE CAN DO. BIKE RIDING, SKATE BOARDING. I WOULD NOT REMOVE THE MASK ENFORCEMENT AT THIS TIME.
- >> I FOR THE MOST PART DO AGREE. I DON'T -- IF THEY'RE ALREADY OUT THERE ANY WAY, I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS ACCOMPLISHED IN THE WAY THAT IS ENFORCING THE WAY WE'RE ENFORCING. IT'S NOT TAKING ANYMORE OF THEIR TIME. WE'VE BEEN HEARING THIS FOR SO LONG. THERE'S SO MANY OTHER LAPSES CERTAINLY ON THE BEACH WITH DOGS ON THE BEACH WE SEE IT FAR TOO OFTEN. WE HAVE GREAT CONCERNS NOW ABOUT THE ICE OF THE EBIKES AND THE SPEED BY WHICH THEY ARE NOT FOLLOWING THE RULES OF SAFETY ON THE ROAD. I WOULD ABSOLUTELY LIKE TO SEE US TRANSITION AT LEAST OR EXPAND OUR ENFORCEMENT SO THAT'S ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY. IF WE ARE CONTINUING TO HAVE SUCH GREAT ENFORCEMENT, OR HAVING SUCH GREAT COMPLIANCE, PERHAPS THEY DO HAVE MORE TIME FOR THESE OTHER OPPORTUNITIES.
- >> THANK YOU.
- >> IN THE ALTERNATIVE I ASK THAT WE CREATE DISTRICTS OF ENFORCEMENT OR EXPECTATIONS WHEN IT WAS SAID THAT FOLLOWING CDC AND COUNTY GUIDELINES, THE LAST TIME, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THE COUNTY GUIDELINES WAS YOU WEAR MASKS IF YOU ARE AROUND PEOPLE, IF YOU'RE NOT AROUND SOMEONE, YOU DON'T HAVE TO HAVE IT ON. WE HAVE SINGLE PEOPLE WALKING A BLOCK AWAY FROM FOLKS AND NOWHERE NEAR ANYONE GETTING CITATIONS. IS THAT NECESSARY, IS THAT SOMETHING THAT SUPPORTS THE IDEA OF COMPLIANCE?
- >> I APPRECIATE THAT. I DO WANT TO SAY THAT IT SEEMS AND MAYBE WE CAN GET A BETTER EXPLANATION OF THIS. WE'VE HAD SOME INCONSISTENCIES IN ENFORCEMENT. RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN TICKETED WHEN THEY ARE READY TO PUT THEIR FACE MASKS UP. THAT'S ON A -- MAYBE GOING BACK TO ENFORCEMENT AND REDEFINING HOW WE'RE ENFORCING.
- >> ALONG THAT LINE. I'M OKAY WITH IT DISTRICT WIDE. I THINK WE'VE

- ALL SEEN IT -- YOU'RE ALMOST THERE. DOING A GREAT JOB. WITH THE DISTRICT'S WORK THAT'S NOT MY JOB. I'M NOT AGAINST DISTRICTS. I'M NOT AGAINST THAT AT ALL. I'M WITH HER IDEA. MAYBE MORE OF A GENTLER ENFORCEMENT. IF YOU SEE SOMEBODY PUTTING A MASK ON, DON'T GIVE THEM A TICKET JUST BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE IT ON AT THAT TIME. I WOULDN'T REMOVE THE ENFORCEMENT TOOL FROM OUR PEOPLE YET. WE'RE NOT THERE YET. >> I'M IN SUPPORT OF COUNCIL'S PROPOSAL.
- >> I'M TRYING TO FIND COMPROMISE HERE TO FIND WHAT CONSENSUS WOULD APPROVE. I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT IN THESE MATTERS. WE NEED LESS DIVISION AROUND HERE AND MORE UNITY. I'LL BE THE FIRST TO SAY THAT. I WOULD LIKE US TO DECIDE ON SOMETHING THAT WE CAN GET SOME SORT OF CONSENSUS ON WHETHER ENFORCEMENT COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS OR BETTER TRAINING FOR THE FOLKS TO UNDERSTAND THAT SOMEONE THAT'S PUTTING ON THEIR MASK ENTERING AN AREA WHERE THERE ARE PEOPLE, THAT'S MORE UNDERSTANDABLE THAN IF TWO BLOCKS AWAY.
- >> DO YOU HAVE A MOTION OR SUGGESTION ABOUT DISTRICTS?
- >> I DON'T KNOW THE INS AND OUTS. I WOULD ASK STAFF TO LOOK AT THE DISTRICTS THEY USE. I THINK IT'S JUST COMMERCIAL AND THE STRAND AND WE COULD LOOK AT THAT TOO. COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS AND THE STRAND AND POSSIBILITY THE GREEN BELT WOULD BE ONES WHERE THERE'S CONSTANT CONTACT BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS. THAT WOULD BE A PROPOSAL.
- >> HOW DOES THAT SQUARE WITH WARNINGS AND NOT CITATIONS. THAT WOULD BE A PROPOSAL.
- >> HOW DOES THAT SQUARE WITH WARNINGS AND NOT CITATIONS?
- >> I GUESS I'M TRYING TO RECONCILE.
- >> IT MEANS PEOPLE, IF THEY ARE WALKING UP AND DOWN 10th STREET, 1300 BLOCK OF 10th STREET, THEY AREN'T REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK IF THEY ARE NOT A AROUND PEOPLE. AS OPPOSED TO COMMERCIAL AREAS, WHERE THEY ARE VERY LIKELY TO RUN INTO, AND BE LESS THAN SIX FEET NEXT TO SOMEONE AND YOU ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR ONE. AND THE STRAND AGAIN. BECAUSE IT'S NARROW ENOUGH THAT IT'S HARD TO AVOID BEING WITHIN SIX FEET OF SOMEONE. BUT THE ENFORCEMENT WOULD BE THE SAME IN THE COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS.
- >> YES, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW? MOTION IS NEEDED ON THIS PARTICULAR ITEM. WE COULD DIRECT STAFF TO TAKE A LOOK, HERMOSA IS DONE WITH THEIR DISTRICTS. WITH THE RESPECT TO THE TWO OTHER ITEMS, THE BIKES AND THE DOGGIE DUTY, YOU SHOULD DEFER THAT UNTIL LATER IN THE AGENDA. >> Mayor Hadley: ADD IT TO A FUTURE AGENDA. WE WILL BE DIRECTING STAFF TO INVESTIGATE. WHICH MEANS THE SOONEST IT COULD COME BACK WOULD BE APRIL 6th TO DISCUSS HERMOSA APPROACH, AND/OR TWEAKING OUR ENFORCEMENT OF MASKS, FACIAL COVERINGS. YES, HILDY?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: JUST CLARIFICATION. THE ENFORCEMENT IS JUST IN OUR DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT AND ON THE STRAND AND ON THE GREEN BELT. SO JUST CLARIFICATION WHEN WE ARE DRAWING THESE DISTRICTS IT SEEMS WE ALREADY HAVE THOSE DISTRICTS OR MAYBE NOT. MAYBE I'M

MISUNDERSTANDING WHERE ENFORCEMENT COMES.

- >> Mayor Hadley: I DON'T THINK OFFICIALLY WE ARE ENFORCING THAT DISTRICT. HERMOSA SAID SPECIFICALLY WE ARE ENFORCING BY DISTRICT. MANHATTAN BEACH, I BELIEVE, IS CITYWIDE.
- >> IT IS. IF I CAN INTERJECT, THE REALITY IS WE CONCENTRATE OUR EFFORTS IN THOSE AREAS. THE STRAND, DOWNTOWN, THE GREEN BELT. WE AREN'T ON 10th STREET LOOKING FOR PEOPLE WALKING ON THE SIDEWALKS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?
- >> R. Montgomery: IT'S THE PARTS TOO. NOT JUST THE STRAND AND DOWNTOWN I'M WORRIED ABOUT, IT'S OUR PARKS. IF WE LET ONE THING SLIP FROM US WE WILL BE RIGHT BACK UP AGAIN. WE ARE EITHER CONSISTENT ACROSS-THE-BOARD OR RIP IT ALL DOWN. I'M JUST NOT IN FAVOR OF RIPPING IT DOWN.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, JOE?
- >> WHEN WE HAD OUR SPIKE IT WAS DUE MORE TO INSIDE GATHERINGS OF FAMILIES. DURING THE HOLIDAYS. PEOPLE TRAVELING IN, COMING IN FROM COLLEGE, OR ANOTHER CITY OR STATE COMING IN. THAT'S WHEN WE SAW THE SPIKE. OUTSIDE, WALKING, IT'S A SHAME WE DON'T HAVE ANY TRACING. BUT IT'S A VERY LOW RATE OF INFECTION. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IS YOU COULD HAVE SOME PATROLLING THERE, BUT JUST EASE UP ON THE CITATIONS. IT'S CAUSING, I MEAN YOU HAVE PEOPLE OUT OF WORK GETTING THESE BIG TICKETS. YOU ARE GETTING PEOPLE NOT WORKING FULL-TIME GETTING THESE TICKETS. OUTSIDE, OKAY. I THINK OUTSIDE IS OKAY. OR AT LEAST IT'S BETTER. THAT'S WHAT I THINK.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I WOULD SUPPORT COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN'S POINT. IT IS OUTSIDE. I THINK IT MAKES US LESS BUSINESS FRIENDLY THE MORE CITATIONS WE WRITE. IT DOES MAKE US UNWELCOMING. I THINK POSSIBLY, YOU KNOW, IT'S A LITTLE MORE ELITIST TO BE HANDING OUT A LOT MORE TICKETS WHEN THE BEACH IS OPEN TO ALL. AND WE WANT PEOPLE TO COME AND PARK IN OUR PARKING LOTS AND SWIM AT THE BEACH. THEY MAY NOT BE AS AWARE OF OUR RULES AND WE ARE CITING THEM ANYWAYS. I THINK THAT'S KIND OF UNFRIENDLY. IS THERE CONSENSUS TONIGHT FOR NAMING? CAN WE JUST RATTLE THEM OFF? I'M RELUCTANT TO PUT TOO MUCH TIME KNOWING WE HAVE -- COMING UP. DO WE HAVE CONSENSUS TO HILDY'S POINT. JUST ROLLING BACK, DEFINING THOSE AND ROLLING BACK ENFORCEMENT TO ONLY THOSE PLACES, DOWNTOWN, NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH, THE PARKS, THE STRAND AND THE BEACH.
- >> S. Napolitano: COMMERCIAL.
- >> Mayor Hadley: NO GREEN BELT. STEVE, WHAT WAS THAT?
- >> S. Napolitano: COMMERCIAL AREAS. I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO SAY NORTH END OR DOWNTOWN.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YOU DON'T WANT TO SAY THE BEACH THEN OR THE STRAND.
- >> S. Napolitano: NO, IN ADDITION. I'M JUST SAYING COMMERCIAL AREAS. YOU IDENTIFIED THE NORTH END, FOR INSTANCE. THERE ARE OTHER COMMERCIAL AREAS AROUND TOWN, MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD. MAYBE A

LITTLE ON AVIATION AND SECOND STREET THERE. YOU OTHERWISE LEAVE THINGS OUT IF YOU JUST TRY TO IDENTIFY ALL OF THEM.

- >> Mayor Hadley: BUT DO WE REALLY HAVE A PROBLEM WITH UNMASKED PEOPLE WALKING ON ARTESIA BOULEVARD? I THINK DOWNTOWN, MAYBE THE MALL. AGAIN, I THINK WE ARE GETTING BOGGED DOWN HERE. I THINK THERE ARE PEOPLE WAITING WHO WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS BRUCE'S BEACH.
- >> S. Napolitano: SO LET'S MOVE ON. I DON'T SEE A CONSENSUS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, COLLEAGUES, IS THAT OKAY?
- >> R. Montgomery: FINE WITH ME.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE HAVE 250 PEOPLE HERE STILL WAITING. THANK YOU, STEVE, APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING STUFF UP. DO I HAVE A MOTION FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR TO APPROVE ITEMS 5-11?
- >> MOTION TO APPROVE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: MAYOR PRO TEM HILDY STERN. SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN. AND LIZA, MAY WE HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE PLEASE.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: YES.
- >> MAYOR HADLEY?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?
- >> R. Montgomery: YES.
- >> MOTION PASSES 5-0.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, LIZA. ITEM I, ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR. HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENING. 12 IS CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION FROM BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. SO THE STAFF MEMBER LISTED IS CITY MANAGER MOE. SENIOR ANALYST ALEXANDRA LETRANI MAY KICK US OFF. CITY MANAGER MOE FIRST.
- >> City Manager B. Moe: YOU ARE RIGHT, ALLIE HAS BEEN PART OF EVERY MEETING AND DOCUMENTATION AND KEEPING THE GROUP TOGETHER. WILL GIVE A PROGRESS REPORT. ALLIE.
- >> THANK YOU, GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE MAYOR HADLEY AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. I'M ALEXANDRIA. THE ITEM IS CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSALS DRAFTED AND CREATED BY OUR BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. THE TASK FORCE WAS APPOINTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND CONSISTS OF 13 MEMBERS AND TWO ALTERNATES ALL OF WHOM ARE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. THE TASK FORCE CHARGE WAS TO PUT TOGETHER MORE ACCURATE TELLING OF THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH PROPOSED REPLACEMENT LANGUAGE FOR THE CURRENT PLAQUE, DEVELOP THE BASIS FOR ART PIECE COMMEMORATING HISTORY AND MAKE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNCIL'S FUTURE CONSIDERATION. THEY MET ALMOST FIVE MONTHS AND HAD WORKING GROUPS CALLED SUBCOMMITTEES. THESE SUBCOMMITTEES HAD SPECIFIC TOPICS

THEY FOCUSED ON. SO THE FIRST ONE WAS DRAFTING THE HISTORY REPORT. THE RESOLUTION OF APOLOGY. PLANNING A COMMUNITY FORUM. AND A FINAL REPORT SUBCOMMITTEE TO KIND OF PUT IT ALL TOGETHER. REPORTS AND PROPOSALS WERE BROUGHT BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE TO THE FULL TASK FORCE FOR APPROVAL AND CONSENSUS. A WELL ATTENDED COMMUNITY FORUM WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 25th WHERE OUR HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENTED THEIR FINDINGS. THERE ARE FIVE MAIN PROPOSALS WHICH I WILL BRIEFLY GO OVER CONTAINED IN THE PROGRESS REPORT. THE TASK FORCE IS REQUESTING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WEIGH IN ON THESE PROPOSALS. 1.1 IS SUPPORT THE CREATION THROUGH THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION OF ART WORK MEMORIALIZING THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH. ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THIS ART PIECE ARE DESCRIBED IN APPENDIX 3. 1.2. CONCUR WITH THE PROCESS AS SET FORTH IN APPENDIX 4 FOR CREATION OF A NEW PLAQUE AT BRUCE'S BEACH AND ALLOCATE FUNDING TO ALLOW INSTALLATION OF A NEW PLAQUE BUT NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2021. THIS INCLUDES HAVING THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE PROPOSED NEW WORDING FOR THE PLAQUE, AS WELL AS HIRING A PROFESSIONAL OR HISTORICAL ORGANIZATION TO REVIEW FOR HISTORICAL ACCURACY AFTER CONSENSUS FROM THE TASK FORCE. THE TASK FORCE IS ALSO REQUESTING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE AN EXPENDITURE UP TO \$1,000 FOR THESE CONSULTATION FEES. PROPOSAL 1.3 IS AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUATION OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH WEB PAGE TO HOST THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT, AS IT MAY BE MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME. SHARE THE CONTINUED WORK PRODUCT OF THE TASK FORCE, ANNOUNCE UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS AND PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER CITY EFFORTS TO COMBAT RACIAL INJUSTICE. PROPOSAL NUMBER 1.4 IS TO ADOPT RESOLUTION OF APOLOGY, SET FORTH IN APPENDIX 2. PROPOSAL 1.5 IS AUTHORIZE MINIMUM OF ONE ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY FORUM IN THE SPRING OF 2021. AND THIS IS DESCRIBED IN APPENDIX 6. THIS COMMUNITY FORUM WOULD BE TARGETING STUDENTS IN MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AND IS PROPOSED TO BE CO-CREATED WITH MEMBERS OF THE MBUSD EQUITY DIVERSITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. AND THERE ARE SEVERAL DOCUMENTS I WILL BRIEFLY GO OVER FOR YOU THAT ARE ATTACHED TO THE STAFF REPORT. THE FIRST, OF COURSE IS THE PROGRESS REPORT, WHICH I JUST DISCUSSED. THE SECOND ARE NOTES FROM CO- CHAIRS COUNCILMEMBER STERN AND COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO. FINALLY TWO ALTERNATIVE RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED BY OUR CO-CHAIR. STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE CITY COUNCIL DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION. >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, ALLIE. OKAY, I WOULD NOW LIKE TO ASK OUR TWO CO-CHAIRS, MY COLLEAGUES, COUNCILMEMBER STEVE NAPOLITANO BY SENIORITY AND MAYOR PRO TEM HILDY STERN. SO WOULD EITHER OF YOU LIKE TO ASK ALLIE SOME QUESTIONS, SHAPE THE DISCUSSION, MAKE PERSONAL COMMENTS YOURSELF BEFORE WE GET TO COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT?

>> S. Napolitano: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR FOR CALLING ME OUT FOR SENIOR. I WILL TAKE THAT AS BEING OLD. NO, I WOULD JUST POINT TO THE NOTE

FROM THE CO-CHAIRS AND LEAVE IT AT THAT AT THIS POINT. I KNOW WE STILL HAVE PLENTY OF SPEAKERS. I DON'T WANT TO TAKE AWAY FROM THEIR TIME. AS FAR AS COMMENTS AND EVERYTHING, I WILL HAVE THOSE FOR AFTER THE PUBLIC COMMENTS. THANK YOU.

- >> Mayor Hadley: SOUNDS GREAT. MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: YES, THAT'S FINE WITH ME, IF ANYBODY ELSE HAS QUESTIONS FOR ALLIE, THAT WOULD BE A GREAT START.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY. COUNCILMEMBERS MONTGOMERY AND FRANKLIN, ANY QUESTIONS FOR ALLIE OR HILDY OR STEVE AT THIS POINT BEFORE WE OPEN IT BACK UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT?
- >> R. Montgomery: NO QUESTIONS, YOUR HONOR.
- >> I WILL FOLLOW SUIT. NO QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: TERRIFIC. OKAY, CITY ATTORNEY QUINN BARROW. SHOULD WE FIRST ASK HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS TOPIC? AND THEN WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE, SHOULD WE GET THAT NUMBER FIRST AND SEE HOW MUCH TIME WE ARE THINKING ABOUT, WHETHER WE CUT IT BACK OR WHETHER WE JUST ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENTERS TO WEIGH IN ON 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5 AND TRUNCATE THEIR COMMENTS IN ORDER TO ALLOW MORE PEOPLE TO COMMENT. WHAT IS YOUR VIEW OF THE BEST WAY TO GO FORWARD? >> City Attorney Q. Barrow: I WILL DEFER TO THE DEPUTY CITY CLERK. ACCORDING TO MY RECORDS LOOKS LIKE THERE'S 19 PEOPLE THAT WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS. SO NUMBER ONE, PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN, THERE'S NO OBLIGATION TO ALLOW THEM TO SPEAK AGAIN. NOW THERE'S 21 PARTICIPANTS THAT MAY WANT TO SPEAK. YES, YOU COULD ASK THEM TO FOCUS ON THE FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, THANK YOU, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW. OKAY, DEPUTY CITY CLERK, MARTHA ALVAREZ, WE WILL REOPEN PUBLIC COMMENT AND I WILL SPECIFICALLY ASK COMMENTERS TO PERHAPS SET ASIDE THEIR WRITTEN REMARKS. I REGRET THAT. BUT WE HAVE HAD A WONDERFUL VIGOROUS SESSION. WE HAD TWO HOURS OF PUBLIC COMMENTS LARGELY ABOUT BRUCE'S BEACH. AT THIS POINT, WE WILL BE ASKING SPECIFICALLY FOR WE JUST NEED MUCH SPED-UP COMMENTS TO ALLOW ALL 21 TO SPEAK. WE WOULD LIKE PEOPLE TO WEIGH IN SPECIFICALLY ON 0.1 IS THE ART WORK, 0.2 IS THE PLAQUE. POINT THREE WEB PAGE, 0.4 IS THE APOLOGY AND 0.5 IS COMMUNITY FORUM. IF YOU ARE IN THE QUEUE, IF YOU COULD MAKE NOTES SAYING I'M FOR OR AGAINST THOSE FIVE THINGS. WE WILL TRY TO GET THROUGH AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN SO WE COULD HAVE A ROBUST PUBLIC DISCUSSION BEFORE THE HOUR GETS TOO LATE. DEMOCRACY DIES IN DARKNESS. I KNOW IT'S A LITTLE DARK OUTSIDE BUT WE ARE TRY TO SPEED THIS UP. THANK YOU, MARTHA, WHO IS OUR FIRST COMMENTER?
- >> FIRST WE HAVE JENNIFER MARR.
- >> HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE CAN HEAR YOU.
- >> YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.
- >> OKAY. MY NAME IS JENNIFER MARE, A RESIDENT OF HERMOSA BEACH AND

GRADUATE OF MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL. I GUESS I CAN START MY TIME NOW. I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE TASK FORCE AND THEIR PROPOSALS AND THANK THEM FOR THEIR WORK. WE ENTERED MONTHS OF MEETING OF BRUCE'S BEACH, BEING ACTIVE RACISM ONLY TO CREATE A TASK FORCE ADVOCATED TO BE DISBANDED. IT'S KIND OF A JOKE AMONG ACT VISION COMMUNITIES WHEN CORPORATIONS DON'T WANT TO TAKE ACCOUNTABILITY THEY CREATE A TASK FORCE TO SAVE FACE WITHOUT CHANGE. IT'S NOT SURPRISING THIS HAS ADVOCATED WITH CHANGE THEY ARE MET WITH IMMEDIATE BACKLASH FROM WHAT I'M HEARING, AND CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE ASKING FOR THESE PROPOSALS IN ADDITION TO REPARATIONS --

- >> Mayor Hadley: JENNIFER, EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY, YOU MAY NOT HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO HEAR WHAT I SAID WHEN I OPENED PUBLIC COMMENT. I REALLY NEED YOU TO SET ASIDE YOUR PREPARED STATEMENT AND I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT. BUT I NEED YOU TO RESPOND DIRECTLY TO THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS ON PAGE 203 OF THE PACKET. 1-5.
- >> I SUPPORT ALL THE TASK FORCE'S RECOMMENDATIONS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, JENNIFER. YOUR COMMENTS. MARTHA, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE STEPHANIE -- AGAIN. I'M NOT SURE IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING DIFFERENT ADDING TO THE COMMENTS YOU ARE REQUESTING FOR MADAM MAYOR.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, THANK YOU. WE WILL GO ONTO OUR NEXT CALLER, PLEASE.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE ANDREA LEONE --
- >> HI, I SUPPORT ALL THE TASKS. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, ANDREA FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE LEN.
- >> HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR US?
- >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> LET ME TRY ONE MORE TIME TO SEE IF THEIR AUDIO IS WORKING. HELLO LYNNE, CAN YOU HEAR US?
- >> YES, THANK YOU.
- >> THEIR AUDIO DOESN'T SEEM TO BE WORKING. WE HAVE RAY JOSEPH NEXT.
- >> HELLO, THIS IS RAY JOSEPH. I'M OPPOSED TO ALL THE COMMENTS. WE ARE READY TO PUT UP A BRUCE'S BEACH PLAQUE IN 2007. WE DID THE STAND UP INITIATIVES. THERE ARE LAWS IN PLACE ON ANTI DISCRIMINATION. I DO NOT BELIEVE OUR CITY IS RACIST. I DON'T BELIEVE OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT IS RACIST OR SCHOOLS. WE RAISE OUR KIDS WELL. I THINK THESE THINGS ARE REDUNDANT. WE HAVE ALREADY DONE ALL THESE THINGS. WE DON'T NEED TO DO IT AGAIN. I ALSO DON'T WANT ANYTHING THAT WILL CREATE ANY FUTURE LIABILITY FOR THE CITY. THANK YOU GUYS SO MUCH. AND ALSO, WHY ARE SO MANY PEOPLE CALLING IN FROM OUTSIDE MANHATTAN BEACH? THERE IS A GUY SAYING HE HAS BEEN SURFING HERE FOR A YEAR BUT THE BEACH HAS BEEN CLOSED THE LAST YEAR.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, RAY, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JENNA AHMED.

- >> GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS JENNA AHMED, I ATTEND MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL, AS A BI RACIAL MEMBER, I THINK I OFFER A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE. THERE'S NO CONTENTION HERE THESE ACTIONS AGAINST THE BRUCE'S WERE RACIALLY MOTIVATED AND RACISM IS STILL PREVALENT IN OUR COMMUNITY TODAY WHICH WOULD BE CLEAR IF YOU ASK ANY PERSON OF COLOR LIVING IN OUR COMMUNITY. I'M IN SUPPORT OF ALL RESOLUTIONS PLACED FORWARD BY THE TASK FORCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I WILL LEAVE IT THERE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, JENNA, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE KARA LEE.
- >> HI, I'M KARA LEE. I'M A 32-YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. AND I SUPPORT ALL THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TASK FORCE AND I'M GLAD THAT ANTHONY, BRUCE AND JUSTIN COULD BE HERE TONIGHT TO MAKE THEIR VOICES HEARD. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK, KARA FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> HELLO?
- >> Mayor Hadley: HELLO?
- >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, I CAN HEAR YOU. I LOST OUR DEPUTY CITY CLERK. CAN YOU STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. YOUR CITY OF RESIDENCE, PLEASE.
- >> YEAH, MY NAME IS ED -- I LIVE IN THE VILLAGE. I'M A GOOD NEIGHBOR OF DR. LEE PHILLIPS. AND WE ARE AGAINST POINT 4, THE APOLOGY. THERE'S NO REASON TO APOLOGIZE. I'M ALSO AGAINST THE TASK FORCE. THIS WHOLE BRUCE'S BEACH MADNESS IS BRINGING INNER-CITY TROUBLEMAKERS HERE. WE WANT THE RIGHT KIND OF PEOPLE HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. LIKE LEE PHILLIPS. SHE IS A PHYSICIAN WHO IS JUST LIKE US. I LIKE VICKI PURVIS TOO. ANOTHER NEIGHBOR OF MINE. THESE TWO UP STANDING AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN UNDERSTAND HOW THINGS WORK. I AM FOR KEEPING MANHATTAN BEACH THE WAY IT IS. AND WE ACTUALLY NEED MORE POLICE TO MAINTAIN THE ORDER AND KEEP IT THE WAY IT IS. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, ED, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE PHOEBE LYON.
- >> HI. I'M PHOEBE LYONS A 23-YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WOULD LIKE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR ALL FIVE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TASK FORCE. PARTICULARLY, WITH REGARDS TO THE ART PIECE. I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND EVERYBODY THAT THE COUNCIL WAS CONSIDERING A \$250,000 PLUS ART INSTALLATION WITHIN THE CITY HALL. WHICH IS GREAT FOR PEOPLE WHO ENTER CITY HALL. THAT'S A LITTLE BIT OF A TANGENT. BUT THAT TYPE OF MONEY AND CARE AND CONSIDERATION IS EXACTLY THE TYPE OF CONSIDERATION I WOULD HOPE THAT THE COUNCIL AND THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION WOULD PUT INTO THE ART PIECE AT BRUCE'S BEACH. AND YES, THANK YOU ALL FOR STAYING THROUGH THIS LONG MEETING. HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, PHOEBE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE KRISTI HOGAN.

>> HI MY NAME IS KRISTI HOGAN. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT AND BUSINESS OWNER IN THE COMMUNITY FOR DECADES. I RAISED MY CHILDREN HERE. AND I AM VERY PROUD OF THE CITY STAFF AND OUR COUNCILMEMBERS WHO INITIATED A HARD CONVERSATION ABOUT RACE. I'M ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL TO THE TASK FORCE MEMBERS FOR STEPPING UP TO NAVIGATE UNCHARTERED WATERS. THE TASK FORCE IS MADE UP OF MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THEY HAVE APPROACHED THEIR CHARGE EARNESTLY. WE ARE NOT HERE TONIGHT JUST BECAUSE OF WHAT A CITY COUNCIL DID A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. WE ARE HERE BECAUSE WE WATCHED GEORGE FLOYD'S MURDER LAST SUMMER AND THE PROTEST THAT FOLLOWED ASKED EACH OF US TO WORK HARDER FOR JUSTICE AND EQUALITY. LIKE PROBABLY ALL OF YOU, MY FAMILY TOOK A LOT OF WALKS LAST SUMMER IN SEARCH OF SOME RELIEF FROM THE QUARANTINE. I SAW A CHALK RENDERING OF MR. FLOYD. MURAL WITH THE HEART-WRENCHING WORDS HE UTTERED IN THE LAST MINUTES OF HIS LIFE. PEOPLE POSTED THE NAMES OF OTHER UNARMED MEN AND WOMEN SHOT BY POLICE AROUND THE COUNTRY. I SAW A B.L.M. SIGNS, MANY HAND DRAWN BY CHILDREN. NOT A FEW. MANY, MANY FAMILIES HEEDING THE CALL TO SPEAK UP, TO NOT BE SILENT AND NOT BE INDIFFERENT TO THE PROTESTS AGAINST SYSTEMS THAT MAKE BLACK AMERICANS DRAMATICALLY MORE LIKELY TO ENCOUNTER POLICE BRUTALITY AND LESS LIKELY TO ENJOY THE LIBERTIES THAT ARE THE HALLMARK OF BEING AMERICAN. NO ONE IS BEING CALLED A RACIST, NO ONE IS BEING ASKED TO CONFESS RACISM. I KNOW THE COUNCIL IS UNDER PRESSURE. WE AS A COMMUNITY NOW HAVE LOOKED AT WHAT SUCCUMBING TO PRESSURE DOES. YOU ARE NOT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE 1920'S. I URGE YOU TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE AND KEEP MAKING US PROUD.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, CHRISTIE FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE JOHN RONUDO.
- >> I TRIED UNMUTING, DID THAT WORK?
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE CAN HEAR YOU, JOHN.
- >> THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK THE COUNCIL FOR ALL THE WORK YOU ARE DOING, MY GOD AND THE HOURS YOU DEVOTE. I HOPE THIS ISN'T TOO DISJOINTED. ALL OF THE SUDDEN TRYING TO PICK OUT THE PIECES OF WHAT I HAVE WRITTEN. LET ME SAY I UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR THE APOLOGY AND THE DESIRE. ALL I ASK IS FOR THE COUNCIL TO RECOGNIZE THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE APOLOGY CLEARLY DIRECTED AT OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR A HUNDRED YEARS AGO AND NOT BEAR ANY REFLECTION TO WHAT IT IS NOW. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE BALANCE IN THE REPORTING THAT PROVIDES POSITIVE INSIGHT IN THE GROWTH THE CITY EXPERIENCED AND THE TYPE OF COMMUNITY IT IS NOW. I DON'T SEE ANY BALANCE. I JUST SEE THE ONE DIRECTION. I KNOW YOU WANT TO CORRECT THAT. BUT I THINK SOME BALANCE WOULD BE IMPORTANT. AND I GUESS I SAY THAT BECAUSE TO NOT DO SO, I THINK IT MARGINALIZES NOT ONLY THE POSITIVE STEPS THE CITY HAS TAKEN BUT THE ONES I'VE TAKEN. I'M A PARENT, COACH, VOLUNTEER, HIRING MANAGER AND A CITIZEN IN THE CITY. YOU KNOW, I DON'T WANT TO FEEL LIKE ANYTHING I HAVE BEEN DOING IS JUST BEING IGNORED OR TRIVIALIZED. AN ACCURATE

PLAQUE SHOULD HIGHLIGHT THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH SO WE DON'T FORGET THAT HISTORY, NOR REPEAT IT. I GUESS, YOU KNOW, I HAVE TO QUESTION THE NEED OF CONTINUING WITH THE TASK FORCE. THE COUNCIL WILL OFTEN ASK FOR PEOPLE TO ADVISE STAFF AND YOU BRING PEOPLE TO GET OPINIONS. YOU HAVE GOTTEN THAT. TO MAKE THEM A PERMANENT MEMBER, I JUST QUESTION THAT. I TRUST ALL OF YOU AS DECENT HONORABLE PEOPLE WILL MOVE FORWARD WITH THOSE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY. THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME A CHANCE TO SPEAK, MAYOR.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK, JOHN, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE DR. ANTHONY LEE.
- >> I'M ANTHONY LEE. I AM A MEMBER, WELL I LIVED IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR 35-36 YEARS. I'M A BLACK MAN, I RAISED MY CHILDREN HERE. AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. SO OF COURSE I SUPPORT ALL THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE ALL SIMPLY SYMBOLIC GESTURES. THEY DO NOT REALLY ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING BEYOND A STATEMENT OF MORAL PURPOSE. WITH TWO FULL PAGE ADS TAKEN OUT IN THE BEACH REPORTER, ATTACKING SOME OF THE COUNCILMEMBERS AND ALSO ATTACKING THE TASK FORCE. THESE ADS ARE FILLED WITH FALSE STATEMENTS AND MISINFORMATION. AND I HOPE THAT THE COMMUNITY IS NOT MISLEAD BY THESE STATEMENTS. NO ONE HAS CALLED MANHATTAN BEACH A RACIST CITY AND AS A MATTER OF FACT WE SAY PRECISELY THE OPPOSITE. I DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW AN APOLOGY FOR PAST RACIAL INJUSTICE WILL LABEL THE CITY AS RACIST. OR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DIVERSITY COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN ESTABLISHED BY BOTH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE MANHATTAN BEACH SCHOOL BOARD. IN FACT, REFUSING TO APOLOGIZE AND SHUTTING DOWN A DISCUSSION OF RACIAL EQUITY. WOULD HAVE THAT PRECISE EFFECT ON THE CITY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, DR. LEE, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE MIKE JENKINS.
- >> MY NAME IS MICHAEL JENKINS, I'M A 43-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR APPOINTING ME TO THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. IT'S BEEN A PRIVILEGE THE LAST FEW MONTHS TO WORK WITH THIS GROUP OF COMMITTED MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS ON THIS IMPORTANT WORK. OUR DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN CANDID, SOMETIMES MESSY, AS MIGHT BE EXPECTED WHEN ADDRESSING THE DIFFICULT SUBJECT OF RACE. BUT OVERALL HEALTHY AND NECESSARY. I WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT THE COUNCIL ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN SECTION 6, APPENDICES 3-6 AND ADOPT APOLOGY. IT WILL SEND AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO AND BEYOND THE COMMUNITY THIS COUNCIL MAKES AMENDS AND REJECTS ALL FORMS OF RACISM. OBVIOUSLY YOU ARE UNDER SOME PRESSURE HERE. I'M ASTONISHED BY THE ATTACK ON OUR REPORT. FEAR MONGERING ARE CORROSIVE AND UGLY. THERE'S NOTHING RADICAL OR FRIGHTENING IN OUR REPORT. NOBODY IN THIS COMMUNITY HAS ANYTHING TO FEAR. MANHATTAN BEACH IS A WONDERFUL PLACE TO LIVE. I KNOW, I HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 43 YEARS AND HEADQUARTERED MY BUSINESS

MORE DIVERSE, MORE WELCOMING AND MORE INCLUSIVE. I'M A WHITE MAN. I KNOW THAT I HAVE BENEFITED FROM WHITE PRIVILEGE. I HAVE LISTENED CAREFULLY TO MY BLACK COLLEAGUES ON THE TASK FORCE AND THE BLACK RESIDENTS WHO HAVE SPOKEN TONIGHT. IT'S OBVIOUS. THEY HAVE HAD A DIFFERENT EXPERIENCE. I'M PROUD OF YOU FOR INITIATING THIS HARD CONVERSATION. AS THE REPORT MAKES CLEAR, WE ARE NOT DONE. I'M HOPEFUL YOU WILL DO THE RIGHT THING AND SEE THIS THROUGH. WITH THAT, I THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AND TO SPEAK THIS EVENING. >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, MIKE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. >> NEXT WE HAVE TODD CAMPBELL. IF I COULD HAVE TODD CAMPBELL ACCEPT THE AUDIO PROMPT. WE WILL MOVE ON TO THE NEXT PERSON, EDWARD LEER. >> GOOD EVENING, EVERYONE. THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS FOR YOUR SERVICE AND OPEN MINDEDNESS REGARDING THIS CHALLENGING ISSUE. MY FAMILY HAS BEEN PRIVILEGED TO CALL MANHATTAN BEACH HOME SINCE 1998. WE BELIEVE IN SOCIAL JUSTICE AND WE BELIEVE IN THE RULE OF LAW. I AGREE THAT THERE ARE RACISTS IN THIS CITY, BUT DO NOT BELIEVE OUR CITY IS RACIST. I DO NOT SUPPORT AN APOLOGY. THE AS CONSTITUTED TODAY AND OUR CITIZENRY OF 2021 DID NOTHING WRONG TO THE BRUCE'S. I SUPPORT AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT, NOT AN APOLOGY OF A DESPICABLE ACT OF MANHATTAN BEACH 100 YEARS AGO. THAT ACKNOWLEDGMENT WAS MADE TO A LESSER DEGREE IN 2006. IN 2006, I WAS THE CHAIR OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION. OUR ROLE WAS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY CONCERNS ISSUES THAT WERE ASSIGNED US. AN ISSUE THAT CAME UP WAS RENAMING OF -- PARK. WE DIDN'T HAVE 300 PEOPLE ATTEND LIKE TONIGHT. BUT WE HAD 100. MY NEIGHBOR AND FRIEND, BOB BRINGHAM WHO WROTE THESIS ON THE TAKING OF BRUCE'S PROPERTY. STARTED DISCUSSION BY ADDRESSING THE CROWD WITH THE PERTINENT HISTORY HE RESEARCHED. THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE SPEAKERS SUPPORTED THE RENAMING TO BRUCE'S BEACH. THE PURPOSE WAS TO HONOR THE BRUCE FAMILY AND ADMIT THE CITY WAS COMPLICITY IN A RACIALLY MOTIVATED ACT. THE TERM DISGRACEFUL ACT WAS OFTEN REPEATED BY THE SPEAKERS THAT NIGHT. WE RECOMMENDED THE CITY RENAME THE PARK AND IT DID. THE PURPOSE OF THE NAME CHANGE WAS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE REPREHENSIBLE ACT OF RACISM. AS A CITY, WE HAVE ALREADY RECOGNIZED THE BAD ACTS. EVEN THOUGH MY POSITION IS THAT THE CITY HAS ALREADY MADE A VERY PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGMENT, NEVERTHELESS I'M

HERE FOR OVER 20. NOTHING BUT GOOD WILL COME FROM MAKING OUR TOWN

>> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, ED, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

THAT CIRCUMSTANCE THAT CANNOT HAPPEN. THANK YOU.

- >> NEXT WE HAVE LEANNE MYERS.
- >> HI, MY NAME IS LEANNE MYERS. I'VE BEEN A MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT FOR 28 YEARS. I DO NOT WANT OUR COMMUNITY TO BE ISOLATED. I WANT TO THANK THE TASK FORCE AND THE CITY COUNCIL VERY, VERY MUCH FOR THE MANY HOURS THEY PUT INTO THIS. I'M IN FAVOR OF ADOPTING ALL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TASK FORCE AND CONTINUING THE EFFORTS OF

IN FAVOR OF REPEATING THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT, NOT MAKING AN APOLOGY. IN

THE TASK FORCE. I WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE SOME CLARITY AS TO THE RESPONSIBILITY BEING TAKEN ON BY JANIS HAHN AND L.A. COUNTY. MARCH 1st SHE MADE A STATEMENT ON N.B.C. THAT SAID "THE PROPERTY THAT WAS ONCE THE BRUCE'S IS NOW OWNED BY THE COUNTY AND I WANT L.A. COUNTY TO BE PART OF RIGHTING THIS WRONG. I'M LOOKING AT EVERYTHING FROM REPURPOSING THE PROPERTY IN A WAY THAT TELLS THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH TO ACTUALLY GIVING THE PROPERTY BACK TO DESCENDANTS OF CHARLES AND WILLA BRUCE. SHE SAID THAT ON N.B.C. NEWS. I WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE MY MUCH, MUCH GRATITUDE TO THE TASK FORCE FOR ALL THEIR EFFORTS AND THAT I SUPPORT ADOPTING ALL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THEIR CONTINUED EXPERIENCE AND CONTINUING FORWARD WORKING WITH THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, THANK YOU.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, LEANNE FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS MIKE MAKOWSKY.
- >> I ASSUME YOU CAN HEAR ME, MIKE MAKOWSKY, MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT. I'M IN FAVOR OF DISBANDING THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE OR AT LEAST GETTING THEM REFOCUSED ON THE ORIGINAL GOALS OF THE PLAQUE, THE HISTORY OF THE ART WORK BUT THE ART WORK SHOULD NOT BE BUDGET OF \$500,000 AS WAS DONE IN SANTA MONICA. I KNOW COUNCIL IS ALREADY ON RECORD AS OPPOSING RESTITUTION, RESTORATION BUT THE TASK FORCE IS SUGGESTING COLLABORATING ON THE DISPOSITION OF THE LIFEGUARD FACILITY. I WOULD PUSH BACK, I'M TOTALLY OPPOSED TO THAT. I THINK THAT'S A MISGUIDED EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE COUNTY TO RETURN THAT LAND WITH THAT FACILITY ON IT TO THE BRUCE FAMILY. AS FOR THE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS, I FEEL FOR THE MOST PART COUNCIL SHOULD REJECT THEM, SPECIFICALLY THE EOUITY AND INCLUSION. LASTLY THE CITY SHOULD NOT ISSUE AN APOLOGY, I AGREE WITH ED LEER'S COMMENTS PREVIOUSLY. IT WILL ONLY BE USED BY DRIFTERS LOOKING FOR A PAY DAY AT THE EXPENSE OF MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS. YOU HAVE THREE APOLOGY RESOLUTIONS BEFORE YOU. THE BEST OF WHICH IS STEVE NAPOLITANO. BUT IT WILL BE SEIZED UPON AS ADMISSION OF CULPABILITY AND LIABILITY. COMPLIANT AND BIAS MEDIA. THE REPORTER WHO COVERS MANHATTAN BEACH WAS ACTUALLY A MEMBER OF THE ACTIVIST GROUP THAT CO-SPONSORED LAST AUGUST PROTEST RALLY, BLACK LIVES MATTER AT CITY HALL. INSTEAD OF AN APOLOGY, WE SHOULD A ISSUE ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONDEMNATION WITHOUT USING THE WORD APOLOGY. IT MAKES IT MUCH HARDER FOR THE ADVOCATES TO TWIST AND SPIN TO SAY MANHATTAN BEACH IS ADMITTING LIABILITY BY ISSUING A FORMAL APOLOGY. WE SHOULD NOT BE SHOOTING OURSELVES IN THE FUTURE BY THOSE WHO WOULD BANKRUPT OUR CITY FOR A BIG PAY DAY FOR THEMSELVES. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, MIKE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE DAVID.
- >> MY NAME IS DAVE WEBSTER, I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M IN FAVOR OF ALL FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR HARD WORK OVER THE LAST FIVE

MONTHS. DISBANDING THE TASK FORCE AT THIS POINT IS IRRESPONSIBILITY. E IRRESPONSIBLE. ALL THE FILES THEY NEED HAVEN'T BEEN RECEIVED. IT'S CLEAR THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVEN'T READ THE REPORT TONIGHT. ALSO ON THAT NOTE, ONE EARLIER COMMENTATOR STATED 25 WHITE HOMES ARE DESTROYED DURING THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN AND INDEPENDENT LOTS OWNED BY WHITE CITIZENS BUT ONLY BLACK FAMILIES HAVE THEIR HOMES PROTECTED BY THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN. JUST TO CLEAR THAT UP. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, DAVID, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS MICHELLE TRAN.
- >> HI, MY NAME IS MICHELLE TRINH, I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN MANHATTAN BEACH. MY SISTER AND I GRADUATED THROUGH THE MBUSD SCHOOL SYSTEM. I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDED. I THANK IT'S MEMBERS FOR THE WORK. WHAT YOU ARE DOING IN THIS CONVERSATION TONIGHT IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT SO PLEASE KEEP STANDING UP FOR WHAT IS RIGHT. I WASN'T ORIGINALLY PLANNING SPEAKING TONIGHT BUT I'VE BEEN SADDENED WHAT I HEARD AT THESE FORUMS. I WISH I KEPT COUNT OF THOSE WHO SAY RACISM ISN'T IN OUR TOWN. WE HAVE HAD BRAVE BLACK COMMUNITY MEMBERS COME ON THE CALL TO RECOUNT THEIR EXPERIENCE WITH RACISM IN OUR TOWN. WE NEED TO LISTEN, RESPECT AND AMPLIFY, INSTEAD TOWN HALL SIMILAR TO MANY EXPERIENCES IN THIS TOWN WITH SEVERAL WHITE PRIVILEGE FOLK TURNING THIS CONVERSATION TO BE ABOUT THEM AND THEIR FRAGILITY. I WAS HURT BY THOSE SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE BLACK FOLK HOW RACISM ISN'T REAL. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO READ MORE HOW WHITE SUPREMACY IS THE CRUX OF THESE RACIAL TENSIONS AND UNDER LIE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO TEACH YOUNGER GENERATIONS TO DO BETTER. JUST LAST YEAR DAYS AFTER WATCHING GEORGE FLOYD'S HORRIBLE MURDER, CELEBRATED WITH A UNMASKED WALK ALONG THE STRAND AFTER GETTING PERMISSION TO WALK UNDER THE GUYS OF A BLACK LIVES MATTER PROTEST. A NUMBER OF I.C.U. BEDS FILLED WITH COVID POSITIVE PATIENTS. THAT WALK WAS BLATANT WALK OF PRIVILEGE AND WE NEED TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN BETTER. RACISM EXISTS AND IT'S OUR DUTY TO RIGHT SOME WRONGS. QUITE LITERALLY THE NATION IS WATCHING. WE NEED TO SUPPORT THE RESOLUTIONS THE TASK FORCE PUT FORTH, SUPPORT THE WORK AND DO MUCH MORE. THANK YOU, GUYS FOR LISTENING.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, MICHELLE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE NATE.
- >> HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME? HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.
- >> HI, MY NAME IS NATHAN SEAVERS, I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THIS COMMUNITY FOR 30 YEARS NOW. I WAS BORN AND RAISED HERE. I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN SAID TONIGHT BY PEOPLE OF THIS COMMUNITY AND I THANK THE CITY COUNCIL FOR OFFERING THIS COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES TO SPEAK. I REJECT ALL OF THE PROPOSALS AND I THINK THE TASK FORCE SHOULD BE REDIRECTED FOR DIFFERENT PURPOSES. IN THE TIME THAT I'VE LIVED IN THIS CITY I'VE HAD A LOT OF FRIENDS, GROWING UP HAD A LOT

OF DIFFERENT FAMILY MEMBERS LIVE HERE. EVERY SINGLE PERSON I'M CLOSE WITH HAS BEEN PRICED OUT OF THE CITY. ALMOST EVERYONE I KNOW DOESN'T LIVE HERE ANY MORE. THE HOUSING RATES BECAME TOO EXPENSIVE. THINGS BECAME EXTREMELY OVER DEVELOPED. WE HAD ALL THIS STUFF IN THE SHOPPING MALL AND NORTH MANHATTAN AND ALL THAT, AND PEOPLE HAVE BEEN PRICED OUT OF THEIR OWN CITY. I FIND IT A LITTLE BIT DISINGENUOUS ALL THESE THINGS HAPPENED AND THIS PLACE HAS BECOME ELITIST AND NOW WE HAVE THE CITY COUNCIL CRYING ABOUT ELITISM AND TALKING ABOUT RACISM AND ALL THIS BIGOTRY. I DON'T DENY THERE ARE PROBABLY PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE RACIST, PROBABLY BIGOTRY AS THERE IS EVERYWHERE. BUT IT FEELS A LITTLE BIT POLITICAL AND FEELS ALMOST LIKE AN INDULGENCE. IT FEELS LIKE THIS HAS HAPPENED NOW, AND IT'S NOW TO PAY REPARATIONS YOU ARE APOLOGIZING ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE ELSE. I WONDER HOW MANY PARENTS ARE HERE. I WOULD ASK YOU TO CONSIDER HOW SUCCESSFUL HAS IT BEEN WHEN YOU FORCE ONE CHILD TO APOLOGIZE TO ANOTHER. THIS WILL BLOWUP IN EVERYBODY'S FACE. I THINK IT'S A REALLY, REALLY BAD IDEA. WHENEVER YOU FORCE SOMEONE TO APOLOGIZE, IT JUST DOESN'T WORK. IF YOU WANT TO HAVE A PLAQUE, THAT'S FINE. BUT THIS IS A REALLY BAD IDEA. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, NATE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE LYDIA --
- >> YES, THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, WHEN AN INJUSTICE HAPPENS IN MANHATTAN BEACH OR ANYWHERE, WE SHOW UP FOR EACH OTHER. IT'S NOT AN ISLAND YOU ARE CONNECTED TO NEIGHBORS NORTHEAST AND SOUTH OF YOU. YOU CAN'T TALK ABOUT MILLION DOLLAR HOMES WITHOUT RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE OR MOTHER OF ALL STATE LAWS, MELLO. IT HELPED YOU FEED THE LANDS TWICE UNSEATED BY THE TSONGA AND BLACK RELATIVES WHO CAME FROM TEXAS AND LOUISIANA TO HAVE A FREE AND BETTER LIFE. ONCE YOU STEPPED ON THAT SO- CALLED PLYMOUTH ROCK AND BOUGHT THE LAND, AGAIN UNSEEDED LAND FROM THE RELATIVES, IT WAS UP TO YOU TO CORRECT WHAT'S BEEN WRONG FOR 400 YEARS PLUS. YOU AREN'T RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT YOUR ANCESTORS DID BUT YOU DID BENEFIT FROM IT. COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. EMINENT DOMAIN PLACED OVER OUR HEADS. SYSTEMIC RACISM CONTINUES IN THE CONVERSATION YOU ARE HAVING TONIGHT. THE MELLO REQUIRES VERY LOW INCOME AND MODERATE INCOME PEOPLE AND FAMILIES LIVE IN BEACH SIDE COMMUNITIES, 16 COUNTIES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. TOO FEW OF US READY TO HONOR MELLO, SHAME ON EVERY SINGLE ONE OF US. I SUPPORT ALL FIVE OF THE MEASURES PUT FORTH. HOWEVER I WOULDN'T CALL IT DIVERSITY. YOU MUST HONOR THE DIFFERENCES AND FIND SIMILARITIES, BECAUSE DIVERSITY IS THE 1980'S WORD. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT RACISM WE MUST TALK ABOUT INCLUSIVENESS AND EQUITY. IT REQUIRES HONOR. THIS IS WHAT THE WHOLE MEETING IS ABOUT, HONOR FOR EVERYONE. IT'S THE LANGUAGE OF EQUITY THAT SHOULDN'T MAKE YOU FEEL BAD. YOU SHOULD BE READY TO EVOLVE. IT'S 2021. LET'S GROW UP, HAVE HARD FEELING AND GET THROUGH IT. THANK YOU. >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, LYDIA, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

- >> NEXT IS LANA --
- >> HI, GOOD EVENING. THANK YOU SO MUCH. MY NAME IS LANA -- I'M A 26- YEAR-OLD RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND I'VE HAD THE HONOR AND PRIVILEGE SERVING THE PAST FEW MONTHS ON THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. OUR WORK ON THE TASK FORCE COMES FROM A DEEP COMMITMENT TO RIGHTING THE WRONGS OF THE PAST. ACTS THE CITY COMMITTED A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. AND THIS IS CRITICAL BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT UNTIL WE RECOGNIZE AND ADMIT OUR ERRORS, WE CANNOT READILY MOVE FORWARD. WE ARE TAINTED. AND IF WE DO NOT ADDRESS THOSE HARMFUL ERRORS WE WILL CONTINUE TO LIVE WITH THIS STAIN IN OUR HISTORY. APOLOGIZES HELPS CLEAR THE WAY TO MOVE FORWARD SO WE CAN BETTER UNDERSTAND WHERE WE WERE AND WHERE WE WANT TO BE. WHAT THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDS ARE VARIOUS WAYS TO GET THE CITY TO WHERE WE WANT TO BE. THESE SUGGESTIONS ARE BASED IN THE VALUES OF EQUALITY, HUMANITY AND KINDNESS. THIS IS NOT A ZERO SUM GAIN WINNER TAKE ALL. NO, THERE IS ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE. IT JUST NEEDS TO BE DISTRIBUTED WITH ATTENTION, WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION. THE SUGGESTIONS PUT FORWARD BY THE TASK FORCE ARE CREATIVE WAYS THE CITY CAN EXPAND IT'S REACH AND BECOME A MODEL, A LEADER AMONG CITIES IN THE YEAR 2021. A BEACON OF LIGHT ADDRESSING SOCIAL ISSUES OF THE DAY WITH THE DREAM OF MAKING OUR SOCIETY A BETTER PLACE, A WELCOMING PLACE FOR ALL. I BELIEVE THAT WE ALL BENEFIT. WE ALL RISE UP WHEN WE BRING EVERYONE UP TOGETHER. I FEEL WE WILL BEST DO THIS BY ACCEPTING ALL FIVE POINTS IN THE RESOLUTION. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, LANA, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS CHARLEEN HARDY.
- >> HI, CHARLEEN HARDING, 20 YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU, CHARLEEN.
- >> ALL RIGHTY, I WILL TRY TO MAKE THIS QUICK JUST BECAUSE IT'S LATE. AND ALL MY COMMENTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN SAID. BUT I WOULD SAY NO ON, I GUESS IT'S 1.3 I DON'T SUPPORT THIS TASK FORCE CONTINUING. NO ON 1.4. I DO NOT SUPPORT AN APOLOGY. AND I REJECT ALL THE PROPOSALS. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, CHARLEEN, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS LEN.
- >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.
- >> YES, GOOD EVENING. THANK EVERYBODY. PARTICIPANTS AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS THAT THERE HAS TO BE WHATEVER DECISIONS YOU MAKE, THERE NEEDS TO BE A MOVE FORWARD AND NOT BACKWARD AND NOT STANDING STILL. BECAUSE THE ONLY WAY PROGRESS IS MADE IS IF THERE'S MOTION. SO IF YOU DO NOTHING, THERE IS NO PROGRESS. I WANTED TO SPEAK TO THE MAN AND SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO HAVE SAID WHY ARE WE DOING THINGS THAT HAPPENED A HUNDRED YEARS AGO? MY ANSWER TO THAT IS, WHY WERE CONFEDERATES STATUES AND MONUMENTS HERE WHEN THE CIVIL WAR WAS

FOUGHT OVER A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. AND CAPITALS WERE FORCED, ALMOST, PEOPLE WERE FORCED TO VIEW THEM. SO AMERICAN HISTORY IS IMPORTANT TO AMERICANS. NOW THE CIVIL WAR, RIGHT AFTER THE CIVIL WAR THERE WAS A THING CALLED THE RECONSTRUCTION ERA. I FEEL WAS PROBABLY THE MOST PROGRESSIVE FOR ALL AMERICANS IN THE U.S. AFTER THE CIVIL WAR, THE GOVERNMENT TOOK UPON ITSELF TO HAVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WHO HAD NO VOICE. THIS IS WHAT I THINK MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL SHOULD DO. AND YES, I SUPPORT ALL THE MEASURES. THEY SHOULD ACT FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE, DON'T HAVE THE VOICE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS. I TRUST THAT YOU WILL MAKE THE CORRECT ANSWER, BUT I SUPPORT EVEN THE DIALOGUE, BECAUSE THIS IS HOW AMERICA, AS A WHOLE, IS GOING TO MOVE FORWARD. IT'S BEEN AFRAID, PARTICULARLY IN THE LAST FOUR YEARS, AMERICA HAS BEEN AFRAID TO ACTUALLY HAVE A CIVIL DISCUSSION. THERE HAVE BEEN ARGUMENTS. THERE'S BEEN NAME-CALLING. THERE'S BEEN SO MUCH, BUT THERE'S BEEN VERY LITTLE PROGRESS IN THE SUBJECT OF RACE. SO I BELIEVE THAT THIS WILL BE A MOVE FORWARD AND I LOOK FORWARD YOU.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, LEN FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE SHELLEY LUCY.
- >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LETTING ME SPEAK. YES, I'M SHELLY LUCY. I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES AND C.E.O. OF HEAL THE BAY. HEAL THE BAY WORKS FOR CLEAN WATER AND EQUITABLE ACCESS TO COASTAL RESOURCES. WE ARE A NON-PROFIT. WE HAVE BEEN AROUND IN LOS ANGELES SINCE SANTA MONICA BAY FOR 35 YEARS FIGHTING FOR CLEAN WATER FOR EVERYONE AND EQUITABLE ACCESS TO OUR BEACHES AND OTHER COASTAL RESOURCES. WE SUPPORT THE CITY'S EFFORTS THROUGH THE WORK OF A TASK FORCE. IT IS IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE DISCRIMINATION IN COASTAL ACCESS, WHENEVER AND WHERE EVER IT OCCURS BECAUSE WE CANNOT PREVENT SOMETHING WE DO NOT RECOGNIZE. WE SUPPORT SECTIONS 1.2 AND 1.3 IN PARTICULAR. NEW FULLY RESEARCHED AND HISTORICALLY ACCURATE PLAQUE TO TELL THE STORY OF WHAT HAPPENED HERE AND ONGOING EDUCATION THROUGH A TASK FORCE WEBSITE. HEAL THE BAY IS A GROUP THAT BELIEVES IN EDUCATION. AND THIS IS A LEARNING MOMENT FOR THE PEOPLE OF MANHATTAN BEACH, FOR ALL OF OUR COASTAL CITIES AND FOR HEAL THE BAY, AS WE COMMIT TO INCREASING SAFE ACCESS TO THE COAST FOR ALL PEOPLE AND ALL COMMUNITIES. I WANT TO THANK THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE FOR YOUR WORK ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, SHELLEY, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS ALLISON HEAL.
- >> HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE CAN HEAR YOU.
- >> MY NAME IS ALLISON HAYLES. I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND ALSO A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE. FIRST OFF, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE CITY COUNCIL FOR CREATING THE TASK FORCE. AND APPOINTING ME. WE HAVE SPENT HUNDREDS OF HOURS ON DOING THIS EXPANSIVE WORK. WITH THE

INTENT OF MAKING PEACE WITH THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH. AND I WANT TO MAKE ONE THING CLEAR, I HAVEN'T HEARD ONE MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE CLAIM THAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS RACIST. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BRUCES, ALONG WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY AT THAT TIME WAS CLEARLY SYSTEMIC RACISM. AND AS A RESULT, THE BRUCE'S LOST A THRIVING BUSINESS AND HOME. I URGE EACH OF YOU TO ADOPT AN APOLOGY OF RESOLUTION AND LOOK DEEPLY INTO OUR OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS. AND I HOPE IN DOING SO, IT SETS AN EXAMPLE AND A REFLECTION OF THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE AS BEING ANTI-RACIST, INCLUSIVE AND WELCOMING. I KNOW FIRSTHAND AS IT IS TO BEING. THIS IS BIGGER THAN MANHATTAN BEACH AND YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT. AND I HOPE AT THE END OF TONIGHT, I CAN SLEEP WELL THAT YOU HAVE DONE THIS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, ALLISON, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS ALLISON C.
- >> HI, THIS IS ALLISON -- CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> YES, WE CAN.
- >> HI, THIS IS ALLISON CHAVEZ, I'M A LIVE LONG RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. THE LOCAL CONSERVATIVE TERRORISTS ARE BEHIND THIS OPPOSITION TO DOING THE RIGHT THING. THIS CELL IS THE ONE THAT PLACED THAT REPREHENSIBLE TWO- PAGE AD IN THE BEACH REPORTER. THEY LITERALLY ADVERTISED THE BIAS AND PREJUDICE OF THIS TOWN. WE ARE NOW NATIONAL NEWS. I CALL ON THE CITY COUNCIL TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND NOT LISTEN TO THIS GROUP OF TERRORISTS. I SUPPORT ALL OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE MEASURES. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, ALLISON FOR YOUR COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS SUSAN LYNN.
- >> HELLO. HI, MY NAME IS SUSAN LIM. I'M A CITIZEN OF MALAYSIA, A COUNTRY WHERE CHINESE ARE NOT TREATED AS EQUALLY AS THE NATIVE PEOPLE, SO I KNOW RACISM. I MOVED TO MANHATTAN BEACH FOR TEN YEARS, IT'S BEEN TEN YEARS I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT AND I FEEL WELCOMED BY MY NEIGHBORS AND EVERYONE AROUND ME. AND I DON'T FEEL LIKE THERE'S ANY RACISM. I KNOW RACISM, I CAME FROM A COUNTRY WHERE I'M NOT TREATED FAIRLY. I GREET EVERYONE THAT I COME ACROSS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THOSE PEOPLE WHO COME FROM SOME OTHER AREAS, THEY ARE NOT FRIENDLY AT ALL. I TRY TO GREET THEM, THEY DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO DO WITH ME. I'M NOT SURE WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT WITH THIS MANHATTAN BEACH IS RACIST. I'M NOT SEEING THAT. AND I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT FOR TEN YEARS. NOW WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A HUNDRED YEARS AGO AND WE ARE STILL STUCK IN THE PAST HOLDING GRUDGES. I THINK WE SHOULD JUST MOVE ON. I'M NOT IN SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE WE ARE TALKING ABOUT HERE. I DON'T SEE, PEOPLE THAT I KNOW LOVE PEOPLE. THEY DON'T HATE PEOPLE. AND THEY TREAT EVERYONE REALLY WELL AND THEY ARE NICE PEOPLE. I DON'T SEE RACISM IN ALL MY FRIENDS AND PEOPLE I MEET AROUND IN THIS CITY. SO I DON'T SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AT ALL. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, SUSAN, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

- >> NEXT WE HAVE STEPHANIE CASTENEDA.
- >> THANK YOU. I WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT SPECIFIC TO PAGE 241 OF THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS. AND PART OF THEIR CASE FOR CONTINUED EFFORTS. I THINK THE CONTINUE WORK OF OF THE TASK FORCE IS PIVOTAL TO DEPICT MANHATTAN BEACH AND THE WORKS STILL NECESSARY TO MOVE THE CITY FORWARD TOWARD DATA- DRIVEN SOLUTIONS. I THINK THEY HAVE DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB IN OUTLINING THE THINGS THEY WOULD DO MOVING FORWARD TO STRATEGIZE AND WORK PROGRESSIVE AND MORE EDUCATED MANHATTAN BEACH. I THINK IN TERMS OF THIS ISSUE, THERE'S A LOT OF MISINFORMATION AND SOMETIMES PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY DON'T KNOW. AND THEY COME FROM A PLACE OF SUSTAINING PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY CONCEIVED ABOUT RACE. AND THEY ARE NOT IN A PLACE TO BE EDUCATED OF IT AT THE MOMENT. BUT I THINK PART OF THIS IS CREATING A CULTURE IN MANHATTAN BEACH IN WHICH WE CAN CONTINUOUSLY ADVOCATE FOR ACTIVE LEARNING PRACTICES AND CONTINUOUSLY ADVOCATE FOR ACTIVE LEARNING POLICIES AS WELL. SOMETIMES THE ONLY WAY TO MOVE HISTORY AND THIS WORK FORWARD IS THROUGH POSITIVE POLICIES. AND I THINK US SUSTAINING THE TASK FORCE AND MOVING FORWARD WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS IS ONE OF THOSE FIRST STEPS TOWARDS MAKING THE CITY A MORE ENGAGING PLACE AND MAKING IT SO WE HAVE OUTSIDE FOLKS WHO FEEL COMFORTABLE BEING IN THAT SPACE. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, STEPHANIE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT IS STEPHANIE K.
- >> HELLO, MY NAME IS STEPHANIE -- I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND I WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF MANHATTAN BEACH BRUCE'S TASK FORCE. I HAVE BEEN LISTENING TO COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE LAST SEVERAL HOURS ABOUT WHAT IS BEST FOR OUR CITY AND ABOUT NEIGHBORLINESS. I'M REALLY HOPING FIGURING OUT WHAT'S BEST FOR OUR CITY, WHAT'S BEST FOR OUR NEIGHBORS AND GROUNDING DECISIONS WHAT IS BEST FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL WE CARE ABOUT IN THIS CITY. IN THAT SPIRIT, JENNA SPOKE EARLIER, SHE HAD PREPARED COMMENTS, SHE WAS WORRIED TO BE CUT OFF, I WOULD LIKE TO CEDE MY TIME AND GIVE THAT TIME BACK TO JENNA.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, STEPHANIE. I'M GOOD WITH THAT. I'M GETTING DIFFERENT GUIDANCE FROM OUR CITY ATTORNEY NOW. IF IT'S OKAY WITH OUR CITY ATTORNEY QUINN BARROW, WE OBVIOUSLY ARE NOT STICKING TO THE PREVIOUS PLAN.
- >> City Attorney Q. Barrow: DEFINITELY. LET HER SPEAK AGAIN.
- >> OKAY, NEXT WE HAVE HEATHER.
- >> I'M A SENIOR RESIDENT. I JUST WANT TO SAY THERE ARE RACISTS AND IDIOTS IN EVERY CITY, WE ARE NOT DEFINED BY THEM. SOME SEEM HELL BENT ON PORTRAYING AS IF THEY ARE ALL OF US. I HAVE APOLOGIZED MANY TIMES ON BEHALF OF MY CRAZY KIDS FOR THE IDIOTIC THINGS THEY HAVE DONE BUT NEVER FORMING PERMANENT POLICY CHANGES OR TRACKED THROUGH THE MUD, WE ALL MOVE ON. I'VE HEARD SOME OF YOU SAY IF YOU DECLARE YOU ARE NOT A RACIST, YOU ARE IN FACT RACIST. IS TODAY OPPOSITE DAY? I MAKE

DECLARATIVE STATEMENTS ALL THE TIME. PEOPLE HEAR AND TAKE THEM AS TRUTH. NOT JUST MY TRUTH BUT THE TRUTH. I'M NOT WHITE OR I'M NOT A MAN AND PERCEPTION OF OTHERS COULD PERCEIVE THE TRUTH I'M NOT A MAN AND I AM NOT WHITE. THIS IS A SLIPPERY SLOPE. AND ACTUALLY, WHAT ARE WE AFRAID ABOUT THE SIMPLE APOLOGY? IT'S NOT REALLY AN INTENT APOLOGY, IT'S AN ADMISSION OF GUILT STRATEGICALLY CRAFTED TO OPENING THE DOOR TO CONTINUALLY POKE AND POKE AND POKE AT OUR CITY. FUNNY, IN CONCLUSION I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU WHITE PEOPLE TONIGHT. I FEEL SORRY FOR THE WHITE RESIDENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I APOLOGIZE TO YOU ON BEHALF OF MINORITIES, YOUR SKIN COLOR DOESN'T MAKE YOU RACIST. TERMS OF WHITENESS AND BLACKNESS ARE DISHEARTENING TO HEAR. I'M SORRY TO MINORITIES WHO EVER FACED HATRED. MY FRIEND VICKI AND THEIR FAMILY ON THEIR EXPERIENCE. I KNOW THEM PERSONALLY, MY HEARTBREAKS YOUR HUSBAND AND LITTLE BOYS HAVE EVER BEEN SUBJECTED TO RACISM. I REJECT THE NOTION OF THIS APOLOGY IN 2021 ALL IT LEADS TO IS FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS. THAT MADE ME CHANGE MY MIND ON AN APOLOGY FROM THE CITY. THANK YOU.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, HEATHER, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE ZOOM PARTICIPANT BY THE NAME IS MB RESIDENT. CAN YOU HEAR?
- >> YES. MY NAME IS LEE PHILLIPS, A 20- YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WANT TO COMMENT ON THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS. I SUPPORT CONSIDERING THIS PROGRESS REPORT A FINAL PROPERTY. IT SHOULD BE LABELED APPROPRIATELY, A FINAL REPORT FROM THE TASK FORCE. I SUPPORT COMPLETION OF THE ARTS PROJECT THROUGH THE ARTS COMMISSION. I SUPPORT THE PLAQUE BEING COMPLETED BY THE ARTS AND OR PARKS COMMISSION. AND I SUPPORT, AGAIN, THIS BEING A FINAL REPORT. AND THE CITY COUNCIL ONLY CONSIDERING WHAT WAS DIRECTED AN ART PIECE, PLAQUE AND ACCURATE HISTORY. EARLIER, A FEW MINUTES AGO A CALLER CAME ON. IT APPEARED TO BE A WOMAN DISGUISING HER VOICE AS A MALE ALLEGING MY POSITION ON CERTAIN ACTIVITIES. I SUSPECT THIS WOMAN HAS BEEN, SAME WOMAN WHO HAS BEEN HARASSING ME FOR THE LAST WEEK. TOMORROW I WILL BE GOING TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY ATTORNEY SO WE CAN TAKE FURTHER ACTION. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, DR. PHILLIPS FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. >> NEXT WE HAVE JENNA AHMED.
- >> I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AGAIN. I KNOW WE ALL WANT TO GO HOME SO I WILL MAKE THIS SHORT. I'M DEEPLY SADDENED AND DISAPPOINTED AS A STUDENT TO SEE THE LACK OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY. I WOULD LIKE TO REFLECT ON THOSE SAYING THIS WAS DEALT WITH A HUNDRED YEARS AGO AND WE SHOULD MOVE ON. TO YOU, I SAY YOU MAY BE ABLE TO MOVE ON AND CERTAIN PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT MINORITIES MAY BE ABLE TO MOVE ON BECAUSE YOU WERE UNAFFECTED BUT THOSE WHO WERE SIMPLY CANNOT, NOR DO WE EXPECT THEM TO. I HAVE LOVED GROWING UP HERE AND CHERISH ALL MY MEMORIES HERE, BUT I'VE BEEN

LYING TO SAY I HAVEN'T EXPERIENCED MY OWN RACIST ENCOUNTERS. THEREFORE AS A COMMUNITY WE ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE TO BE BETTER. NO ONE IS CALLING YOU OUT OR TELLING YOU THAT YOU ARE A BAD PERSON. TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON COMMENTS THAT EXPRESSED FEAR, IF WE ARE LABELED AS RACIST. I ASK YOU, DO WE WANT TO REPRESENT A TOWN THAT FIGHTS TOOTH AND NAIL WHO REJECTS THE OPPORTUNITY. WORKED TIRELESSLY FOR DIVERSE AND ACCEPTING. IT'S HEALTHY AND CONSTRUCTIVE STEP TOWARD ADDRESSING THE GLOBAL REALITY OF ANTI- BLACKNESS. YOUR CONSTITUENTS ARE ASKING TO SHOW WHAT THE COMMUNITY IS CAPABLE OF. THE CHANGE WE ARE CAPABLE OF. AND THE HEALING WE ARE CAPABLE OF. I LEAVE YOU WITH THIS. WHAT KIND OF EXAMPLE DO YOU WANT TO SET FOR YOUNG PEOPLE? IF YOU ARE TEACHING US TO LEARN TO SAY SORRY AND LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF HISTORY AND LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A GOOD PERSON WHO UNDERSTANDS PEOPLE'S EXPERIENCES AND PERSPECTIVES, THEN IT'S TIME WE AS A COMMUNITY EMBODY THAT AS WELL. BY SUPPORTING ALL FIVE RESOLUTIONS PLACED FORWARD BY THE TASK FORCE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, JENNA.
- >> SORRY, MADAM MAYOR, I'M CHECKING THE CHAT ROOM ONE MORE TIME TO MAKE SURE I HAVEN'T MISSED ANY ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS. WITH THAT, THERE'S NO MORE PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU SO MUCH, MARTHA. WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS. AND WE WILL RETURN TO MY COLLEAGUES. QUESTION ON AGENDA ITEM 12. WHICH IS THE BRUCE'S BEACH REPORT. WE WANT TO DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON THE PROGRESS REPORT, THE CO-CHAIR NOTES, THE APPENDICES AND THE LETTER OF APOLOGY. SO I'M GOING OVER TO PICTURE OF THE SCREEN. WHO WOULD LIKE TO START US OFF? STEVE, IS YOUR HAND UP?
- >> S. Napolitano: OKAY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: IT LOOKED LIKE IT WAS.
- >> S. Napolitano: THAT'S FINE. I WILL START IT OFF. YOU KNOW, THIS ISN'T ABOUT ME, BUT I HAVE LEARNED A LOT DURING THIS PROCESS. I'VE LEARNED I HAVE A SECRET SUBVERSIVE AGENDA WHICH APPARENT IS SO SECRET I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS. I'VE LEARNED I'M THE POWER BROKER, SO POWERFUL I GOT APPOINTED TO A TASK FORCE I DIDN'T VOLUNTEER, ONLY TO BE ACCUSED OF DOING THINGS I NEVER SAID OR DONE. I'M A TRICKY ATTORNEY. I WILL LET YOU FIGURE THAT ONE OUT. BUT NOW MY CLIENTS WILL HAVE MUCH HIGHER EXPECTATIONS OF ME. I'VE LEARNED IT'S EASY TO TAKE OUT ADS AND SEND OUT MAILERS THAT ARE MORE DIVISIVE OF WHAT THEY ALLEGE AND EASIER TO DO ANONYMOUSLY. THOSE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS I LEARNED. WHAT I ALREADY KNEW AND STILL KNOW IS THE PEOPLE OF MANHATTAN BEACH ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT THEIR COMMUNITY AND DON'T WANT TO SEE ITS REPUTATION WRONGFULLY ATTACKED. I SHARE THAT PASSION AND I HAVE MY ENTIRE LIFE. I HAVE REPEATEDLY SAID THAT WE ARE NOT A RACIST CITY, I SAY IT AGAIN NOW. AND FINALLY, AND FULLY DEALING WITH THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH

DOESN'T MAKE IT RACIST. THE TASK FORCE'S MEETINGS WERE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, YET MANY OF THOSE WHO HAVE SPOKEN AGAINST THE TASK FORCE TONIGHT NEVER LET THE TASK FORCE KNOW THEIR THOUGHTS AT THOSE MEETINGS. I WANT TO THANK THE TASK FORCE FOR THEIR WORK. THEY KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THIS WAS GOING TO BE EASY FROM THE GET-GO. YET THEY WORKED THEIR BUTTS OFF AS FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. AGREE WITH WORK PRODUCT OR NOT, THEY PUT IN THE WORK AND DID THEIR BEST. THEY DON'T DESERVE THE IRE DIRECTED AT THEM. THEY GAVE UP HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF THEIR TIME AFTER COUNCIL ASKED THEM. WHERE WE ARE NOW WHILE PREDICTABLE IS NOT WHERE WE SHOULD BE DESPITE BEST EFFORTS. INSTEAD OF CONSENSUS THERE IS DIVISIVENESS. INSTEAD OF COLLABORATION AND UNDERSTANDING, THERE IS BLAME AND THERE'S PLENTY TO GO AROUND. IT'S REALLY A SHAME. WE CAN SIT AROUND AND POINT FINGERS AT EACH OTHER BUT AT THE END OF IT ALL WHAT DO WE DO NOW? ON THE ONE HAND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE TASK FORCE MEMBERS FOR STEPPING UP AND GIVING BEST EFFORTS TO DO WHAT WAS ASKED OF THEM. THE COUNCIL DIDN'T PUT TOGETHER A TASK FORCE TO DO NOTHING. ON THE OTHER HAND I DON'T AGREE WITH EVERYTHING THEY HAVE WRITTEN. THAT'S OKAY. IT DOESN'T MEAN I'M WRONG OR THEY ARE WRONG. IT'S WHY I SUBMITTED THE NOTE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS. IT STILL PUTS ME IN THE AWKWARD POSITION NOT BEING ENTIRELY SUPPORTIVE OF SOMETHING I WAS CO-CHAIR ON. NOT TO SET UP A TASK FORCE IN THE FUTURE. BUT AGAIN, WE ARE WHERE WE ARE. WITH THAT IN MIND, I WILL ADDRESS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE. FIRST, I THINK WE SHOULD ACCEPT THE HISTORY REPORT AS A WORK IN PROGRESS. THAT'S WHAT HISTORY IS. WE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE MORE INFORMATION, MORE IS STILL DUE TO BE FOUND OUT WHEN ACCESS TO THE HALL OF RECORDS RETURNS. STAFF CAN MAKE ADDITIONS IN THE FUTURE THAT ARE HISTORICALLY VERIFIED WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. THIS HISTORY SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE POSTED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE. I THOROUGHLY AGREE WITH THAT. WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE THAT HISTORY AVAILABLE TO OUR SCHOOLS TO ADD TO THEIR CURRICULUM. BASED ON THIS HISTORY WE SHOULD ASK THE SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS TO PUT TOGETHER THE LANGUAGE OF A NEW PLAQUE IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND IF NOT AVAILABLE DIRECT STAFF TO DO IT AND RESEARCH POTENTIAL DISPLAY OPTIONS AND BRING THOSE BACK TO COUNCIL AS WELL. WE SHOULD APPROVE THE ART INSTALLATION IN APPENDIX 3. AS FOR AN APOLOGY, THIS HAS GENERATED A LOT OF HEARTBURN FOR SOME FOLKS AND I UNDERSTAND WHY. BUT I CONTINUE TO BELIEVE AN APOLOGY FOR HISTORIC WRONG COULD BE POWERFUL FORM OF RECONCILIATION. RONALD REAGAN MADE A FORMAL APOLOGY FOR THE JAPANESE INTERMENT. I SAW OUR GOVERNMENT TRYING TO ADDRESS A PAST WRONG WE COLLECTIVELY CAME TO KNOW AS BEING WRONG. I OFFERED MY APOLOGY TO NARROW THE ISSUES OF THE HISTORIC WRONG THAT LEAD TO CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTIES AROUND BRUCE'S BEACH WHILE SPECIFICALLY RECOGNIZING NO ONE TODAY IS PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT HAPPENED. IF SOMEONE WANTS TO CALL IN AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND REGRET, I'M OPEN TO THAT CONSIDERATION.

LET'S TALK ABOUT THAT. AS FOR ANY FURTHER ACTIONS, I WILL LISTEN TO WHAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE TO SAY. WHATEVER FORM THEY TAKE, WE PROBABLY NEED A NEW MECHANISM TO BUILD THE -- THAT ELUDED US. THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A STEP TOWARD GREATER UNDERSTANDING AND THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO GET BACK TO. THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR. >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO. I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU AND MAYOR PRO TEM HILDY STERN MY THANKS FOR THE COUNTLESS HOURS YOU PUT AS WELL TO THE TASK FORCE. THANK YOU. AND NOW I'M SCROLLING, SCROLLING. OKAY. WHO NEXT? HILDY, MAYOR PRO TEM STERN? >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE YOU THANKING US SO I WANT TO TURN THAT THANK YOU BACK TO THE TASK FORCE. FROM APPROXIMATELY 100 APPLICANTS, THIS COUNCIL APPOINTED THE 13 MEMBERS AND TWO ALTERNATES TO DO THIS GOOD WORK. THESE MEMBERS, ALL RESIDENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH REPRESENT A DIVERSE CROSS SECTION OF OUR COMMUNITY. DIVERSE IN RACE AND HERITAGE, AGE, GENDER, EXPERIENCE AND TALENTS. I WANT TO BE SURE TO RECOGNIZE THIS DEDICATED GROUP THEY SPENT HUNDREDS OF HOURS VOLUNTEERING THEIR TIME TOWARD THIS EFFORT. THEY DID SO WITH PASSION AND COMPASSION. I COMMEND THEM FOR THEIR TENACITY, I APPRECIATE THEM FOR THEIR UNENDING HARD WORK. TO READ DISPARAGING COMMENTS OUESTIONING THEIR INTENTION IS DISGRACEFUL. THEY ARE MEMBERS OF THIS COMMUNITY AND I HAVE THE UTMOST RESPECT THEY HAVE APPROACHED THIS TASK FORCE WITH CIVILITY. AT THE FIRST MEETING THE MEMBERS WERE ASKED TO SAY IN ONE WORD WHAT THEY WANTED TO ACHIEVE WITH THIS EFFORT. LET ME LIST FOR YOU THOSE ASPIRATIONAL IDEAS. ENLIGHTENMENT. BEGINNING. COMMUNITY. EMPATHY. COMPASSION. PROGRESS. LEADER. AWARENESS. CHANGE, UNDERSTANDING, EDUCATION, HEALING AND POWER. LET'S JUXTAPOSE THAT. IT'S NOT A SECRET THERE'S A WELL COORDINATED EFFORT TO UNDERMINE THE WORK OF THE TASK FORCE. WE HAVE SEEN THE SCARE TACTICS WHICH HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY DISSEMINATING FALSE INFORMATION. THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA, FLYERS, SENDING LETTERS AND MOST PUBLICLY IN THE TWO-PAGE AD IN THE BEACH REPORTER IN AN EFFORT TO QUASH THE EFFORTS OF THE TASK FORCE. THIS TACTIC OF REPEATING THE SAME FALSE NARRATIVE OVER AND OVER IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE IT TRUE DOES NOT IN FACT MAKE IT TRUE. UNLESS OF COURSE WE LET IT BY NOT CALLING IT OUT FOR WHAT IT IS. RIGHT NOW LET'S CALL IT OUT AND CLARIFY WHAT HAS BEEN MISLEADING AND OUTRIGHT FALSE SO THE REACTION TO THESE MISSTATEMENTS DO NOT GUIDE OUR DECISION-MAKING. LET'S JUST START WITH THE MOST OBVIOUS. MANHATTAN BEACH IS NOT A RACIST CITY. THE INFORMATION ON THE TASK FORCE'S PROGRESS REPORT DOES NOT ACCUSE ANYONE OR THE CITY OF BEING RACIST. NOR IS THAT THE INTENTION. IRONICALLY THE ACQUISITION THAT THE WORK OF THE TASK FORCE WILL TARNISH THE REPUTATION OF MANHATTAN BEACH HAS ONLY BEEN ADVANCED BY THE VERY CONCERNED CITIZENS OF MANHATTAN BEACH, WHO ARE RAISING IT. IN THE PAST YEAR, INFORMATION ABOUT BRUCE'S BEACH HAS BEEN REPORTED IN NEWS ARTICLES IN THIS AREA, THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND ACROSS THE

COUNTRY, REPORTERS HAVE ALSO COVERED ON LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWSCASTS AND RADIO SHOWS. UNIVERSITIES HAVE WRITTEN ARTICLES AND HOSTED DISCUSSIONS. SCHOOLS HAVE BROUGHT STUDENTS TO BRUCE'S BEACH TO VISIT AND LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY. IN NONE OF THESE INSTANCES, HOWEVER, HAS A CLAIM BEEN MADE MANHATTAN BEACH IS A RACIST CITY. IN FACT, THE REPORTING INDICATES THIS IS WATCHED WITH INTEREST AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO TAKE ACTION TO ADDRESS THIS HISTORY. THE ONLY TARNISHING OF MANHATTAN BEACH'S REPUTATION COMES FROM THESE REPEATED FALSE ATTEMPTS TO DRUM UP FEAR. MANY OTHER FALSE STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE OF US, SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS AND WE CAN CERTAINLY DISCUSS THOSE WHEN WE CONSIDER EACH OF THE ITEMS. FOR NOW THOUGH, LET'S NOT ALLOW THIS FEAR AND FALSEHOOD TO CORRODE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ITS WELL-BEING. INSTEAD, LET'S MOVE FORWARD WITH INTENTION AND CLARITY. SO WHERE DOES THAT LEAD US? WAS FORMING THIS TASK FORCE A BEGINNING OR WAS IT AN END? WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY HERE TO BE PART OF A CONVERSATION. DO WE HIDE BEHIND THE BRAVADO OUR HISTORY WAS ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED AND SHOULD DO NO MORE OR MEET THIS MOMENT AND EMBRACE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE BETTER. DO WE ENGAGE IN WILLFUL BLINDNESS, SILENCE OUR COMMUNITY OR PROCEED WITH COURAGE AND RECOGNIZE THAT WE ARE RAISING ISSUES MAY BE RISKY, NOT DOING SOMETHING IS FAR MORE DETRIMENTAL. I'M WILLING TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO EMBRACE THIS MOMENT. THE MOMENT WHEN INTEGRITY SHOULD BE OUR GUIDE. WE CAN OWN UP TO WHAT WAS DONE WRONG 100 YEARS AGO. WE CAN CONTINUE TO LEARN ABOUT WHAT WE CAN DO TO BE OUR MORE EXCELLENT SELVES. WE CAN DO THIS TO BRING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER. I STAND WITH THE TASK FORCE WHO BELIEVE THAT ENLIGHTENMENT, BEGINNING, COMMUNITY, EMPATHY, COMPASSION, PROGRESS, LEADER, AWARENESS, RESOLUTION, CHANGE, UNDERSTANDING, EDUCATION, EMPOWER AND HEALING IS HOW WE MAKE PROGRESS TOGETHER. SO I ASK YOU MADAM MAYOR AND FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS TO THINK VERY CRITICALLY AS WE CONSIDER THE LIST OF RECOMMENDATIONS. WHERE WILL YOU STAND AS WE AS A CITY ADDRESS BRUCE'S BEACH AND BROADER QUESTION OF WHAT DO WE DO NEXT? I WOULD SUGGEST PERHAPS WE TAKE THEM ONE BY ONE AND DISCUSS THEM ONE BY ONE.

>> Mayor Hadley: I WILL ASK FOR A MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING PAST 11 P.M.

- >> I SO MOVE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN HAS MOVED. MAYOR PRO TEM SECONDED. LIZA COULD WE HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE TO EXTEND THE MEETING.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.
- >> R. Montgomery: UNTIL MIDNIGHT, YES.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: DO WE GET TO SAY A TIME?
- >> MAYOR HADLEY

- >> Mayor Hadley: UNTIL MIDNIGHT.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> THANK YOU, I THINK WE WILL GO --

>> THANK YOU, MAYOR AND FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS. I HAVE A STATEMENT, I'M A AGAINST A RESOLUTION OF APOLOGY AND INSTEAD SUPPORT ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONDEMNATION OF THE RACIST ACTIONS THAT TOOK PLACE OVER 100 YEARS AGO IN MANHATTAN BEACH. I WOULD LIKE TO START OFF READING A LETTER FROM A MANHATTAN BEACH HOME OWNER WHO CAME HERE MANY TIMES WITH THEIR SINGLE MOTHERS STARTING 1990. AS A CURRENT RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH, I BELIEVE MANHATTAN BEACH IS NOT A RACIST CITY. I GREW UP IN A LOW INCOME AREA IN LOS ANGELES WHERE RACISM DID EXIST, HOWEVER, IT WAS AMONGST EACH OTHER AND NOT AT THE HANDS OF THE WHITE FAMILIES WHO WENT TO MY SCHOOL AND LIVED IN THE COMMUNITY. AS A PERSON OF COLOR I WAS CONSTANTLY RIDICULED IN SCHOOL FOR BEING TOO DARK, TOO LIGHT, DID NOT KNOW WHERE I FIT IN. AS A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH, I DIDN'T FEEL PEOPLE OF MANHATTAN BEACH ARE RACIST. I WAS RAISED BY -- LIVING PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK. MY MOTHER WORKED HARD TO GIVE US EVERYTHING WE HAD. WHEN I BECAME AN ADULT I WORKED HARD TO ENJOY THE COMFORTS I DIDN'T HAVE GROWING UP. I HAVE SPOKEN TO MY MOTHER WHO STILL LOVES TO COME VISIT ME AT MANHATTAN BEACH. SHE ASSURED ME WE WERE NEVER VICTIMS OF RACISM FOR OUR DARK SKIN WHEN WE WOULD VISIT YEARS AGO AND SHE HAS NEVER FELT PEOPLE OF MANHATTAN BEACH ARE OR WERE RACIST AGAINST HER. RESIDENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH SHOULD NOT BE MADE TO FEEL GUILTY FOR HARD WORK AND BEING ABLE TO ENJOY A COMFORTABLE LIFE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. END OUOTE. MERELY SAYING THE BRUCE FAMILY IS NOT ENOUGH. WE KNOW SEGREGATION WAS LEGAL. WE CAME AS A NATION TO BELIEVE IT WAS NOT MORAL. SLOWLY BUT STEADFASTLY, OUR COUNTRY CREATED SUCH HEINOUS ACTS OF RACISM. THANKS TO THE DIFFICULT WORK OF DEDICATED RESIDENTS LIKE ROBERT BRINGHAM IN THE 1950'S DOCUMENTING RACIALLY MOTIVATED EVENTS AND PATRICK McBRIDE WHO BROUGHT THEM TO THE ATTENTION OF OUR CITY COUNCIL IN 2005, MANHATTAN BEACH FACED THESE UGLY, CENTURY-OLD TRUTHS. IT TURNED OUT TO BE A DIFFICULT AND NECESSARY STEP THAT BRINGS US HERE TODAY. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY SINCERE GRATITUDE TO THE TASK FORCE FOR THE TIME AND EFFORT THEY HAVE PUT IN THE REPORTS. IT'S NOT EASY WORK AND MANY TIMES IT'S THANKLESS WORK, BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU. THEIR WORK IS COMPLETE AS IT IS NOW RECEIVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL. THE HISTORY REPORT PREVIOUSLY UNKNOWN FACTS WHICH GIVE US INSIGHT INTO THE RACIST EVENTS OVER A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. WE HAVE MORE CONTEXT ABOUT THE PIONEERING SPIRIT AND ENTREPRENEURIAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF BRUCE. I WANT THAT HISTORY TO BE CURATED, SHOWN AND TAUGHT. WE ALSO LEARNED THERE WERE ACTIONS CONTRARY TO RACIST ACTS. WHEN THE BRUCES SEARCHED FOR A PLACE TO START THEIR BUSINESS, THEY FOUND THE DOORS TO MANY OTHER SEASIDE CITIES CLOSED SHUT TO THEM. BUT THEY WERE ABLE TO BUY THEIR FIRST LOT ON THE BEACH IN MANHATTAN BEACH. THEIRS WAS ONE OF THE FIRST LOTS BUILT UPON IN THAT SPARSE AREA. OVER THE NEXT DECADE, THEY WERE JOINED BY FOUR OTHER BLACK FAMILIES AND I'M TOLD ABOUT 20 WHITE FAMILIES WHO BOUGHT LOTS NEARBY. THE BRUCES WERE ABLE TO BUY ADJACENT LOTS TO THEIRS SEVERAL YEARS LATER. THE BRUCE'S COLLABORATED WITH THE CITY SEVERAL TIMES FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND WILLA WAS MADE A DEPUTY MARSHAL. AFTER THE RACIALLY INSPIRED CONDEMNATION ACTION, BLACK FAMILIES FORCED TO SELL WERE STILL ALLOWED TO BUY LOTS OR HOMES ELSEWHERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH WITH THE COMPENSATION THEY RECEIVED. FOUR OF THE FIVE BLACK FAMILIES ALONG WITH THE WHITE FAMILIES CHOSE TO DO SO. THE BRUCE FAMILY DID NOT. THE BRUCES WERE STRIPPED OF THEIR LAND AND LIVELIHOOD BUT RECEIVED COMPENSATION, WHICH TOOK INTO ACCOUNT THE VALUE OF THEIR BUSINESS. THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE STATED THE LOS ANGELES TIMES REPORTED THE COMPENSATION PAGE OF THE BRUCE FAMILY AS, ABOVE MARKET VALUE. UNQUOTE. SPECULATION -- THE FAILURE OF THE RED CAR LINE WHICH BROUGHT SO MANY VISITORS. THE GREAT DEPRESSION. PROHIBITION. WORLD WAR II WHICH SAW THE WEST COAST BEACHES BLOCKED AND FORTIFIED WITH BARB WIRE GUARDING AGAINST POSSIBLE ENEMY ATTACKS. PRESENT DAY MANHATTAN BEACH AND INDEED THE ENTIRE COUNTRY IS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN A CENTURY AGO. MANHATTAN BEACH HAS BECOME A HIGHLY DESIRABLE PLACE TO LIVE. DILIGENT ATTENTION AND CONTINUOUS --THE SCHOOL, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, PROPERTY VALUES HAVE STEADILY GROWN. MANY PEOPLE WISH TO LIVE HERE BUT NOT EVERYONE CAN DUE TO THE HIGH PRICES. IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF RACE. IT'S A QUESTION WHETHER INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES OF ANY RACE CAN AFFORD TO LIVE HERE. I STAND AGAINST THE RESOLUTION OF APOLOGIES. I STAND AGAINST THE RESOLUTION OF APOLOGIES OFFERED FOR CONSIDERATION. PREFERRING INSTEAD ACKNOWLEDGING AND CONDEMNING THE PAST MISDEEDS OF THE CITY COUNCIL. I FURTHER OBJECT TO THE PLEDGES OF INCLUSION AND SUGGESTIVE REMEDIES. ONE SUCH REMEDY IS A CALL FOR TASK FORCE OVERSIGHT OF OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN THE REPORTS' CONCLUSION THE TASK FORCE SAYS LOOK FORWARD TO ADDRESSING THE ASPIRATIONAL ISSUES ADDRESSED IN APPENDIX 5 IN THE COMING MONTHS. IN 2019 -- 23% OF ARRESTS WERE PEOPLE OF COLOR. OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS WITH APPROXIMATELY 750,000 POLICE DISPATCHES, THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN 36 COMPLAINTS. OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT IS TO BE APPLAUDED AND EMULATED FOR SUCH A RECORD. NOT HAVE VALUABLE TIME TAKEN BY CIVILIAN TASK FORCE UNTRAINED IN THE MUNICIPAL POLICE FORCE. ANOTHER REMEDY APPENDIX 5.20 CALLS FOR CREATION OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION COMMISSION. TASKED WITH STUDYING PROPOSALS FOR THE RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE ENDURING HARMFUL IMPACT OF SYSTEMIC DISCRIMINATION AGAINST BLACK AMERICANS AND OTHER PERSONS OF COLOR. SUCH REDRESS IS ALREADY MANDATED WITHIN OUR CURRENT SET OF LAWS. PROSECUTION OF SUCH ARE HANDLED BY THOSE LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS BEST EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THIS FUNCTION. THE NEED FOR THE D.E.I.C. CONTRADICTS BELIEFS STATED BY COUNCIL CO-CHAIRS OF THE TASK FORCE. MAYOR PRO TEM STERN WRITES, A NOTE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS WE DON'T DO THIS BECAUSE WE THINK MANHATTAN BEACH IS A CITY, WE DO IT BECAUSE WE KNOW IT IS NOT. COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO STATES IN HIS APOLOGY DRAFT OUR COMMUNITY AND POPULATION IS LOVING, TOLERANT AND WELCOMING TO ALL. UNQUOTE. A FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE PASSED AND ENFORCED MANY ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS. THE FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING ACT OF 1968 AND FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING OF 1988 PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF THE FOLLOWING. PROTECTED CATEGORIES. RACE OR COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL ORIGIN, AGE, FAMILIAL STATUS, DISABILITY OR SEX. THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH'S 35,000 RESIDENTS TODAY LIVE LIVES FAR DIFFERENTLY THAN SOME RESIDENTS A HUNDRED YEARS AGO. WE ARE THIS WAY NOT DUE TO PLEDGES OF INCLUSION AND REMEDIES LIKE THOSE OUTLINED IN THE APOLOGY DOCUMENTS. BUT BY LIVING GOOD CARING LIVES. BY GOOD FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WHO CAME BEFORE US AND WHO LIVE HERE NOW WHO RESPECT EACH OTHER AND TEACH THEIR CHILDREN TO BE RESPECTFUL, HELPFUL, LOVING AND TOLERANT. THESE PLEDGES OF INCLUSION AND REMEDIES WERE NOT IN PLACE WHEN OUR COMMUNITIES SHOWED OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FOR THE DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD IN MINNEAPOLIS, 2000 MILES AWAY. MANY MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS FILLED THE BASE OF THE PIER ON JULY 9th LAST YEAR JOINING PEACEFUL PROTESTORS. THEY WERE REPORTEDLY CLOSE TO 1,000 SPECTATORS LINED UP ALONG MANHATTAN BEACH AND THE TWO UPPER PARKING LOTS. THE MAJORITY WERE LIKELY MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS WHO PEACEFULLY WITNESSED THIS EVENT. OUR MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE ACTED PROFESSIONALLY WITH RESPECT, PRUDENCE AND CAREFUL PLANNING TO ENSURE IT WAS CONDUCTED WITHOUT INCIDENT. THESE PLEDGES OF INCLUSION AND REMEDIES WEREN'T IN PLACE RECENTLY WHEN HUNDREDS OF SURFERS DID A PADDLE OUT FOR SOMEONE CALLED A RACIAL SLUR. THESE WERE NOT IN PLACE WHEN HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS HELD A CANDLELIGHT VIGIL TO SUPPORT THE CLINTON FAMILY, WHEN THEY WERE THE VICTIM OF A FIRE BOMBING, INVESTIGATED AS A RACE CRIME. THESE PARAMOUNT EVENTS THE FUROR FOR APOLOGY WITH ANTI RACIST REMEDIES BUT THE VERY OUTPOURING OF SUPPORT FROM PRESENT DAY MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS FOR THESE EVENTS CLEARLY DEMONSTRATES BY SUCH REMEDIES ARE NOT NEEDED. RACISM IS NOT IN OUR D.N.A. AS HAS BEEN ALLEGED. DOING THE RIGHT THING IS. HERE IS A RECENT LETTER FROM ANOTHER RESIDENT REGARDING THE CLINTON FAMILY TRAGEDY. QUOTE. WHEN THIS HAPPENED I WAS DRIVING A CARPOOL FOR MY CHILDREN AND OTHERS TO MIDDLE AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THREE DAYS AFTER THE EVENT I ASKED THE FIVE KIDS IN MY CARPOOL IF ANY KNEW THE KIDS OF THIS FAMILY TO WHOM THIS HAPPENED. ALL THE KIDS KNEW THE CHILDREN OF THIS FAMILY. WHEN I ASKED WHO THEY WERE, I RECEIVED MANY DESCRIPTIONS. LE THEY WERE ON MY SOCCER TEAM, IN MY ENGLISH CLASS. MANY DESCRIPTIONS. NOT ONCE IN THE THREE DAYS OF SCHOOL IN THE MORNING OR HOME IN THE AFTERNOON DID ONE OF THE FIVE CHILDREN MENTION THIS FAMILY WAS BLACK. THE RACE OF THE FAMILY WAS OF ZERO CONCERN TO ANY OF THE CHILDREN IN MY CARPOOL. IT WASN'T UNTIL I CAME

HOME WEDNESDAY MY WIFE ANNOUNCED WE WERE GOING TO MAT LOCKS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VIGIL. I BELIEVE THESE KIDS DON'T SEE RACE AND I BELIEVE THEIR PARENTS TAUGHT THEM THESE VALUES. END QUOTE. THE WORK FOR UNIT AND FAIRNESS IS DONE IN THE THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF OUR RESIDENTS HOMES. IN THEIR PLACES OF WORSHIP. WITH THE GUIDANCE OF PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS, AUNTS AND UNCLES, RELIGION LEADERS, MENTORS AND FRIENDS, WITH THEIR HEARTS ONGOING CONSISTENT EXAMPLES AND TEACHING. SUCH IMPORTANT WORK SHOULD BE LEFT TO OUR VERY CAPABLE RESIDENTS. PLEDGES OF INCLUSION AND REMEDIES TO PREVENT RACISM ARE BEYOND THE PURVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT. I'VE SAID MANY TIMES, MOVING FORWARD, I ONLY ASK THAT MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS ARE JUDGED NOT FOR THEIR RACIST ACTS PERPETRATED BY PAST, BUT HOW OUR RESIDENTS REACT TO SUCH ACTS IN THE PRESENT. I PROPOSE A LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONDEMNATION OF THE COUNCIL OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND SOME RESIDENTS OVER 100 YEARS AGO. THE COMMUNITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH TODAY IS LOVING, TOLERANT AND WELCOMING TO ALL. WE WILL LEARN FROM THE PAST AND CONTINUE TO INFORM AND EDUCATE OURSELVES AND OUR FAMILIES, AS WE HAVE ALWAYS DONE. THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN. AND NOW, COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.

>> R. Montgomery: THANK YOU. DUE TO THE LATENESS OF THE HOUR, I WILL TRY TO BE MORE SUCCINCT. I WANT TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT HERE ABOUT HOW AND WHY THE TASK FORCE WAS CREATED. I KNOW IT COMES UP A LOT. AFTER THE MURDER OF GEORGE FLOYD AND ENSUING PROTESTS NATIONWIDE AND HERE IN THIS CITY, THE CITY COUNCIL OF 2020 WANTED TO PRESENT A NON-BIASED HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH BASED ON FACTS TO OUR RESIDENTS. I KNOW ALL THIS TO BE UNDENIABLY TRUE BECAUSE I WAS THE MAYOR AT THE TIME. AS MAYOR, I ASKED COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO AND COUNCILMEMBERS STERN TO HEAD UP BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. STEVE WAS A NATIVE MB RESIDENT WAS THE LOGICAL FIRST CHOICE. I WOULD REMIND EVERYONE STEVE IS SERVING HIS SIXTH TERM ON COUNCIL. NOT CONSECUTIVELY. AND HAS THE HIGHEST VOTES IN THE CITY HISTORY. HE HAS REPRESENTED WELL OVER 20 YEARS. NO ONE NEEDS TO DOUBT HIS CONVICTION OR WHERE HIS HEART IS. AND HILDY, OF COURSE. SHE WEARS HER HEART ON HER SLEEVE AS WE ALL KNOW. THERE'S A HISTORY. SO IT WASN'T ANYBODY -- STEVE AND HILDY NOT JUMPING IN FRONT WAVING TO GET THEIR ATTENTION. I ASKED THEM, THEY SAID YES. THEY BOTH COULD HAVE SAID NO, THEY DID NOT. I APPRECIATE DEDICATION AND EFFORTS ALONG WITH THE ENTIRE TASK FORCE. UNDENIABLY TOUGH JOB FOR ALL OF YOU. HILDY AND STEVE, ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US, THANK YOU. I'M ALSO EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED ON THE ATTACKS ON THEM VIA EMAIL AND THAT CESSPOOL NEXT DOOR. ALONG WITH VERBAL HARASSMENT ON MAYOR PRO TEM STERN. THAT'S NOT OKAY. AND THAT'S NOT WHO WE ARE. IT DOESN'T REFLECT WHO WE ARE. BOTH SIDES OF THE ARGUMENT DESERVE RESPECT AND CAN DISAGREE. BUT CHEAP SHOTS FROM EITHER SIDE IS NOT HELPFUL AND DRIVES EACH SIDE FARTHER APART. TONIGHT I HEARD CLASSY

COMMENTS. COMMENTS. FROM CLARENCE WOOTEN OR OUINTON, I KNOW MIKE JENKINS AND DR. ANTHONY LEE. AND THOSE COMMENTS THOSE PEOPLE MADE TONIGHT SHOULD REVERBERATE AROUND THE COUNTRY. I'M DISAPPOINTED IN THE ANONYMOUS ADS AND EMAILS WE ALL SAW. IF PEOPLE SPEND TIME AND MONEY ON AN AD OR EMAIL, PLEASE HAVE THE COURAGE, INTESTINAL FORTITUDE TO SIGN YOUR NAME. ACTS OF DESPERATION AND PITIFUL. THAT SAID THE TASK FORCE WAS APPOINTED FROM AMONG OUR RESIDENTS. OUR RESIDENTS. AND SET UP ON THE TASK OF HISTORICAL PRESENTATION ON THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH. WHICH THEY DID, BY THE WAY. WELL DONE. ALONG WITH THE ONE ALLIE DID FOR THE CITY. AND A NEW PLAQUE WITH REVISED VERBIAGE. AND ART THAT WILL BE PLACED AT THE PARK. THAT'S WHERE THE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL ARE FOCUSED. I'M AWARE THE TASK FORCE ALSO DISCUSSED ADDITIONAL ISSUES THEY BELIEVE WERE PERTINENT TO THE TOPIC, THOUGH NOT THE DIRECTION THE COUNCIL PROVIDED TO THE TASK FORCE. I UNDERSTAND HOW AND WHY IT HAPPENED. I RECEIVED OVER 600 EMAILS. I'M SURE MY COLLEAGUES DID AS WELL. ON THIS TOPIC WITH MANY FROM OUT-OF-STATE OR OUT OF THE CITY, AS WE HEARD TONIGHT. I READ EACH ONE AND SELECTED ONE TO SHARE WITH YOU TONIGHT FROM RESIDENT. DON'T WORRY, IT'S BRIEF. THE OTHER ONE COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN READ ALREADY. THIS ONE SAYS I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I HAVE TWO YOUNG CHILDREN WHO ARE MULTIRACIAL. MY WIFE AND I PLAN TO REMAIN IN THE COMMUNITY FOR YEARS TO COME. I WRITE TO URGE THE COUNCIL TO DISBAND THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE AS OF TODAY. SUPPORT THE FACT WE TOOK THE TIME TO UNDERSTAND THE HISTORY AND LEARN FROM THE PAST, THE PLAQUE AND ART PIECE ARE SUFFICIENT. THE PUSH FOR MORE RADICAL STEPS ARE ONLY DRIVEN BY OUTSIDERS WHO DON'T REALLY KNOW OUR COMMUNITY AND ADVANCED NUMEROUS CLAIMS ABOUT OUR CITY AS UNNECESSARILY DIVISIVE AND DOESN'T REFLECT THE WILL OF OUR RESIDENTS. -- NEITHER ACCURATE NOR CONSTRUCTIVE. SO THAT'S THE COMMENT THERE. I WANT TO CLOSE WITH THIS ONE. THESE EMAILS REFLECT RESIDENTS WITH BI RACIAL FAMILIES PAST 70 YEARS. THESE AREN'T NEW RESIDENTS. THE ONLY PERSON ON THIS COUNCIL PRESENT ON COUNCIL WHEN THE PARK WAS RENAMED IN 2007, I OFFER YOU A UNIOUE PERSPECTIVE. THE CITY WAS NOT SILENT IN 2007 WHEN THEY RENAMED THE PARK. AND INSTALLED THE PLAQUE EXPLAINING THE HORRIFYING AND PAINFUL RACIST HISTORY WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BRUCE FAMILY AND OTHERS. INCLUDING 25 WHITE FAMILIES ALSO REMOVED BY EMINENT DOMAIN. IT WAS THE LOWEST POINT IN OUR CITY HISTORY. AND I, ALONG WITH THOUSANDS OF OTHERS HAVE STATED IT WAS WRONG AND ACKNOWLEDGED IT AS SUCH. WE ELECTED AFRICAN AMERICAN MAYOR TWICE BUT NO ONE EVER MENTIONS THAT. WE WERE NOT SILENT IN 2017 WHEN WE UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED A STATEMENT AGAINST HATE. WE HAVE NOT REMAINED SILENT WHEN WE FORMED THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE LAST YEAR. OR HELD COMMUNITY WIDE EVENTS TO EDUCATE EVERYONE ON THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH. TO SAY WE HAVE BEEN SILENT IS NOT ONLY UNTRUTHFUL, IT'S INSULTING. 1-5 ON PAGE 203, I SUPPORT ITEMS 1-3. FOUR, I WILL OFFER ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE.

COUNCILMEMBERS ARE ELECTED AND REQUIRED IT BE OPEN MINDED AND LISTEN TO ALL POINTS OF VIEW AND OPINIONS. NOT NECESSARILY TO AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH ANY OF THEM. WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY TO BE INCLUSIVE AND DIVERSE. BUT BY NO MEANS ARE WE FINISHED. I REMIND EVERYONE WE ARE NOT THE SAME CITY NOR THE SAME PEOPLE OF 100 YEARS AGO. THESE ARE MY COMMENTS. NOTHING FURTHER.

>> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY. I APPRECIATE THAT AND APPRECIATE SPECIFICITY OF YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS. WE WILL GET BACK TO THAT. MAYOR'S PREROGATIVE, I WILL WRAP UP. I DO HAVE A STATEMENT. SETTLE IN, IT'S A FEW MINUTES BUT I WILL READ FAST. I LIKE MAYOR PRO TEM'S IDEA WE WILL GO THROUGH THE RECOMMENDATIONS ONE BY ONE AND THEN WE WILL GET ON OUR WAY. I BEG YOUR PATIENCE A FEW MINUTES LONGER. MOST OF US NOW UNDERSTAND THE SERIOUS WRONG ACTIONS WERE TAKEN BY THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH AGAINST TWO DOZEN MB FAMILIES IN THE 1920'S. SIGNIFICANTLY ABOUT HALF DOZEN OF THE AFFECTED FAMILIES WERE BLACK. I AGREE RACISM WAS THE PRIMARY REASON FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF MANHATTAN BEACH TO START EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THESE FAMILIES. THE STATED REASON WAS TO FORM A NEW PARK. THE REAL REASON WAS TO ENOUGH OUT A BURGEONING BLACK OWNED BUSINESS. 25 SOME FAMILIES LAND WAS SEIZED WHEN THE RECTANGLE PARK NOW KNOWN AS BRUCE'S BEACH. I BELIEVE THROWING IN A COUPLE DOZEN WHITE FAMILIES HELP SOME IN THE CITY FEEL BETTER ABOUT WHAT THEY WERE DOING. I'M SORRY PERSONALLY AND AS THE MAYOR WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN 1912 AND 1929. IT HURTS MY HEART. I THINK IT WAS RIGHT. I WOULD NOT ACT THAT WAY AND PRAY MY ADULT CHILDREN WOULD NOT AS WELL. AT THE END OF THE DAY THE RULE OF LAW IS ALL WE HAVE. IT SEPARATES US FROM DICTATORSHIP. BUT WE ALSO KNOW LAWS COULD BE WRONG. SEPARATE BUT EQUAL WAS LEGAL. OTHER LAWS FUGITIVE SLAVE ACT. JUST BECAUSE SOMETHING IS LEGAL DON'T MAKE IT RIGHT. IN THIS CASE OUR CITY COUNCIL BACK THEN DELIBERATED OVER MONTHS, DOCUMENTS WERE FILED, L.A. SUPERIOR COURT WAS USED. LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPLOYED AND MONEY CHANGED HAND FOR A THINLY VEILED SOCIAL ENGINEERING EFFORT. IT MAY HAVE BEEN LEGAL BUT IT DOESN'T PASS THE SMELL TEST TODAY. LEGALLY EVICTED OR NOT I WANT TO STATE THEIR NAMES FOR THE RECORD. ONE GOOD THING THAT CAME OUT OF SHOOTING OF BREONNA TAYLOR IS CHANT SAYING SAY HER NAME. WE NEED TO REMEMBER THEM BY THEIR NAMES. BILLY BRUCE. CHARLES BRUCE. MAJOR GEORGE CREOLO, ETHEL, ELIZABETH PATTERSON. MARY R STANDERS, MILTON JOHNSON AND ANNA JOHNSON. THE LAND OF A COUPLE DOZEN WHITE FAMILIES ALSO SEIZED FOR THE PARK THOUGH I BELIEVE NONE OF THE WHITE FAMILIES LIVED ON THE PROPERTY. HAD THAT NOT BEEN UNDERTAKEN, IT'S POSSIBLE TO SEND IN THE FAMILIES AND STILL LIVE IN MB TODAY. THEY MIGHT STILL OWN PROPERTY THAT WOULD BE WORTH CONSIDERABLY MORE THAN ITS VALUE IN 1929 AND THEY MIGHT HAVE ENDED UP HAVING ROADS AND SCHOOLS NAMED AFTER THEM. THE IMAGINATION SOARS OF WHAT MIGHT HAVE DONE. I'M SORRY NONE OF THAT TOOK PLACE AND I'M SORRY THIS TOWN REACHED A FORK IN THE ROAD AND

TOOK, IN MY OPINION THE WRONG FORK. OUR EARLY TOWN FATHERS TOOK A DIFFERENT PATH AND IT'S LED US TO THIS PLACE TODAY. MY HEART IS HEAVY ABOUT IT. I HAVE SPENT HOURS LISTENING TO REPORTS. READING AND ANSWERING EMAILS. THIS IS A STRESSFUL AND HUMBLING TIME TO BE MAYOR. SO WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? WHERE DOES MB GO? WHERE DOES THIS COUP SILL GO? WHERE DO RESIDENTS GO? I VOW TO GO MORE IN SORROW THAN ANGER. I KNOW GOD LOVES THE TRUTH. WISDOM IS THE BIBLE, YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE. I'M NOT AFRAID OF THE TRUTH. YOU NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND OWN AND ACCEPT IT TO DO BETTER. THE VALUE IS NOW OUR TOWN KNOWS THE TRUTH AS WELL. THAT'S THE BLESSING. ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD AND OUR TOWN 100 YEARS AGO CERTAINLY FELL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD. WHAT DO I WANT NOW? I WANT THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH TO BE PUT ON OUR CITY WEBSITE. I WANT THE FACTS OF WHAT HAPPENED TO BE TAUGHT IN OUR MB PUBLIC SCHOOLS. I WANT THE SIGNAGE UPDATED AT THE PARK TO LIST THE NAMES OF ALL THE EVICTED FAMILIES. I WANT OUR CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION TO WORK HARD TO BRING AN ART PIECE TO HONOR. I WANT TO KEEP BRUCE'S BEACH AS A PARK OPEN AND WELCOMING TO ALL. I WANT TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO DECIDE WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE LIFEGUARD STATION. I WANT TO SPEAK HONESTLY ABOUT THIS STAIN ON OUR HISTORY AND MOVE FORWARD MORE IN SORROW THAN ANGER, PLEDGING TO SAY NEVER AGAIN. SADLY THERE'S ONE MORE INCIDENT IN MB WHERE RACISM PLAYED A ROLE, THE LAND WHICH MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL SITS WAS OWNED BY THE UYEMATSU FAMILY. THEY WERE CRUELLY FORCED FROM THEIR LAND IN THE EARLY DAYS OF WORLD WAR II. FORCED TO LEAVE THREE YEARS INTERMENT CAMP BEHIND BARBED WIRE AND GUARDS. THEIR BUSINESS FAILED DURING THEIR INCARCERATION. BEFORE WORLD WAR II THE FAMILY OPENED 120 ACRES OF LAND IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THE LAST SEVERAL ACRES IN MB CARVED UP AND SOLD OFF PIECEMEAL. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF REDONDO BEACH BOUGHT THE LAND WHERE MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL AND WHERE OUR FOUR CHILDREN GRADUATED. AFTER THE INTERMENT CAMP, SOMEWHAT LIKE THE BRUCE'S THE FAMILY NEVER RETURNED. PERHAPS THE MEMORY WAS TOO PAINFUL. PERHAPS LIKE THE BRUCE'S THEY WERE COMPENSATED BUT I'M SURE THEY DIDN'T CONSIDER IT WAS ENOUGH. AND LIKE THE BRUCE'S, THEY WERE DEPRIVED OF GENERATIONAL WEALTH. IMAGINE WHAT 120 ACRES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REAL ESTATE WOULD BE WORTH TODAY 70 YEARS AFTER THE WAR. I SHARE THE STORY OF THE FAMILY NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN GRIEVANCE OLYMPICS BUT SHARE THESE STORIES ARE RIFE IN OUR COUNTY, STATE AND NATION. NATIVE AMERICAN NATIONS CONTINUE TO SUFFER GRIEVOUSLY FOR LAND TAKEN, WHOLE VILLAGES UPROOTED AND RELOCATED. AS A READER OF HISTORY, LITERATURE AND THE BIBLE I CONTINUE TO WEEP, WHAT MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN. I WANT TO GO FORTH AND PLEDGE TO BE BETTER THAN SOME OF THE DECISIONS MADE BY OUR MB FOREBEARERS. I PLEDGE TO DO THESE THINGS WHILE I'M ON CITY COUNCIL AND AFTER I LEAVE THIS DAIS. THERE'S STILL SO MUCH WORK TO BE DONE. MY LAST FEW SECTIONS I WISH TO SPEAK DIRECTLY TO A FEW

CONSTITUENTS HERE TONIGHT. TO THE MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE WHO HAVE NOT LABORED IN VAIN, I'M GRATEFUL FOR YOUR TIME DEDICATION AND EFFORT, I KNOW YOU INVESTED HOURS OF YOUR PERSONAL LIFE TO THE REPORT, RESEARCH, DISCUSSIONS AMONG YOURSELVES AND COMMUNITY ALL RESIDENTS OF MB AND YOU VOLUNTEERED IT SERVE. I WANT TO READ YOUR NAMES IN THE PUBLIC RECORD, I HOPE I PRONOUNCE THEM CORRECTLY AND I THANK YOU FOR SERVING. ALLISON HAYLES ANTHONY LEE, LINDSEY FOX, TAYLOR GAMBLE, AMANDA PARK, STEPHANIE C. KRISTEN LONGDREW, TYLER ST. BERNARD, LANA, KRISTI RAMIREZ NOELS, MICHAEL JENKINS, JARRETT, -- AND LAURA. THANK YOU FOR SERVING ON THE BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY LISTENING, WE HEAR YOU. THANK YOU FOR THE EMAILS AND DOZENS AND DOZENS OF PHONE CALLS. THANK YOU FOR CARING ABOUT YOUR CITY. THANK YOU FOR SPEAKING UP IN A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC NATION WHERE WE CAN SPEAK WITHOUT FEAR OF LANDING IN JAIL. WE ARE NOT A RACIST CITY. WE DON'T HAVE A RACIST POLICE FORCE. WE DON'T SEEK TO KEEP MB A WHITE CITY. WE DIDN'T DRIVE BLACK RESIDENTS OUT OF MB WE DON'T WISH TO TURN BACK THE CLOCK. -- YOU KNOW WHAT WE TRULY ARE. WE ARE A WELCOMING CITY OPEN TO ALL. WE ARE A DIVERSE CITY, PERHAPS NOT AS DIVERSE IN SOME WAYS BUT MANY MORE DIVERSE THAN SOME CITIES IN THIS COUNTRY. I DON'T THINK THEY ARE NECESSARILY RACIST EITHER. AS STEVE SAID FITTINGLY, I'M PARAPHRASING, MONEY IS THE BARRIER TO ENTRY TO MB TODAY. NOT RACE. AND THAT'S THE TRUTH. MONEY IS GREEN. IF YOU CAN AFFORD TO MOVE IN HERE, WELCOME ABOARD. WE WANT YOU HERE AND WE WANT YOUR VOICE AND HELP IN MAKING US BETTER EVERYDAY. EVEN IF YOU DON'T LIVE HERE, WE WELCOME YOU, WE WELCOME YOU ALL IN OUR BEACHES, PUBLIC SOUARES, PARKS AND HOTELS. PLEASE JOIN US AND HELP MAKE MB A BETTER PLACE. THANK YOU NOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS GREAT EXPERIMENT IN DEMOCRACY. WE HEARD YOU LOUD AND CLEAR. WE HEARD SO MANY IMPACTFUL PUBLIC COMMENTS TONIGHT. ALMOST ALL OF WHOM WERE FROM RESIDENTS. I DO NOT WANT AN APOLOGY AND I DON'T THINK YOU DO EITHER. WE DON'T WANT TO A COMMITTEE LOOKING OVER THE SHOULDERS OF OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE DON'T WANT TO IGNORE THE PAST BUT WE DON'T WANT IT EMBROIDERED IN A SCARLETT R. ON OUR CHEST. WE HAVE WORK TO DO BUT WILL DO IT TOGETHER. SOMETIMES UNCOMFORTABLY BUT WE WILL GET THERE. THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR FABRIC, THANK YOU FOR TUNING IN THIS EVENING. TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA THERE ARE RIVETING STORIES FROM MB HISTORY THAT STILL NEED TO BE TOLD. THAT'S YOUR WHEELHOUSE. PLEASE LOOK FOR THOSE, READ THEM AND SHARE THEM. I LOVE BOOKS THAT FOCUS ON THE HISTORY OF THE LAST CENTURY. UNBROKEN. LOCAL TORRANCE HERO. DEVIL IN THE WHITE CITY. BAD BLOOD BY COLUMNIST JOHN KAREU. -- THESE STORIES ARE RIVETING, HEARTBREAKING AND INSPIRING AND EDUCATIONAL. THEY SHOW HUGE MISTAKES WE MADE AS AMERICANS AND SHOW HOW GOOD THINGS CAN COME OUT OF HORRIBLE SITUATIONS. THEY SHOW THE HUMAN CONDITION WILL NEVER BE MADE PERFECT IN THIS LIFETIME AND ON THIS FLAWED EARTH. BUT WE CAN AND WE MUST LEARN FROM OUR PAST. WE CAN AND MUST STRIVE TO NOT

REPEAT MISTAKES. IT'S HARD NOT TO LEARN FROM THEM. I URGE YOU AND THE MEDIA TO HELP TELL OUR STORIES ACCURATELY AND BRING THEM TO THIS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. NOT TO BLAME AND SHAME AND TAKE. BUT ENLIGHTEN AND ENLIVEN AND ALLOW US TO REMEMBER HISTORICAL FIGURES AS INTERESTING, DARING, FLAWED HUMAN BEINGS. WE ARE TOO. WE ARE FLAWED, BUT WE ARE TRYING. LASTLY, TO MY COLLEAGUES AND TWO CO-CHAIRS, STEVE AND HILDY. I KNOW YOU ARE GETTING IT FROM ALL SIDES. I DID WISH THE TASK FORCE WAS KEPT ON TASK FROM THE START. NEVERTHELESS WE STRIVE TO FORM A MORE PERFECT UNION. MUCH GOOD HAS COME OUT OF THE TASK FORCE. MANY FRUITFUL DISCUSSIONS. ACCURATE RESEARCHED DOCUMENTED HISTORY IS WORTH THE EFFORTS OF THE TASK FORCE ALONE. MORE TO COME WITH NEW AND MORE ACCURATE SIGNAGE AND FUTURE ART PIECE TO HONOR AND TELL THE STORY IN A DIFFERENT HUMAN WAY. THESE ARE ALL VERY GOOD THINGS. DO I WISH WE COULD GO BACK IN TIME AND DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY? ABSOLUTELY. BUT I KNOW YOU CARE IN YOUR OWN WAY, I DON'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH YOU AND YOU DON'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH ME, BUT I KNOW YOU CARE AND THAT COUNTS FOR A LOT. I WANT TO END WITH A FEW EDITED STANZAS FROM THE NATION'S POET LAUREATE, AMANDA -- WE WILL NOT BE TURNED AROUND OR INTERRUPTED BY INTIMIDATION BECAUSE WE KNOW OUR ACTION AND INERTIA WILL BE THE INHERITANCE OF THE NEXT GENERATION. OUR BLUNDERS BECOME THEIR BURDENS. BUT ONE THING IS CERTAIN, IF WE MERGE MERCY WITH MIGHT AND MIGHT WITH RIGHT, THEN LOVE BECOMES OUR LEGACY AND CHANGE OUR CHILDREN'S BIRTHRIGHT. LET US LEAVE BEHIND A COUNTRY BETTER THAN THE ONE WE WERE LEFT WITH. EVERY BREATH FROM MY BRONZE POUNDED CHEST WE WILL RAISE THIS WOUNDED WORLD IN A WONDROUS ONE. WE WILL RECONCILE AND RECOVER, EVERY NOOK OF OUR NATION, PEOPLE DIVERSE WILL EMERGE, BATTERED AND BEAUTIFUL. NEW DAWN BLOOMS AS WE FREE IT FOR THIS ONLY LIGHT. IF ONLY WE WERE BRAVE ENOUGH TO SEE IT. IF ONLY WE WERE BRAVE ENOUGH TO BE IT. THANK YOU, MAY GOD BLESS THE DELIBERATIONS OF THIS BODY AND CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND IT'S RESIDENTS. SO, MANY PRO TEM STERN, I'M IN FAVOR OF YOUR PROPOSAL GOING TO PAGE 203 OF OUR PACKETS. AND WE GO THROUGH THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS ONE BY ONE. WHAT DO MY OTHER COLLEAGUES THINK? JOE, RICHARD, STEVE? ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THAT?

- >> R. Montgomery: LET'S GO.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, PAGE 203. ROMAN NUMERAL VI, TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS, 1.1. SUPPORT THE CREATION THROUGH THE ARTS COMMISSION OF ART WORK MEMORIALIZING BRUCE'S BEACH.
- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> R. Montgomery: YES.
- >> I WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS IT. I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK. APPENDIX 3 HAS A LOT OF INFORMATION IN IT. MAYBE, SO IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING. I WILL GO TO THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION. NOW DO THEY HAVE, THESE ARE JUST RECOMMENDATIONS BY APPENDIX 3 BY THE TASK FORCE.
- >> S. Napolitano: THERE'S AN A.P.C. ART IN PUBLIC PLACE COMMITTEE

PUT TOGETHER FOR THAT, THAT INCLUDES, I BELIEVE, FOUR CURRENT -- I SEE IT. I WILL SHUT UP AND LET ALLIE DESCRIBE IT.

- >> YOU ARE DOING A GREAT JOB. SO YES. THE STAFF WILL BE FORMING ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE. AND THERE WERE FOUR INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE SELECTED FROM THE TASK FORCE TO SERVE ON THAT COMMITTEE. AND IT WOULD, OF COURSE, BE A COMBINATION OF THOSE TASK FORCE MEMBERS, REPRESENTATIVES FROM CITY COUNCIL, AND THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION, IF NEEDED. AND APPENDIX 3, JUST BEAR WITH ME, I WILL PULL IT UP. APPENDIX 3 IS THE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE. OF COURSE, IN THE ARTS. SO WE WERE ASKED, WE ACTUALLY ASKED THE TASK FORCE MEMBERS KIND OF WHAT WERE THEIR MUST- HAVE'S. SO THIS WAS SOME OF WHAT THEY CAME UP WITH. SO ALL OF THESE WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION AND THE APCC AND A RECOMMENDATION COULD BE BROUGHT BACK TO CITY COUNCIL.
- >> S. Napolitano: THEY AREN'T MUST-HAVE'S. THEY ARE RECOMMENDATIONS THEY WOULD LIKE THE ARTISTS TO CONSIDER. I MEAN, IT'S -- IMPOSSIBLE TO SATISFY EVERYTHING ON HERE. BUT JUST THINGS WE WANT THE ARTIST TO CONSIDER.
- >> RIGHT. SO THEY DIDN'T WANT TO LIMIT THE CREATIVITY, SO THEY JUST KIND OF PUT IN SOME IDEAS THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN IT. BUT OF COURSE, IT WOULD BE DUE, SUBJECT TO PRACTICAL ISSUES AND ISSUES OF FUNDING, OF COURSE. AND CONSIDERATION BY THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION.
- >> S. Napolitano: RIGHT. THAT WILL DRIVE A LOT OF THIS.
- >> R. Montgomery: COUNCIL WILL SEE THIS AGAIN. LET THE CULTURAL ARTS SEE IT, BRING IT BACK TO COUNCIL. THAT'S NOT TO DECIDE TONIGHT WHAT KIND OF ART. GET THEM STARTED, BRING IT BACK TO COUNCIL, WE CAN ALL SEE IT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: STEVE?
- >> S. Napolitano: AT SOME POINT THOUGH WE WILL HAVE TO ATTACH A DOLLAR AMOUNT SO FOLKS KNOW WHAT WE ARE ADVERTISING. EITHER DO IT TONIGHT OR IT COMES BACK FOR A DOLLAR AMOUNT. YOU CAN'T START THIS PROCESS WITHOUT ASSIGNING A BUDGET TO IT. THAT'S WHAT, THE SCOPE OF THE WORK, THE SIZE OF THE WORK, THE TYPE OF ARTISTS THAT COMPETE FOR IT. THE R.F.Q., OR R.F.P. THAT HAS TO GO OUT. IT NEEDS A BUDGET.
- >> R. Montgomery: WE DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF ART IT WILL BE. IS IT MOVING ART, INTERACTIVE, STATIONARY, MORE THAN ONE PIECE?
- >> S. Napolitano: IT'S UP TO THE ARTIST. LIKE EVERYTHING WE DO WITH ARTS, WE SET ASIDE A BUDGET FOR THE MURAL PROJECT. AND WE WORKED UNDER THAT BUDGET. WE HAD A BUDGET FOR THE CITY HALL AS WAS POINTED OUT. THAT WAS ADVERTISED AS THE BUDGET SO THEY CAN CHOOSE MATERIALS AND THINGS LIKE THAT AND SEE WHAT THEIR PAY WOULD BE AS WELL.
- >> R. Montgomery: AS OUR ARTISTS, WHAT DO YOU SUGGEST?
- >> S. Napolitano: IN TERMS OF AMOUNT?
- >> R. Montgomery: IF YOU WANT A BUDGET TO LOOK AT NOW, NOT TO EXCEED NUMBER, WHAT NUMBER ARE YOU LOOKING AT?

- >> S. Napolitano: I WOULD SAY AT LEAST \$350,000. AND THIS IS AGAIN FOR THE FOLKS WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE COSTS. THESE ARE RESTRICTED FUNDS. IT WOULD COME FROM THE ARTS FUNDING.
- >> Mayor Hadley: PUBLIC ART TRUST FUND.
- >> S. Napolitano: THAT COULD ONLY BE USED FOR ART. AND IS RAISED THROUGH DEVELOPMENT FEES. THESE AREN'T TAXES THAT COULD BE USED FOR OTHER THINGS.
- >> AND WE HAVE WELL OVER A MILLION DOLLAR BALANCE, AS I RECALL FROM ANOTHER PROJECT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: DO WE AMOUNT DUE TO EXPIRE IN THAT FUND AND WHEN THAT WAS EXPIRING?
- >> S. Napolitano: I THINK IT'S AT LEAST A YEAR AWAY. DO WE HAVE AYLIN? >> AYLIN IS ON THE CALL.
- >> S. Napolitano: I THINK IT'S FAR IN THE DISTANCE. WE JUST WENT OVER THIS A LITTLE WHILE AGO, I BELIEVE.
- >> I DIDN'T REMEMBER IT WAS TOO FAR. I'M JUST WONDERING, BECAUSE THAT COULD BE --
- >> S. Napolitano: I THINK IT'S PRETTY FAR. PLUS WE ARE GETTING AN EXTRA MILLION FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT.
- >> R. Montgomery: I WILL MAKE THE MOTION NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000.
- >> Mayor Hadley: HOLD ON. I JUST WANT TO GO BACK TO THE ISSUES JOE RAISED. ALLIE SAID A PHRASE CALLED "MUST-HAVE'S" THAT ISN'T BINDING TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE, THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES SUBCOMMITTEE. OR THE CULTURAL ARTS?
- >> NOT AT ALL. THESE ARE JUST RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION SO, YOU KNOW, THEY ARE IDEAS AND THINGS THAT WERE SOLICITED. HOWEVER, YOU KNOW, A NUMBER OF THESE MAY BE IMPOSSIBLE, OR MAY NOT HAVE AN APPROPRIATE ARTIST THAT COULD DO THAT. SO ALL OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO BOTH THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION WEIGHING IN. THE APPC AND FINALLY THE CITY COUNCIL.
- >> S. Napolitano: IF YOU LOOK AT SECTION THREE, APPENDIX THREE, LANGUAGE SAYS WITH CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO THE FOLLOWING IDEAS GENERATED FROM BRAINSTORMING BY THE TASK FORCE AND COMMUNITY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, YEAH. I JUST THINK WE DON'T WANT TO BIND THE HANDS OF THE ART OR CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION, WHICH IS A REAL COMMISSION IN ITS OWN RIGHT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GO AHEAD, ALLIE.
- >> TO ANSWER THE QUESTION ABOUT THE AVAILABLE FUNDS, THE CURRENT BALANCE IS APPROXIMATELY \$2.1 MILLION, WITH APPROXIMATELY \$755,000 ALLOCATED TO PROJECTS.
- >> R. Montgomery: THE QUESTION, WHEN IS THE NEXT TO BE SPENT BY?
- >> I COULD ANSWER THAT, IF THAT HELPS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GO AHEAD, AYLIN.
- >> THANKS. WE DON'T CURRENTLY HAVE ANYTHING EXPIRING UNTIL 2023 AT

THE EARLIEST RIGHT NOW. WHEN WE SAY EXPIRING, THE FUNDS DON'T ACTUALLY HAVE TO BE PHYSICALLY SPENT BY THAT TIME. THEY JUST HAVE TO BE ALLOCATED TO A PROJECT. AS SOON AS THEY ARE TIED TO A PROJECT, THAT RESERVES THOSE FUNDS.

- >> R. Montgomery: GOT IT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: TERRIFIC. THANK YOU SO MUCH. ALLIE MAY I HAVE CONFIRMATION THERE ARE FOUR TASK FORCE MEMBERS WHO WILL MOVE TO THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES SUBCOMMITTEE, IS THAT CORRECT? AMANDA PARK, TAYLOR CAMPBELL, KRISTI RAMIREZ KNOWLES. AND ANTHONY LEE.
- >> YES.
- >> I DON'T HAVE MY LIST IN FRONT OF ME, BUT IF YOU GIVE ME A COUPLE MINUTES, I CAN PULL IT RIGHT UP. NOT A COUPLE MINUTES HOPEFULLY. JUST A COUPLE SECONDS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: STEVE, YOU AND I ARE ON THE ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE.
- >> S. Napolitano: THEY ARE DIFFERENT FOR EACH ONE. I DON'T KNOW WHO THE COUNCIL REPS ARE FOR EACH ONE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THERE'S DIFFERENT.
- >> S. Napolitano: OR MAYBE FOR THIS ONE TOO, I DON'T KNOW.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THESE FOUR TASK FORCE MEMBERS THEN WOULD BE CONTINUING ON FOR THIS ART PIECE? IS THE PLAN? CORRECT?
- >> S. Napolitano: YEAH, THAT'S HOW THE APPC --
- >> THIS IS WHAT THEY WILL BE FOCUSED ON.
- >> R. Montgomery: NEED A MOTION HERE?
- >> I'M GOING TO MOVE TO APPROVE THE 1.1 --
- >> R. Montgomery: SECOND.
- >> AS RECOGNIZED IN APPENDIX NUMBER --
- >> R. Montgomery: SECOND WITH THE OVERSIGHT FROM COUNCIL WHICH WILL HAPPEN ANYWAY.
- >> AND NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000?
- >> Mayor Hadley: RICHARD, DID YOU WANT TO PUT-
- >> R. Montgomery: YES. WITH THE CAP AT \$350,000.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I WOULD LIKE TO LIST THOSE FOUR TASK FORCE MEMBERS AS WELL. AND JUST CODIFY THAT. IF, ALLIE, YOU CONFIRMED THAT.
- >> YES, I HAVE IT IN FRONT OF ME. INITIALLY LANA RUZIKA WAS SELECTED BY THE STAFF. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING SHE STEPPED AWAY TO MAKE ROOM FOR ANTHONY LEE. TO BE A MEMBER. SO IT WOULD BE ANTHONY LEE, AMANDA PARK, TAYLOR GAMBLE AND KRISTI RAMIREZ NOELS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: TERRIFIC. WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? QUESTIONS? JOE?
- >> I JUST WANT TO HEAR THE MOTION RESTATED, PLEASE.
- >> MOVE TO APPROVE TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION 1.1 INCORPORATED BY APPENDIX 3. WITH THE AMENDED DOLLAR AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000.
- >> R. Montgomery: AGREE, SECOND.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, ROLL CALL VOTE, PLEASE.

- >> SORRY, MADAM MAYOR. I CAN DO IT.
- >> I'M SORRY, I COULDN'T UNMUTE. COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> YES. COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?
- >> YES.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> YES. MAYOR HADLEY?
- >> YES.
- >> MOTION PASSES 5-0.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. WE WILL MOVE ONTO 1.2. CONCUR WITH THE PROCESS SET FORTH IN APPENDIX FOUR FOR NEW PLAQUE IN BRUCE'S BEACH AND ALLOW FUNDING TO ALLOW INSTALLATION BY DECEMBER 31, 2021. COUNCIL DISCUSSION? ALLIE, MAY I HAVE CONFIRMATION OF THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE WAS DISCUSSED, CO-CHAIRS. THAT'S CORRECT? LINDSEY FOX, KRISTEN LONGDREW, TYLER ST. BERNARD AND PERHAPS ALLISON HAYLES OF THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE. I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT WORKING ON THE SIGNAGE. THAT'S WHAT I WOULD LIKE. HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DID AN AMAZING JOB AND I THINK THE PLAQUE FUNNELS DOWN FROM THE HISTORY. I WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THAT GROUP TOGETHER AND FINISH THE SIGNAGE. AND I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE IT FINISHED BY DECEMBER 31, 2021.
- >> WHAT IF THE PLAQUE WILL BE INCORPORATED WITH THE ART PIECE. WOULDN'T IT WAIT?
- >> Mayor Hadley: TWO DIFFERENT THINGS. PLAQUE IS FACTUAL AND THE ART PIECE IS PERHAPS EMOTIONAL. YES, RICHARD?
- >> R. Montgomery: ALSO BEING FROM TEXAS, WE ACTUALLY HAVE A PLAQUE AT THE ALAMO, NOT TWO BLOCKS AWAY. HISTORICALLY ACCURATE, THE PLAQUE SHOULD BE WHERE BRUCE'S BEACH ACTUALLY IS. NOT AT THE PARK.
- >> OKAY, ALL RIGHT. SO IN THAT LITTLE GARDEN, WHAT'S A GARDEN AREA ON THE WEST LAWN OF THE LIFEGUARD STATION?
- >> R. Montgomery: THAT'S MY SUGGESTION. UNLESS I COULD ASK FOR TWO. YOU WANT TO BE HISTORICALLY ACCURATE, I THINK THIS TASK FORCE WANTS TO BE. THE PLAQUE SHOULD BE WHERE THE EVENT TOOK PLACE, NOT TWO BLOCKS AWAY.
- >> GET A LOT OF TRAFFIC TOO.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, RICHARD. AND STEVE?
- >> S. Napolitano: I WOULD SUGGEST EVEN THE POSSIBILITY OF TWO PLAQUES. I THINK AS WAS SAID EARLIER, THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT THE BRUCE'S. THEY ARE NOT THE ONLY ONES WHO LOST THEIR LAND FOR RACIALLY- MOTIVATED REASONS AND A CONDEMNATION. THE OTHER FAMILIES LIVED AROUND THERE. EITHER WHERE THE PARK IS NOW, OR SURROUNDING IT. I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HAVE A PLAQUE THAT RECOGNIZES MAYBE A BROADER SENSE THERE AND THEN A SPECIFIC PLAQUE AS TO IDENTIFYING WHERE BRUCE'S BEACH LODGE WAS, WHERE THE LIFEGUARD STATION HEADQUARTERS IS NOW AS WELL.

- BUT I THINK THERE SHOULD BE SOMETHING IN THE PARK AS WELL. BECAUSE THERE WERE SEVERAL OF THE OTHER FAMILIES WHO HAD THEIR PROPERTY CONDEMNED. INCLUDING THE WHITE FAMILIES WHO HAD THEIR PROPERTY CONDEMNED. THOSE WERE ALL MADE UP OF WHERE THE PARK IS NOW. WHAT'S TWO PLAQUES?
- >> Mayor Hadley: I'M GOOD WITH TWO PLAQUES. DO WE NEED A DOLLAR AMOUNT? ALSO, I DO WANT COUNCIL TO GET ANOTHER, I DO WANT COUNCIL TO IMPROVE THE WORDING OF BOTH PLAQUES
- >> R. Montgomery: ABSOLUTELY.
- >> S. Napolitano: I WOULD JUST HAVE STAFF, THERE ARE RESOURCES FOR DISPLAY TYPES. I WOULD LET PARKS AND REC STAFF LOOK AT THAT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THE TWO DIFFERENT ONES, AS WELL? BECAUSE I'VE HEARD THE BIG ONE REFERRED TO AS A MONUMENT OR TOMB. PEOPLE DON'T LIKE THE FORM OF THAT.
- >> S. Napolitano: THEY DON'T HAVE THAT TYPE OF THING ANY MORE. IT'S MORE VISUAL NOW TOO.
- >> Mayor Hadley: MAYOR PRO TEM, DID YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: I'M A LITTLE BIT CONFUSED ABOUT BOTH PLAQUES. ARE WE TALKING ABOUT A PLAQUE DOWN WHAT IS THE PROPERTY OF THE COUNTY?
- >> S. Napolitano: YEAH, WE WOULD HAVE TO ASK FOR PERMISSION FOR THAT.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: RIGHT. OKAY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I LIKE RICHARD'S IDEA SOMETHING AT THE ACTUAL SITE TO COMMEMORATE THE BUSINESS. I'M SO IMPRESSED WITH WILLY BRUCE, I USED TO CALL HER WILLA BUT SUBCOMMITTEE CALLS HER WILLY. SHE IS A BEAST FEMALE ENTREPRENEUR. SHE WAS RUNNING THAT BUSINESS ALONE WHILE HER HUSBAND WAS WORKING ON THE RAILROADS. I DO LIKE THE IDEA OF SOMETHING AS RICHARD MONTGOMERY PROPOSED AT THE SITE OF THE BUSINESS TALKING ABOUT BRUCE'S BUSINESS. AND SOMETHING AT THE PARK PERHAPS COMMEMORATING ALL THE FAMILIES WRONGFULLY EVICTED BY EMINENT DOMAIN. >> R. Montgomery: I WILL MAKE THAT MOTION, YOUR HONOR. IF NO ONE ELSE WILL MAKE IT, WE HISTORICALLY ACCURATELY PLACE A PLAQUE AT THE LOCATION AND A SECONDARY PLAQUE AT THE PARK. I'M NOT SURE OF ANY DOLLAR AMOUNT. I'M NOT SURE WHAT A PLAQUE COSTS THESE DAYS. LET THE COMMITTEE WORKING ON THIS, LET THEM FINISH IT AND BRING IT BACK FOR APPROVAL ON VERBIAGE ON BOTH.
- >> Mayor Hadley: CAN WE PUT A TIME LINE THEM BRINGING IT BACK. STEVE AND HILDY, A MONTH TO BRING THE VERBIAGE BACK?
- >> S. Napolitano: LET'S LOOK AT THE ACTUAL REQUEST OR RECOMMENDATION IN APPENDIX 4. IT ALSO INCLUDES AUTHORIZATION UP TO \$1,000 FOR A CONSULTANT TO HELP VERIFY THE HISTORY OF THE LANGUAGE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I'M NOT IN FAVOR OF A CONSULTANT.
- >> S. Napolitano: WE NEED TO ADDRESS THAT THOUGH.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YEAH.
- >> J. Franklin: AND THEN THERE'S SOMETHING IN THERE ABOUT CONSENSUS FROM THE TASK FORCE. DOES THAT MEAN THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE?

- >> S. Napolitano: NO, THAT MEANS THE TASK FORCE AS A WHOLE.
- >> J. Franklin: SO THEY HAVE TO COME BACK? THE TASK FORCE, OR JUST THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE THAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR --
- >> S. Napolitano: WELL, AS WHAT WAS DONE AS A SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD DO THE WORK AND THEN BRING IT BACK BEFORE SENDING IT ONTO COUNCIL.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I WOULD PROPOSE THE SUBCOMMITTEE COULD BRING IT BACK TO COUNCIL. I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THAT IN THE MONTH. THE HARD WORK OF THE HISTORY IS DONE. DISTILL IT DOWN WITH FIVE PEOPLE, AYLA, LINDSEY, KRISTEN, TYLER AND ALLISON.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: YOUR HONOR?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: I HAVE A COUPLE CONCERNS ABOUT A MONTH. FIRST, THERE IS THIS WORKING WITH THE COUNTY TO HAVE THE SECOND ONE DONE. WHICH MIGHT TAKE A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME. ALSO WORKING WITH PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT TO WORK THROUGH THE POSSIBILITIES. I'M WONDERING. I DON'T WANT TO PUT TOO MUCH OF A CONSTRAINT ON THE SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WELL THE SUBCOMMITTEE ISN'T GOING TO COME UP WITH THE STRUCTURE, THAT WILL BE STAFF. SUBCOMMITTEE COMES UP WITH THE WORDING AND THEN THE COUNTY HAS PERMISSION TO INSTALL IT BUT THE COUNTY ISN'T GIVING PERMISSION. I MEAN WE WILL WRITE IT AND PRESENT IT TO THEM. BUT I THINK THE PERMISSION TO INSTALL IT IS WAY DOWN THE LINE.
- >> J. Franklin: WE ALSO NEED THE WORDING TO GET AN IDEA OF THE SIZE, RIGHT?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: RIGHT.
- >> J. Franklin: ALL THOSE OTHER THINGS CAN COME AFTER.
- >> R. Montgomery: YOUR HONOR?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, RICHARD.
- >> R. Montgomery: BOTH SUBCOMMITTEE, STEVE AND MAYOR PRO TEM STERN BELIEVE THIS GROUP, THEY HAVE DONE ALL THE LEG WORK ALREADY, IF THEY CAN BRING US BACK THE VERBIAGE ON BOTH THE MAIN PLAQUE AND THE SECONDARY PLAQUE IN 30 DAYS, MANY PRO TEM'S POINT, ONCE WE KNOW A, THE SIZE OF THE PLAQUE, THEN BEACH AND HARBORS OF THE COUNTY AND SAY HEY LOOK, WANT YOUR PERMISSION TO PUT THIS SIZE PLAQUE AT THIS LOCATION. THAT WON'T SLOW DOWN PRODUCTION. IT'S A MATTER OF WHERE IT WILL BE WITH THEIR APPROVAL. THE FIRST THING IS VERBIAGE. WE WILL BE THERE. IS 30 DAYS UNREASONABLE?
- >> NO, OKAY.
- >> J. Franklin: I MEAN, HAVEN'T THEY BEEN WORKING ON IT?
- >> S. Napolitano: LET'S JUST SAY 30 DAYS AND IF THEY NEED MORE TIME, GIVE THEM MORE TIME.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, GOOD.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: THAT'S FINE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, WE WILL GIVE THEM 30 DAYS. BUT IT'S THE SUBCOMMITTEE, CORRECT? I THINK IT WILL MOVE FASTER IF WE HAVE FIVE

PEOPLE FROM THE SUBCOMMITTEE.

- >> S. Napolitano: WHATEVER THE MOTION IS. WHAT IS THE MOTION?
 >> Mayor Hadley: I WILL MOVE THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE THAT WROTE THE EXCELLENT HISTORY IN THE WHOLE SUBSTANCE OF OUR MEETING TONIGHT.
 [NAMING MEMBERS] I THINK ALLISON HAYLES IS ON THAT COMMITTEE AND FORGIVE ME IF I DON'T KNOW. THEY HAVE 30 DAYS TO BRING BACK SUGGESTED VERBIAGE FOR SOMETHING FOR THE PARK AND SOMETHING FOR THE BRUCE'S BEACH SITE. AND THEY BRING IT BACK TO COUNCIL IN 30 DAYS. STAFF AT THAT POINT WILL LOOK AT MONUMENTS, MARKERS, AND INSTALLATION.
- >> J. Franklin: TWO MONUMENTS?
- >> Mayor Hadley: TWO PLAQUES.
- >> ONE POINT OF CLARIFICATION WITH YOUR MOTION, MAYOR HADLEY, WILL THAT INCLUDE EVERYTHING THAT IS IN ROMAN NUMERAL I, APPENDIX 4?
- >> Mayor Hadley: WELL, COUNCIL WILL GET FINAL SAY.
- >> S. Napolitano: YOU ARE ASKING THEM TO WRITE IT. SO, YOU KNOW, AS YOU HAVE SAID, THEY HAVE DONE THE WORK. SO THEY WILL PICK AND CHOOSE WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO INCLUDE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YEAH.
- >> J. Franklin: OKAY, BUT HISTORY IS HISTORY. THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE THE COMMITMENT OF THE CITY TO A PATH OF ANTI-RACISM.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THAT'S TRUE. THAT IS MORE FORWARD-LOOKING. THAT IS TRUE. SO YEAH, I WOULD LIKE TO FOCUS ON THE HISTORY, JUST LIKE AT THE ALAMO, I'M NOT SURE THE ALAMO TALKS ABOUT THE HISTORY OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS IN THE 20th CENTURY. RICHARD, YOU CAN TELL ME IF I'M WRONG.
- >> R. Montgomery: NO, IT DOES NOT. IT'S STRICTLY HISTORICAL.
- >> S. Napolitano: THAT WAS A TEST.
- >> Mayor Hadley: IT JUST SHOULD BE HISTORICAL. SO I MOVED HISTORY ONLY. THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE 30 DAYS, BRING IT TO COUNCIL.
- >> IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU ARE NOT AUTHORIZING \$1,000 FOR A CONSULTANT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: AND NO CONSULTANT. CORRECT.
- >> R. Montgomery: LOOKING FOR A SECOND?
- >> J. Franklin: I WILL SECOND.
- >> S. Napolitano: I THOUGHT HE DID.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I MIGHT HAVE MISSED IT, I WAS LOOKING DOWN. DISCUSSION, VOTE? LIZA, WE ARE READY.
- >> OKAY, COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?
- >> R. Montgomery: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?
- >> J. Franklin: YES.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: YES.

- >> MAYOR HADLEY?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> MOTION PASSES 5-0.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, IT'S 11:15 WE ARE DOING WELL. 1.3. [READING ITEM] I MARKED THIS UP SO MUCH, SORRY. SHARE THE CONTINUED WORK PRODUCT OF THE TASK FORCE, ANNOUNCE UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS AND PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER COMMUNITY EFFORTS TO COMBAT RACIAL INJUSTICE.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: I MOVE TO APPROVE 1.3.
- >> J. Franklin: I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS IT, IF I MAY. I UNDERSTAND HOW THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE MAY BE MODIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME, BY WHOM. I THINK WE SHOULD CLARIFY BY WHOM. IS IT STAFF ONLY? HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE BRINGING STUFF TO STAFF? SHARE THE CONTINUED WORK PRODUCT OF THE TASK FORCE? IS THE TASK FORCE EVEN GOING TO BE CONTINUED? AS IT IS TODAY?
- >> R. Montgomery: MAYBE IT MEANS THE SUBCOMMITTEE, JOE. THE ART SUBCOMMITTEE AND PLAQUE SUBCOMMITTEE. HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE. NOT THE ENTIRE TASK FORCE. JUST SUBCOMMITTEES.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE SHOULD CHANGE IT AND NOT SAY TASK FORCE THEN.
- >> R. Montgomery: YEAH.

ANSWER FIRST.

- >> Mayor Hadley: WELL, JOE, YOU WANT TO MAKE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION?
- >> J. Franklin: LET ME JUST SEE. I'M LOOKING AT PROVIDE INFORMATION CITY EFFORTS TO COMBAT RACIAL INJUSTICE. I MEAN WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
- >> Mayor Hadley: DOES HILDY'S MOTION HAVE A SECOND?
- >> S. Napolitano: OBVIOUSLY, IT NEEDS TO BE MODIFIED IF WE AREN'T GOING TO SEND ANYTHING BACK TO THE TASK FORCE. WE CAN'T SECOND SOMETHING THAT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. SOMEONE NEEDS TO EDIT THIS. >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: MAYBE THAT BEGS THE QUESTION, WHETHER WE ARE CONTINUING WITH THE TASK FORCE. MAYBE THAT'S THE EASIER QUESTION TO
- >> J. Franklin: WELL, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE SOME ELEMENTS, RIGHT? THAT WE WILL BE USING. THAT WE WILL BE ASKING FOR HELP. BUT I THINK IF WE JUST SPECIFY WHERE WE ARE GOING TO USE THEM. BUT THE OVERALL TASK FORCE? I MEAN.
- >> Mayor Hadley: Well, I will move, I would authorize the continuation of the Bruce's beach web page on the city website to host the current history subcommittee document, period. Obviously, there are a couple records in there, as place holders that we are looking for documentation from the hall of records. I would prefer to leave out modified from time to time. That's my motion. The first sentence with a period after document and specifying it would be on the city website. Which I think is great. I have sent so many people to the bruce's beach tab on the city website. And I think it will help build traffic to our website. It will help be accurate and part of our parks and rec and part of our mapping.

- >> S. Napolitano: I THINK ONE OF THE ISSUES, THOUGH, IS THERE CONTINUES TO BE HISTORY, NOT JUST DISCOVERED BUT ACTUALLY PURPOSELY, WELL NOT PURPOSELY, UNINTENTIONALLY UNSUCCESSFUL BECAUSE THE HALL OF RECORDS, THEY SAID DURING THE HISTORY FORUM, SHE HAS BEEN TRYING TO GET ACCESS TO THE COUNTY HALL OF RECORDS TO GET, FOR INSTANCE, THE COURT DOCUMENTS THAT ONE OF THE SPEAKERS ELUDED TO EARLIER AND EVERYTHING. BUT THERE WAS A FLOOD. SO SHE HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET IN THERE. NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO GET IN THERE. BUT SHE WANTS TO. THE QUESTION IS WHETHER YOU WANT TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE TO CONTINUE ON THEIR WORK AS CAN BE DONE. I ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT GARY McCULLOUGH, THE PRESIDENT OF OUR HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS SENT IN A COUPLE DIFFERENT EMAILS OF HISTORIC RELEVANCE. OUESTIONING SOME OF THE FINDINGS. ADDRESSING SOME OF THE THINGS THAT MIGHT BE WEAKER OR STRONGER. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I THINK THOSE THINGS SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE AS WELL AND BE VETTED OUT. THAT'S WHY THAT MONTH TO ADDRESS THE HISTORY OR MAKING OF THE PLAQUES, WORDING OF THE PLAQUES MIGHT NOT BELONG ENOUGH. BECAUSE THERE STILL IS SOME ISSUES OUT THERE WITH THE HISTORY. I DON'T WANT OUR PRESIDENT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY WHO IS VERY THOROUGH IN HIS RESEARCH AND HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE WHO IS THOROUGH IN THEIR RESEARCH, TO BE ADD ODDS. THEY NEED TIME TO LOOK AT EACH OTHER'S WORK AND COME TO A CONSENSUS ON SOME OF THESE ISSUES.
- >> R. Montgomery: YOUR HONOR, WE ALSO NEED TO REPHRASE THE MOTION ON 1.3. I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU CUT OFF AND WHAT YOU KEPT IN.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I PUT A PERIOD AFTER SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT. HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT. AND I ELIMINATED THE REST. I MADE THIS ABOUT THE BRUCE'S BEACH WEB PAGE AS A HOST FOR THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT ONLY. JUST SO WE COULD TIE THAT OFF. I THINK THAT'S JUST A CRITICAL PIECE. THE HISTORY IS A AMAZING AND DOCUMENTED AND I WANT IT ON THE WEBSITE TOMORROW. EVEN WITH THE PLACE HOLDERS. I GET THE RECORDS MISSING FROM STEVE, THAT'S A GREAT POINT. BUT WE CAN DECLARE THAT FINISHED.
- >> S. Napolitano: WHAT WE HAVE NOW IS ON THE WEBSITE AND COULD CONTINUE, IT JUST NEEDS TO BE NOTED. IT ALSO MEANS THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE NEEDS IT BE CONTINUED TO DO THEIR WORK. YOU CAN PUT A SUNSET ON THAT IF YOU WANT. BUT THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO ACCESS THE HALL OF RECORDS. GARY HAS INFORMATION THAT WE NEED TO COLLATE. AND SO, THEY NEED MORE TIME, THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> J. Franklin: OKAY, WELL. BUT THAT'S IN THERE. THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT.
- >> S. Napolitano: WELL THAT'S AS IF IT WERE ALREADY WRITTEN AND DONE.
- >> J. Franklin: DO WE HAVE TO MOVE TO KEEP THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND PLAQUE SUBCOMMITTEE?
- >> S. Napolitano: GIVEN EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN SAID TONIGHT, PROBABLY YEAH. WHAT

- >> Mayor Hadley: WHAT WAS THE MOTION?
- >> J. Franklin: DO WE NEED A MAKE A MOTION TO KEEP THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND PLAQUE SUBCOMMITTEE. NOT THE WHOLE TASK FORCE BUT THE TWO SUBCOMMITTEES.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THE PLAQUE SUBCOMMITTEE IS THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> J. Franklin: THAT'S RIGHT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: IT'S THE ART WAS FOR OTHER PEOPLE.
- >> J. Franklin: YEAH. SO KEEP THE ART. THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I GUESS -- YEAH, GO AHEAD, RICHARD? WAS THAT RICHARD?
- >> R. Montgomery: THAT WASN'T ME.
- >> S. Napolitano: IF I MAY SUGGEST WE AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH WEB PAGE TO HOST THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT. I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHY IT SAYS THAT. COULD SAY TO SHARE THE HISTORY OF BRUCE'S BEACH AS DETERMINED BY THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND THAT THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE BE GIVEN FOUR MORE MONTHS TO WORK WITH THE OTHER INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT IN AND HOPEFULLY GET THE ACCESS TO THE HALL OF RECORDS THEY NEED TO COMPLETE SOME OF THE OTHER, ADDRESS SOME OF THE OTHER ISSUES. AND THAT COULD BE REASSESSED FOUR MONTHS FROM NOW AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THEY NEED TO CONTINUE.
- >> J. Franklin: I'M GOOD WITH THAT.
- >> S. Napolitano: THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION.
- >> R. Montgomery: JOE DID YOU SECOND THAT?
- >> J. Franklin: YEAH.
- >> Mayor Hadley: CAN YOU RESTATE THE MOTION, PLEASE?
- >> S. Napolitano: OH MY LORD, PROBABLY NOT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THAT'S WHY IT NEEDS TO BE RESTATED.
- >> S. Napolitano: IT COULD BE, 1.3 AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH WEB PAGE TO HOST THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE DOCUMENT AS IT IS WRITTEN NOW. IT'S DOING NOW. BUT ALSO GIVE THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE FOUR MORE MONTHS TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK ON THE HISTORY AS THEY WANTED TO GET ACCESS TO OTHER THINGS AND TO ADDRESS OTHER HISTORY THAT'S COME IN SINCE THEN. AND SO THEY CAN FILL THE GAPS IN THE HISTORY. AND THEN WE CAN REVISIT IT IN FOUR MONTHS TO SEE IF THEY NEED TO CONTINUE ON THAT. LIKE I SAID, THEY MIGHT NEED THAT INFORMATION FOR THE PLAQUE WORK AS WELL. IT'S IMPORTANT THEY BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I MEAN FOUR MONTHS IS AS LONG AS THE ENTIRE TASK FORCE.
- >> S. Napolitano: THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE STATE OF THE HALL OF RECORDS.
- >> J. Franklin: THERE ARE THINGS OUTSIDE THEIR CONTROL. ACCESS TO HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS AND THE LIKE.
- >> S. Napolitano: IT DON'T MEAN THEY WILL BE WORKING FOR FOUR MONTHS. THEY PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO. THEY DO THE PLAQUE FIRST, BECAUSE THEY

WOULD BE CHOSEN FACTS BUT THEY MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO GET ACCESS TO THE HALL OF RECORDS UNTIL THREE MONTHS FROM NOW. WE DON'T KNOW.

- >> Mayor Hadley: RICHARD, WHAT IS YOUR COMMENT?
- >> R. Montgomery: HOLD THEM TO THAT FOUR MONTH TIME FRAME. IF THEY DON'T ACCESS, WE WILL BE IN THE ORANGE OR YELLOW STAGE, WHATEVER IT WILL BE BY THAT TIME AND ACCESS SHOULD BE FORTHCOMING. FOUR MONTHS IT WILL EITHER BE DONE OR WE MAKE A HARD AND FAST DECISION. I WOULDN'T LEAVE IT OPEN-ENDED.
- >> S. Napolitano: JUST TO BE CLEAR, IT'S NOT COVID RELATED. IT'S A FLOOD THE HALL OF RECORDS HAS TO ADDRESS AND FIX. IF YOU REMEMBER THE WATER DAMAGE FROM THE L.A. LIBRARY FIRE. THAT WAS A BIG PROJECT THAT TOOK A LOT TO BRING THAT BACK ONLINE.
- >> R. Montgomery: AGREED. YOUR HONOR I WOULD PUT THAT CAP FOUR MONTHS IF SOMETHING HAPPENS WE CAN MAKE A DECISION THEN OR NOT. FOUR MONTHS, THAT'S YOUR CAP.
- >> Mayor Hadley: SO HOW MUCH STAFF TIME GOES INTO THESE SUBCOMMITTEES?
- >> NONE. THE SUBCOMMITTEES ARE ENTIRELY MADE OF VOLUNTEERS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: SO THEY WORK ON THEIR OWN SCHEDULE. ALLIE IS NOT ON THE CLOCK OR NOT BEING VIDEOTAPED AND ARCHIVES AND THAT KIND OF STUFF.
- >> S. Napolitano: I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ASSIST THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE IN CASE THEY HAVE ANY DOCUMENTS FROM THE PLEADINGS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: ANY DOCUMENTS FROM WHAT?
- >> S. Napolitano: FROM THE COURT PLEADINGS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: AND HOW WOULD QUINN, DOES QUINN HAVE ACCESS TO THOSE. OR INTERPRETATION OF THOSE?
- >> PREVIOUSLY WE OBTAINED SOME OF THE RECORDS. BUT MICROFICHE, ALMOST UNINTELLIGIBLE. I THINK I HAVE ACCESS TO THE ORIGINAL COMPLAINTS, THE ANSWERS AND THE JUDGMENT OF THE COURT. BUT THEY ARE REALLY BAD. BUT WE WILL ASSIST. THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I'M GOOD WITH THAT. I'M VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE HISTORY REPORT. I'M VERY IMPRESSED WITH HOW ACCURATE MEASURED DOCUMENTED AND RESEARCHED IT IS. SO IF WE ARE PLUGGING HOLES IN THE CURRENT REPORT, I THINK THAT'S GREAT, WITH ACTUAL DOCUMENTS AND NOT LIKE ADDING NEW PROJECTS TO THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> S. Napolitano: NOT ADDING.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WHAT'S THAT?
- >> S. Napolitano: THERE'S NO NEW PROJECTS. THE HISTORY IS THE HISTORY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, COLLEAGUES. A FIRST AND A SECOND?
- >> R. Montgomery: FIRST AND A SECOND.
- >> Mayor Hadley: AND STEVE AMENDED HIS OWN MOTION TO INCLUDE SOME ASSISTANCE FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY.
- >> CAN ATTORNEY BARROW READ THAT BACK? SOMEBODY TOOK NOTES?
- >> I THINK SO. AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUATION OF THE BRUCE'S BEACH WEB

PAGE TO HOST THE HISTORY DEVELOPED BY THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE. PERIOD. AND GIVE FOUR MORE MONTHS TO FILL IN THE GAPS TO GET MORE HISTORY. IT'S NOT JUST FROM THE COURT RECORDS, BUT ALSO OUR, THE MANHATTAN BEACH HISTORICAL SOCIETY, I DON'T KNOW IF HE IS PRESIDENT, IN THE SURE WHAT HIS TITLE IS. TO BASICALLY RECONCILE A FEW, WELL, FILL IN THE GAPS.

- >> J. Franklin: SINCE WE ARE GOING ON FOUR MINUTES DO WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT ATTRITION ON HISTORICAL SUBCOMMITTEE, HOW DO PEOPLE GET REPLACED OR THE SAME FOUR?
- >> Mayor Hadley: SAME FOUR.
- >> J. Franklin: OKAY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: LIZA, ROLL CALL, PLEASE.
- >> OKAY, COUNCILOR MONTGOMERY?
- >> R. Montgomery: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?
- >> J. Franklin: YES.
- >> MAYOR HADLEY?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: YES.
- >> MOTION PASSES 5-0.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, MOVING ONTO 1.4. ADOPT RESOLUTION OF APOLOGY SET FORTH IN APPENDIX 2.
- >> J. Franklin: MAY I MAKE A COMMENT, MAYOR?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> J. Franklin: OR A SUGGESTION. IN EACH OF OUR DISCUSSIONS, WE ALL MENTIONED SOME DIFFERENT IDEAS ABOUT THIS, I THINK IT'S GOING TO TAKE QUITE A BIT OF TIME TO COME TO AGREEMENT ON THAT. IS THIS SOMETHING WE CAN CONTINUE? JUST THIS PIECE?
- >> Mayor Hadley: I THINK THIS POSSIBLY IS A BIG ITEM. I WELCOME INPUT FROM MY OTHER COLLEAGUES.
- >> S. Napolitano: I'M NOT OPPOSED TO THAT. I OFFER UP MY ALTERNATIVE, IF ANYONE WANTS TO WORD SMITH IT. THEY ARE WELCOME TO. IT HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY. AND DETERMINED THERE'S LITTLE TO NO CHANCE OF LIABILITY FROM IT. IF THERE ARE PARTS OF IT YOU OBJECT TO. BUT IF YOU WANT TO BRING BACK EDITS FOR ANOTHER TIME, THAT'S FINE TOO. IT IS 11:34.
- >> J. Franklin: WELL, AND ALSO TOO, -- WHERE IS IT? I PROVIDED, OR I HAVE WRITTEN A RESOLUTION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONDEMNATION I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CONSIDERED AS WELL.
- >> S. Napolitano: OKAY, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THAT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: RICHARD, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?
- >> R. Montgomery: 11:35, YOUR HONOR. I DON'T WANT US IN THE MIDDLE

- OF THE NIGHT. WE HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE 4:00, I KNOW STAFF WITH US TOO. I WOULD RATHER DO SOMETHING RIGHT AND CORRECT IN DAYLIGHT THEN TRY TO RUSH SOMETHING THROUGH AT 12:00 AT NIGHT. ESPECIALLY IF COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN HAS A LONG REVISION, SOMETHING DIFFERENT, I WANT US ALL TO BE AWAKE TO UNDERSTAND IT AND GIVE IT THE TIME IT DESERVES THEN TO TRY TO RUSH IT THROUGH. I'M ALL FOR HOLDING THIS ONE OFF. WE CAN GO ONTO NUMBER 5. 1.5, I'M SORRY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY. I WILL BE THE THIRD MEMBER TO PUT OFF 1.4. WE WILL GO ONTO 1.5 TONIGHT. AUTHORIZE A MINIMUM OF A ONE ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY FORUM IN THE SPRING OF 2021 AS DESCRIBED IN APPENDIX 6.
- >> R. Montgomery: I HAVE A QUESTION, I COULD ASK MAYOR PRO TEM STERN OR STEVE TO TELL US WHAT THIS IS FOR? BASED ON NEW INFORMATION COMING OUT? WHAT'S THE PURPOSE OF THE FORUM WHILE THE PLAQUE, ART UNDERGOING, WHAT IS THE FORUM SUPPOSED TO BE FOR? ANYBODY KNOW?
- >> S. Napolitano: IT'S AS PRESENTED THERE. BUT GO AHEAD, HILDY, I'M SORRY. IT'S AS PRESENTED. BUT THE TASK FORCE, AS A WHOLE, WANTED TO DO A SERIES OF FORUMS TO, AGAIN EXERCISE IN UNDERSTANDING AND EDUCATION ON THESE TYPES OF MATTERS.
- >> R. Montgomery: I GUESS I'M READING IT ON PAGE 244. WE TALKED ABOUT THE WEBSITE ALREADY. I'M NOT GETTING WHERE THAT FORUM IS SUPPOSED TO COVER. IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A NEW PLAQUE OR TWO NEW PLAQUES WHICH WE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT, WE ARE AGREEING WITH GOING WITH THE WEBSITE, EXPAND AND UPDATE IT, WHICH IS A GREAT IDEA. I'M JUST ASKING WHAT THE PURPOSE OF A FORUM IS.
- >> S. Napolitano: WHAT IT SAYS IN THE SECOND PARAGRAPH THERE, WE SPONSOR SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY FORUM, WE ARE PROPOSING ONE ADDITIONAL VIRTUAL COMMUNITY FORUM IN THE SPRING. THIS WILL TARGET STUDENTS IN MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AND CO- CREATED WITH THE MBUSD COMMITTEE. SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM MBUSD STUDENT BODY. SOCIAL JUSTICE AND BRUCE'S BEACH HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE.
- >> R. Montgomery: I APOLOGIZE. I READ THAT TO READ MBUSD WAS HOSTING THAT.
- >> S. Napolitano: IT WOULD BE A JOINT FORUM.
- >> R. Montgomery: THE CHAMBER AS WELL.
- >> S. Napolitano: THE CHAMBER IS NOT INVOLVED.
- >> R. Montgomery: OKAY. SURPRISINGLY.
- >> S. Napolitano: THE SCHOOL AND THE STUDENTS AND THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE. OBVIOUSLY THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE, IF THEY CHOSE, IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WANTS TO PUT THIS ON, COULD SIMPLY, AS MEMBERS PARTICIPATE AND TALK ABOUT, IF IT'S A HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE OBVIOUSLY THEY WILL PROVIDE HISTORY ON THE BACKGROUND OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF BRUCE'S BEACH.
- >> R. Montgomery: GO AHEAD, JOE.
- >> J. Franklin: IT COULD POSSIBLY BE ANOTHER HISTORY ONE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: I LIKE STEVE'S IDEA OF THEM JOINING THE MBUSD --

THEY HAVE THE COMMITTEE, THEY ARE DOING THE FORUM ANYWAY. IF OUR HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS WANT TO JOIN I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT. >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: I DON'T KNOW THIS SUGGESTS THERE ALREADY IS A FORUM. I THINK THIS IS SUGGESTING THEY WOULD PARTNER WITH MBUSD AND CREATE A FORUM. I'M NOT READING THERE ALREADY IS A FORUM. NO, THERE ISN'T. THIS IS THE IDEA OF THE FORUM.

- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: SO THEY ARE CREATING ONE. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY I THINK A LOT OF WHAT WE HEARD TONIGHT, THROUGH ALL THOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS SUGGESTS THAT WE PROBABLY DO REALLY, WE WOULD REALLY BENEFIT FROM A BETTER UNDERSTANDING, MORE COMMUNICATION, MORE CONVERSATIONS. GIVING OUR COMMUNITY AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN AND LISTEN AND I VERY MUCH SUPPORT CONTINUED FORUMS. I DON'T KNOW IF I THINK IT SHOULD BE LIMITED TO THE STUDENTS AT MBUSD I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH MBUSD BUT I THINK WE MIGHT WANT TO ALSO GIVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY TO SPEAK AND SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES. WE LEARNED A LOT TONIGHT THERE ARE A LOT OF EXPERIENCES WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT. AND THAT PEOPLE REALLY DO WANT TO SHARE THEM. I THINK THIS IS A VERY APPROPRIATE WAY TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY AND LEARN FROM EACH OTHER. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US SUPPORTING ANOTHER COMMUNITY FORUM.
- >> J. Franklin: HOW MANY HAVE WE HAD SO FAR SINCE THE SUMMER?
- >> S. Napolitano: SINCE THE SUMMER? ONE.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: THE TASK FORCE.
- >> J. Franklin: INCLUDING THE SUMMER. DIDN'T WE HAVE TWO?
- >> S. Napolitano: WELL, THE ONE IN AUGUST WAS THE HISTORY. BY THE CITY. AND THEN WE HAD HISTORY AGAIN THIS PAST MONTH. BUT THE FIRST ONE WAS NOT A FORUM OF THE TASK FORCE.
- >> R. Montgomery: I THOUGHT, YOUR HONOR?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES, RICHARD?
- >> R. Montgomery: I THOUGHT THE TASK FORCE IT'S LATE AND MY BRAIN ISN'T WORKING AS FAST AS IT WAS. WE ARE ONLY KEEPING THE HISTORY GROUP AND ART GROUP, IS THAT CORRECT? SO THERE'S NO TASK FORCE PASSED TONIGHT OTHER THAN TWO GROUPS DOING THEIR SPECIFIC JOBS. DETAILS. IT'S ONLY GOING TO GO SIDE WAYS.
- >> S. Napolitano: BUT THE MEMBERS THAT WOULD BE PARTICIPATING IN THIS FORUM ARE CALLED OUT AS THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE. GOING TO STAY TOGETHER ANYWAY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: RICHARD, DO YOU WANT TO MOVE ABOUT THE TASK FORCE IN GENERAL? I THINK THAT MIGHT BE A POINT OF CLARIFICATION. WE VOTE ON THE TASK FORCE TONIGHT.
- >> R. Montgomery: OKAY. BEFORE ANYBODY FALLS ASLEEP, YES. I WOULD SAY THAT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SPECIFIC DUTIES OF THE HISTORY COMMITTEE AND THE ART COMMITTEE, THE TASK FORCE ITSELF IS DISBANDED. WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE AND APPRECIATE THEIR HARD WORK BUT

NOW WE HAVE TWO GROUPS TO GO THAT HAVE SPECIFIC DUTIES AND TWO GOALS THAT ARE CLEARLY DIRECTED. SO NOT GOING TO SPLIT OFF INTO TEN DIFFERENT GROUPS.

- >> Mayor Hadley: I'LL SECOND.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: CAN WE HAVE COMMENTS ABOUT THIS FIRST BEFORE WE VOTE ON THIS?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES. QUICKLY.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: WELL, I WANT TO THINK A LITTLE MORE CRITICALLY ABOUT THAT, WHETHER WE WANT TO DISBAND THIS TASK FORCE. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT ALL OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES WHO MAKE UP ALL THE MEMBERS OF THIS TASK FORCE WHO WOULD BE CONTINUING THEIR WORK. I THINK WE ARE RECOGNIZING THERE IS WORK TO BE DONE. I WANT TO REMIND EVERYBODY ABOUT OUR PARTNERS IN THIS COMMUNITY WHO HAVE REALLY EMBRACED THESE CONVERSATIONS AND THEY HAVE EMBARKED ON THEIR OWN TASKS, THEY EMBARKED ON THEIR OWN COMMITTEES IN THIS WAY. THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RESPONDED AND FORMED AN INCLUSION COMMITTEE, MADE OF A CROSS SECTION OF THEIR BUSINESS OWNERS WHO ARE TRYING TO TAKE ACTION TO LEARN AND ASSURE AS THEY STATED IN ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS THAT EVERY PERSON IN THE COMMUNITY IS VALUED, HEARD, RESPECTED, EMPOWERED AND FEELS A TRUE SENSE OF BELONGING. THEY HAVE HAD EIGHT LISTENING CALLS SINCE THEY FORMED LAST SUMMER. AND EVEN HAD ANOTHER MAJOR DISCUSSION ABOUT INCLUSION. SIMILARLY, THE MANHATTAN BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS TAKEN GREAT STRIDES. THEY HAVE THEIR PANEL FOR EQUITY, WHICH INCLUDES ALUMNI AND STUDENTS, PARENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS. ALSO CREATED EQUITY, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE. INCLUDES COSTA STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS, UNION LEADERS, PARENT REPS FROM ALL OF THE SEVEN SCHOOL SITES. THOSE ARE OUR PARTNERS IN THE CITY WHO HAVE ACTUALLY COMMITTED TO CONTINUING TO BE A PART OF THIS LEARNING AND THIS CONVERSATION. WE ARE ALL NOW RECOGNIZING THAT THERE IS WORK TO STILL BE DONE. WE HAVE THE HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE. WE HAVE THE, YOU KNOW, THE ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE. NOW WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE COMMUNITY FORUM SUBCOMMITTEE. THESE ARE MEMBERS OF THIS TASK FORCE. WHY WOULDN'T WE CONTINUE THIS TASK FORCE TO GET THIS WORK DONE? TO BE A PART OF THIS CONVERSATION. LIKE THE OTHER PARTNERS IN OUR COMMUNITY HAVE? I VERY MUCH SUPPORT CONTINUING THIS TASK FORCE.
- >> J. Franklin: I WILL DISAGREE. BECAUSE I THINK WE HEARD FROM MORE PEOPLE WHO SAID THEY DON'T WANT THE TASK FORCE TO CONTINUE. MORE RESIDENTS. WHO THINK THERE'S BEEN ENOUGH WORK DONE. WE MADE PROVISIONS FOR WORK TO BE FINISHED. THE HISTORY, THE PLAQUE AND THE ART. WITH THE SELF-APPOINTED SUBCOMMITTEES FROM THE TASK FORCE. SO THERE'S NO NEED FOR THE TASK FORCE. TO CONTINUE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, JOE. I WILL HOP IN HERE AND CALL FOR THE QUESTION. LIZA, LET'S HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE, PLEASE.
- >> OKAY, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

- >> J. Franklin: SO THE QUESTION IS, IS THE TASK FORCE GOING TO BE DISCONTINUED?
- >> Mayor Hadley: WRAPPED UP AS OF TONIGHT.
- >> J. Franklin: YES.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES, ART AND THE SIGNAGE.
- >> J. Franklin: UH-HUH.
- >> OKAY, COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?
- >> R. Montgomery: YES.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: NO.
- >> MAYOR HADLEY?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> S. Napolitano: I THINK IT'S UNFORTUNATE BUT AS I SAID EARLIER WE NEED A NEW MECHANISM TO BUILD CONSENSUS, I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE NEW TASK FORCE MEMBERS TO JOIN THE OTHER GROUPS ALREADY WORKING ON THIS, BUT I DON'T SEE THIS AS THE PATH FORWARD FOR THE CITY. WE NEED SOMETHING ELSE TO BUILD CONSENSUS. SO YES.
- >> MOTION PASSES 4-1 WITH MAYOR PRO TEM STERN VOTING NO.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. THAT WAS 1.5. WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE 1.4 FOR THE FUTURE, I BELIEVE. AND COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN, YOU ARE WELCOME TO SUBMIT YOUR VERSION AND THEN WE WILL HAVE COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO'S, COUNCILMEMBER STERN'S AND COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN'S. RICHARD IF YOU WANT TO JOIN IN THE FUND, YOU COULD SEND A VERSION YOURSELF.
- >> MADAM MAYOR?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> DID THAT DISPENSE WITH 1.5? BECAUSE THERE'S A SUBCOMMITTEE THAT COULD PUT ON A FORUM AS THE OTHER SUBCOMMITTEES ARE DOING. I THINK THAT --
- >> Mayor Hadley: THAT DISPENSES WITH 1.5, AS FAR AS I UNDERSTAND.
- >> R. Montgomery: IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A SEPARATE MOTION, YOU CAN.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: I DON'T THINK THAT DOES DISPENSE WITH IT. THAT JUST DISPENSES WITH THE TASK FORCE. THIS IS WITH RESPECT TO A COMMUNITY FORUM.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YOU ARE WELCOME TO MAKE A MOTION MAYOR PRO TEM.
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION THAT WE AUTHORIZE THE COMMUNITY FORUM SUBCOMMITTEE TO HOST AN ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY FORUM, AS DESCRIBED IN APPENDIX 6.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THE MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF A SECOND. AND WE WILL MOVE ON. WE WILL TABLE THE RESOLUTION OF APOLOGY FOR A FUTURE MEETING. AND WITH THAT, CONCLUDE NUMBER 12, CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BRUCE'S BEACH TASK FORCE. WE HAVE DISCUSSED AND PROVIDED DIRECTION. WE ARE CONTINUING ONLY THE RESOLUTION OF APOLOGY TO A

FUTURE MEETING. SO LET'S MOVE ONTO AGENDA ITEM 13 WHICH IS THE -->> MADAM MAYOR. IF I COULD. I KNOW IT'S LATE. I JUST WANT TO TAKE A MINUTE AND RECOGNIZE ALLIE FOR ALL THE WORK SHE HAS PUT IN THE TASK FORCE.

- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> SHE HAS DONE PHENOMENAL WORK, A LOT ON SHORT NOTICE AND REALLY KEPT THINGS GOING, REALLY HAS BEEN THE GLUE FOR THE TASK FORCE. SHE HAS DONE WORK BEYOND WHAT I CAN DESCRIBE FOR YOU HERE. I THINK WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE ALLIE AND ALSO OTHER STAFF MEMBERS WHO HAVE WORKED ON THIS. MARK LEYMAN, LIZA, MARTHA, PATTY, CAROLINE, AND THE CLERK'S OFFICE TAKING MINUTES AND THINGS LIKE THAT. IT WAS A GREAT TEAM EFFORT. THE RESULTS SHOW, A LOT DUE TO ALLIE'S HARD WORK AND THE STAFF'S HARD WORK.
- >> S. Napolitano: ALLIE IS A STUD SHE HAD TO DEAL WITH SO MANY ISSUES AND SO MANY PERSONALITIES. WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE HER, WE ARE LUCKY TO STILL HAVE HER AFTER THIS.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE HOPE WE WILL HAVE HER AS OF TOMORROW. THANK YOU, ALLIE.
- >> R. Montgomery: YOU GET YOUR TIME BACK NOW, ALLIE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GREAT JOB, ALLIE.
- >> THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: HOPE YOU ARE FEELING THE LOVE. AND THANK YOU, BRUCE, FOR BRINGING THAT UP. THAT'S FABULOUS. OKAY, COLLEAGUES, LET'S QUICKLY GO TO THE PUBLIC HEARING ON PARKING METERS AND GET THROUGH THAT SO WE DON'T HAVE TO BRING THAT BACK. DIRECTOR CHARELIAN, TAKE IT AWAY. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION.
- >> THANK YOU, HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, SO TONIGHT WE ARE RECOMMENDING TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO INCREASE THE PARKING METER RATES AT THE BEACH PARKING LOTS FROM \$2 PER HOUR TO \$2.50 PER HOUR. THAT WOULD BE FOR THE PIER LOT, AS WELL AS 26th STREET AND EL PORTO. IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP IN MIND THAT THE PIER LOT IS THE STATE, DIFFERENT FUND. SIXTH STREET AND EL PORTO ARE PART OF THE COUNTY PARKING FUND. WITH THAT, THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 210025, APPROVING THE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITS AND APPEALABLE ZONE. AGAIN THE CURRENT RATE IS \$2. PER HOUR. THAT WOULD GO TO \$2.50. IF THE RESOLUTION IS APPROVED IT TAKES ABOUT 30 DAYS, 30-45 DAYS TO GO THROUGH THE COASTAL APPLICATION PROCESS AND SUBMIT THE PERMITS AND GET THAT APPROVED. SO THE EARLIEST THESE RATES WOULD GO INTO EFFECT WOULD BE CLOSER TO MAY. 118 SPACES IN THOSE LOTS. REVENUES COME IN AROUND \$693,000. ESTIMATED FOR FISCAL YEAR '21. AGAIN, THESE WERE IMPACTED BY LESS USE OVER THE LAST 9-12 MONTHS WITH THE PANDEMIC. ONGOING OPERATIONS ARE ESTIMATED TO COST ABOUT \$540,000. RECENTLY FUNDED INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE THE PIER AND COMFORT STATION IMPROVEMENTS, ROUND HOUSE AQUARIUM DESIGN, SMART METER TECHNOLOGY, PARKING METERS PLACED THERE AS WELL AS THE UNFUNDED

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT FOR THE PIER RAILING THAT WAS BROUGHT FORTH TO COUNCIL THAT WE INDICATED WE WOULD BE UTILIZING KIND OF A LOAN THROUGH THE PARKING FUND TO FUND THIS PROJECT. THE INCREASE FROM \$2.50 WOULD PROJECT ANNUAL INCREASE OF \$173,000. THE COUNTY PARKING LOT FUNDS. THESE WOULD BE LOCATED 26th AND EL PORTO. ABOUT 295 METERS. WE HAVE AN AGREEMENT SETBACK IN THE 1980'S. A REVENUE SPLIT, 55% OF THE NET REVENUES GO TO THE COUNTY. 45% STAY WITH THE CITY. THE REVENUES ARE ESTIMATED AROUND \$1.3 MILLION. AND ONGOING OPERATIONS COST ABOUT \$747,000 PER YEAR. AGAIN, RECENT AND PAST FUNDED INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY, THE SMART METER TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, AS WELL AS -- PAYMENT DONE IN EL PORTO A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO. THE PROJECTED INCREASE WOULD BE \$334,000, WITH THE COUNTY RECEIVING ABOUT \$183,000 OF THAT PER YEAR OR MORE X AND CITY ALLOCATION WOULD BE AROUND \$150,000. KEEPING MANY MIND THE COUNTY HAS APPROACHED US IN YEARS' PAST TO SAY TO RUN THEIR OPERATION FOR THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, THEY ARE IN DEFICIT MODE ABOUT \$1 MILLION PLUS A YEAR. A COUPLE YEARS AGO THAT WAS CLOSE TO \$1.7 MILLION. THIS WILL BE WELCOMED BY THE COUNTY AS WELL. WE DID RUN A SURVEY OF THE CITIES THAT WERE ABLE TO GET INFORMATION FROM. COASTAL CITIES, SPECIFICALLY BEACH LOTS. THEY RANGE FROM \$2 TO ABOUT \$7 AN HOUR. WE ARE KIND OF AT THE LOWER END OF THAT SPECTRUM. THE RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO INCREASE THE PARKING METER RATES AT THE BEACH LOTS. ADOPT 210025 APPROVING COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITS AND COASTAL ZONE, INCREASING THE BEACH LOTS FROM \$2 AN HOUR TO \$2.50 AN HOUR. HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU SO MUCH, DIRECTOR CHARELIAN. COLLEAGUES, ANY QUESTIONS FOR DIRECTOR CHARELIAN OF FINANCE?
- >> J. Franklin: SORRY, I CAME FROM -- THIS IS A NERDY QUESTION. ARE WE GOING TO ACTIVATE ALL THE FEATURES OF THE SMART METERS. EMPTY OUT THE METER IF SOMEBODY BACKS OUT?
- >> THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. YES, WE ARE ALREADY DOING THAT. WHEN SOMEBODY MOVES OUT, IT ZEROS OUT THE METER WITHIN A SPECIFIC AMOUNT OF TIME. I BELIEVE WITHIN A COUPLE MINUTES. OR ABOUT A MINUTE.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GOOD TO KNOW, SO WE CAN SWOOP IN THERE IF WE SEE SOMEONE PULL OUT. WE HAVE 60 SECONDS TO GET IN THERE.
- >> SOME TIME TO GET THE CAR TO CLEAR AND WHAT NOT. THOSE ARE ON ALL THE STREET METERS JUST NOT IN THE PARKING LOTS. WE ARE LOOKING AT LIKE A MULTI- SPACE FUNCTION.
- >> J. Franklin: I VOTED AGAINST IT, ISN'T IT NICE TO PULL IN AND THERE'S 30-40 MINUTES ON THE METER?
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, CITY ATTORNEY QUINN BARROW. WHAT DO WE DO FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING? DO WE OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING?
- >> YES, GO AHEAD AND OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SEE IF ANYBODY WANTS TO TALK.
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE WILL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. AND DEPUTY CITY

CLERK MARTHA ALVAREZ, IS ANYONE HOLDING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT? >> YES, WE HAVE STEPHANIE CASTENEDA.

- >> THANK YOU. AS FAR AS PARKING SPACES OR OCEAN SPACES, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE SOMETHING ACCESSIBLE, AS A COMMUNITY MEMBER IN LENNOX AND ALUMNA FROM MIRA COSTA, I KNOW OF THE DIFFERENCE AND IMPACT IT MAKES TO HAVE BEACH SPACES DOWN THE STREET FROM WHERE I LIVE. DESPITE ME NOT HAVING AS CLOSE OF AN ACCESS AS OF COURSE YOU ALL HAVE HERE. IT'S STILL A POINT OF TRANSITION AND YOUNG FOLKS LIVES WHEN THEY GET TO GO WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND EVEN GET TO KNOW THE OCEAN. SOMETIMES PEOPLE IN THE INNER- CITY PARTS OF LOS ANGELES THAT STILL HAVE YET TO GO TO THE BEACH AND SOMETIMES WHEN THEY DO GO HAVE TO PARK A MILE OUT BECAUSE \$2 AN HOUR MAY SEEM LIKE IT'S A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY, BUT WHEN YOU ARE DISCUSSING THE CURRENT FUNDING SITUATION AND THE MONEY THAT MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS CURRENTLY HAVE, BEING A PREDOMINANTLY UPPER MIDDLE CLASS CITY, THIS SAME PRIVILEGE OF ACCESS TO THESE SPACES IS NOT THE SAME ACROSS THE REST OF LOS ANGELES. AND PROVIDING THE LOWER END COST OF THESE PARKING METERS, I THINK IS CRUCIAL TO ALLOW FOR MORE BLACK AND BROWN, LOWER INCOME FOLKS TO COME INTO THE AREAS AND ENJOY THE OCEAN SPACES AS OTHER FOLKS HAVE TRIED TO AND HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO. SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE A PUBLIC HEARING TO TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE OF THIS AS WELL TO GET MORE INPUT HOW TO PROVIDE MORE SPACES AND LOWER COST PARKING RATES ACROSS MANHATTAN BEACH AS WELL. THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, STEPHANIE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. NEXT CALLER, PLEASE?
- >> NEXT WE HAVE ZOOM PARTICIPANT NAMED GATOR. HI, CAN YOU HEAR US? >> YEAH, I CAN HEAR YOU GUYS. I JUST WANT TO AGREE WITH COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN ABOUT HIS COMMENT. ISN'T IT NICE WHEN YOU PULL INTO A PARKING SPACE AND THERE'S STILL MONEY ON THE METER. THAT'S ACTUALLY, DEFINITELY YOU KNOW ONE OF THE JOYS OF LIFE. BUT ALSO, I JUST WANTED TO AGREE WITH THE LAST PUBLIC COMMENT BY MS. STEPHANIE. I AGREE WITH THE PREMISE. I DON'T WANT, I DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY TO KEEP RAISING THE PARKING METER COSTS. IT'S ALREADY PRETTY HIGH, YOU KNOW. AND SHE IS RIGHT. THIS IS A REGRESSIVE TAX. IT HURTS PEOPLE THAT EARN LESS. SO, BUT ALSO WHAT WAS I GOING TO SAY? I LOST MY TRAIN OF THOUGHT. YEAH, I AGREE WITH STEPHANIE ABOUT IT. BUT NOT BECAUSE OF RACIAL I DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY TO BRING RACE INTO THAT ARGUMENT. BLACK AND BROWN PEOPLE. I DON'T THINK THAT'S EVEN RELEVANT TO THIS CONVERSATION WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, PARKING METER RATES. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, TWO HOURS FOR \$5 TO PARK IN A PUBLIC SPOT? COME ON. GET REAL.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, GATOR, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> NEXT WE HAVE HEATHER KIM.
- >> HI. YOU KNOW, I DON'T REALLY HAVE -- I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND THE EXACT COSTS OF THE MAINTENANCE AND ALL THAT KIND OF THING FOR

THE CITY. BUT YES, I WANT TO THIRD WHAT COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN SAID ABOUT SLIDING INTO THAT SPOT WITH A LITTLE BIT OF TIME ON IT IS KIND OF NICE. I WISH WE COULD KEEP SOMETHING LIKE THAT AND MAYBE THAT WILL OFFSET THE COST OF \$5 FOR TWO HOURS. THE CITY IS LOSING MONEY BY GIVING OUT THESE SPOTS TO A LOT OF DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN SUFFERING THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC. AND SO, OBVIOUSLY WE NEED TO RECOUP IN SOME WAY OR FORM. I UNDERSTAND THIS INCREASE MIGHT NEED TO HAPPEN IN ORDER TO MAKE THINGS GO AROUND IN THE CITY, IN OUR CITY. I'M NOT IN STRONG FAVOR OF IT, BUT I UNDERSTAND IT. AND MAYBE THE HAPPY MEDIUM COULD BE, WE DON'T HAVE THOSE METERS WHERE YOU LOSE OUT ON TIME JUST BECAUSE YOU DON'T GET THERE WITHIN THE 30 SECONDS ALLOTTED. MAYBE THAT COULD BE A HAPPY COMPROMISE. THANK YOU.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, HEATHER, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.
- >> THERE'S NO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS REQUESTED AT THIS TIME.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, COLLEAGUES?
- >> R. Montgomery: Your Honor? I will start us off. I appreciate the Fact that people actually read the staff report and know where the Money is going to. Heather mentioned we are negative, keeping spaces away to keep more businesses, which is true, downtown. And the fact we have \$1.65 million pay for our pier parking projects. The Earlier speakers talked about the lack of free parking spaces. I remind them that you park on valley ardmore, it's free parking. That's not even half a mile to the water. Maybe a quarter mile most. Up and down highland, you have plenty of places to park for free. To me, if you want to park right next to the pier, you will pay a premium. Other cities charge \$7 an hour. We are charging \$2.50. No one is making you park there. Park for free, you have options. But for me, this makes perfect common sense. You want to save pier railing, this is how you do it. I'm in favor of it, in fact I will make the motion to move it.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, RICHARD. OTHER, COUNCILMEMBER STEVE, IS THAT YOU?
- >> S. Napolitano: SECOND.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, SECOND. LIZA, ROLL CALL VOTE, PLEASE.
- >> MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 21-0025.
- >> R. Montgomery: THAT'S CORRECT. THANK YOU, MR. CITY ATTORNEY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: CORRECT.
- >> MAYOR PRO TEM STERN?
- >> Mayor Pro Tem Stern: YES.
- >> MAYOR HADLEY?
- >> Mayor Hadley: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO?
- >> S. Napolitano: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?
- >> J. Franklin: RELUCTANTLY, YES.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?
- >> R. Montgomery: YES.
- >> MOTION PASSES, 5-0.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, DIRECTOR CHARELIAN, YOU ARE DISMISSED. YOU CAN GO OFF TO BED.
- >> THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR AND COUNCIL.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, GOOD JOB.
- >> DON'T GO ANYWHERE, STEVE. YOU ARE STILL ON THE CLOCK.
- >> I'M NOT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, AGENDA ITEM L. AB 12 34 REPORTS. DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY MEETINGS, CONFERENCES? HEARING NONE, WE WILL GO ONTO ITEM 14. CONSIDERING REQUEST BY MAYOR HADLEY AND PRO TEM STERN TO LOOK AT FUNDING SOURCES FOR HOMELESS SERVICES. DO WE HAVE A THIRD FOR THIS TO MOVE IT FORWARD TO INVEST SOME STAFF TIME?
- >> J. Franklin: YES. YES.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN IS THE THIRD. CITY ATTORNEY BARROW, ARE WE GOOD TO MOVE THAT FORWARD TO A FUTURE AGENDA? >> YES, THAT'S ALL WE NEED.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY. TERRIFIC. LETTER M, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS. ANYONE FROM COUNCIL?
- >> J. Franklin: WEREN'T WE GOING TO DO THE DOGS -- REDIRECT THE ENFORCEMENT TO DOGS AND E-BIKES.
- >> IF I COULD JUST INTERJECT, AT LEAST ON ONE, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN, YOU AND I DISCUSSED THE DOG ENFORCEMENT, WHICH I HAVE DISCUSSED WITH THE POLICE CHIEF. HE HAS DEVELOPED A PLAN THROUGH THE CSO'S TO ADDRESS THAT. THAT'S ALREADY IN THE WORKS.
- >> J. Franklin: OH, GREAT.
- >> THE CSO'S ARE BETTER EQUIPPED BECAUSE WE HAVE VEHICLES TO PATROL THE BEACH. THAT'S ALREADY BEING ADDRESSED.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GREAT, IF PEOPLE ARE RIDING VEHICLES ON THE BEACH, SIGN ME UP. THAT WOULDN'T BE BAD. JUST HAVE MY LITTLE A. TV AND RIDING UP AND DOWN WITH STEVE'S PSYCH BOOK. STEVE IS TIRED, HE IS NOT LAUGHING. AND RICHARD ALREADY HAS HIS TIE OFF.
- >> HE IS DOG TIRED.
- >> Mayor Hadley: ANY OTHER FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS? HEARING NONE, CITY MANAGER REPORT?
- >> YES. AND I WILL BE BRIEF HERE. LAST COUNCIL MEETING THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT IN-PERSON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. STAFF IS WORKING ON THAT. TERRY AND LIZA IN PARTICULAR. I WANT TO HAVE LIZA GIVE A BRIEF UPDATE, THIS IS SCHEDULED TO COME BACK ON THE 4/6 AGENDA. IF YOU CAN GIVE A FLAVOR OF THE TYPES OF ISSUES WE ARE DEALING WITH, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.
- >> SURE, I WILL ACTUALLY ALLOW MARTHA TO DO IT. GOSH, IT SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY WHEN COUNCIL LOOKED AT US TO LOOK AT DOING VIRTUAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND NOW LOOKING AT DOING IN-PERSON MEETINGS AGAIN. WE ARE

MEETING WITH THE I.T. DEPARTMENT AND WE HAVE COME UP WITH A NUMBER OF THINGS TO CONSIDER AND I WOULD LIKE MARTHA TO GO OVER THAT LIST.

- >> Mayor Hadley: GREAT, THANK YOU, LIZA.
- >> THANK YOU, CITY CLERK TAMURA. CAN YOU HEAR ME?
- >> Mayor Hadley: WE CAN HEAR YOU, MARTHA.
- >> GOOD EVENING, MAYOR HADLEY AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, I'M THE DEPUTY CITY CLERK, MARTHA ALVAREZ. THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH I.T. REGARDING LOGISTICS FOR IN- PERSON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. WHEN CITY COUNCIL REQUESTED TO EVALUATE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS FOR IN-PERSON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS CHAMBERS WAS RULED OUT DUE TO THE FACT WE COULDN'T COMPLY WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. THEY LOOKED AT JOSLYN COMMUNITY ORIENTED. STAFF EVALUATED THE FLOOR PLAN TO ACCOMMODATE SOCIAL DISTANCING. ALSO CONSIDERING ZOOM INTEGRATION FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY DUE TO LACK OF POSSIBLE IN-PERSON PARTICIPATION AT JOSLYN. STAFF DETERMINED ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT WOULD BE NEEDED, THAT WOULD REQUIRE ADDITIONAL MICROPHONES, SCREENS, CAMERAS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT NEEDED BY I.T. OTHER TOPICS CONSIDERED SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOLS, FACE COVERING. PURCHASE OF HAND SANITIZER DISPENSARY. WIPES FOR THE MICROPHONE, PODIUM AND PUBLIC SEATING. THE CLEANING REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC RESTROOM USAGE. PURCHASE OF PLEXI-GLASS AS NEEDED. VISUAL DELINEATORS FOR CITY COUNCIL, EXECUTIVE TEAM AND STAFF SPACING. STAFF CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF CONTRACTING ADDITIONAL STAFF DURING THESE MEETINGS TO COVER SAFETY PROTOCOLS, TEMPERATURE CHECKS FOR ATTENDEES AND COMPLETE THE TRACING LOG SHEET. DETERMINE THE SAFEST WAY TO CONDUCT IN-PERSON MEETINGS WHICH MORE TO REPORT AT A LATER DATE. AND THAT CONCLUDES OUR QUICK, BRIEF UPDATE. I.T. DIRECTOR, CITY CLERK TAMURA AND MYSELF ARE AVAILABLE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. THANK
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, MARTHA. TERRIFIC JOB. COLLEAGUES ANY QUESTIONS FOR DIRECTOR HACKLMAN? SENIOR DEPUTY CITY CLERK MARTHA ALVAREZ OR CITY CLERK LIZA TAMURA? GREAT. GLAD THAT'S IN THE WORKS. KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK. KEEP US POSTED.
- >> WE ARE LOOKING AT BRINGING THAT BACK AT THE 4/6 MEETING. THE REOPENING PLAN FOR CITY FACILITIES IS BEING REVIEWED AND WE ANTICIPATE BRINGING THAT TO COUNCIL ON THE 6th AS WELL.
- >> Mayor Hadley: NOW THAT WE ARE IN THE RED TIER.
- >> IRRESPECTIVE OF THE RED TIER. JUST HOW WE CAN OPERATE THROUGH APPOINTMENTS AND STAFFING AND THINGS LIKE THAT. WE SHOULD HAVE THAT ON THE 6th. FINALLY, I WANTED TO ASK DIRECTOR CHARELIAN TO TALK ABOUT ACCESS WE HAVE FOR THE PUBLIC. CITY HALL HAS BEEN CLOSED. THERE'S BEEN SOME COMMENTS ABOUT PEOPLE THINKING THEY EITHER CAN'T COMPLETE THEIR BUSINESS WITH CITY HALL OR HAVEN'T BEEN SUCCESSFUL. SO STEVE HAS SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WE CAN PASS ALONG TO THE PUBLIC HERE. >> THANK YOU, BRUCE. BEGINNING HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE

CITY COUNCIL. OR SHOULD I SAY GOOD MORNING. I'VE BEEN WAITING TO SAY THAT. JUST A QUICK UPDATE. TO REACH THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR ANY TYPE OF CITY-RELATED PAYMENTS, PARKING PERMITS, BUSINESS LICENSING, ANIMAL PERMITS, WATER PAYMENTS OR ANY TYPE OF PAYMENTS OR ANY OTHER BUSINESS WITH THE CITY FOR THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE A DESIGNATED EMAIL THAT GOES TO FOUR COUNCILOR SERVICE REPS. REVENUE@CITYMBINFO. THE SUBJECT LINE STATES CLEARLY WHAT IT'S FOR. FOR EXAMPLE, IF IT'S FOR OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMIT. OR IF FOR A BUSINESS LICENSE, JUST INDICATE THAT AND IT WILL GET ROUTED TO THE APPROPRIATE PERSON. WE ALSO HAVE A DIRECT CALL-IN LINE. WHICH IS AGAIN, A CALL CENTER WE CREATED SPECIFICALLY WITH INFORMATION FOR ALL TYPES OF PAYMENTS THAT WERE RECEIVED. THAT'S 310-802-5558. 802-5558. IN ADDITION WE HAVE OUR FRONT RECEPTIONIST. THAT'S AVAILABLE AT OUR REGULAR CALL LINE, 802-5000, PRESS 0. 7:30-5:30, MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, THERE WILL BE SOMEONE TO PICK UP THE PHONE. THEY ARE FINANCE EMPLOYEES SO THEY WILL KNOW HOW TO DIRECT THE PERSON ON THE PHONE TO THE APPROPRIATE PERSON. FRIDAYS THEY WILL BE ANSWERING THE PHONE FROM 7:30 TO 4:30. ADDITIONALLY, WE HAVE TWO DROP BOXES LOCATED AT THE UPPER SUBSTANTIAL VISITOR PARKING LOTS. ONE IS A DRIVE-UP DROP BOX AND THAT'S ADJACENT TO THE BOOK DROP ON THE UPPER CITY HALL PARKING IN THE LOT. AS WELL AS THERE'S ONE NEXT TO THE FRONT ENTRANCE, CALLED THE FRONT ENTRANCE OFF 15th STREET NEXT TO THE WATER FOUNTAIN. THAT'S A WALK-UP ONE. WE HAVE BEEN SEEING A LOT OF ACTIVITY. SOMETIMES 50-60 PIECES OF MAIL A DAY. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE, REMIND EVERYONE WE ARE HERE TO SERVE. I ENCOURAGE ALL THE CUSTOMERS TO CONTACT US. IF THEY HAVE ANY FINANCIAL RELATED OUESTIONS, WE ARE HERE TO SERVE.

- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU. YES, RICHARD?
- >> R. Montgomery: [BREAKING UP] WE HAVEN'T BEEN RESPONDING TO EMAILS, THAT WE ARE BACKED UP OR WHATEVER THAT IS, THAT'S NOT COVID, THAT'S VOLUME. EMAIL US. WE WILL HELP YOU. WE WILL FIND OUT THE ANSWER. BUT IF IT'S AFTER THE FACT, CUT OUT THE MIDDLE MAN, CALL US DIRECTLY, WE WILL HELP YOU. PICK UP THE PHONE AND CALL US. BUT WE WILL SEE WHAT HAPPENS, I APPRECIATE STEVE SAYING THAT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU, RICHARD. GREAT POINT. DIRECTOR CHARELIAN, CAN I JUST ASK, I'M SURE WE HAVE DONE IT BEFORE BUT CAN WE PUT THAT INFORMATION, THE EMAIL AND THE PHONE NUMBER IN A BRIEF LITTLE SOCIAL MEDIA MESSAGE AND SHOOT IT OUT ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM. THAT'S SOMETHING I WOULD SHARON MY PERSONAL FACEBOOK PAGE. I'M SURE WE HAVE DONE THAT BEFORE BUT IT'S WORTH PUTTING THAT OUT THERE SINCE YOU KINDLY SHARED IT WITH US TONIGHT.
- >> 100%, YES. HAPPY TO DO THAT.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU. THAT'S REALLY TERRIFIC TO GET IT ALL IN ONE PLACE INCLUDING THE HOURS THE RECEPTIONIST PICKS UP. I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS NO BREAK FOR LUNCH. THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR. THANK YOU

FOR THAT EXCELLENT CUSTOMER SERVICE.

- >> ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU.
- >> Mayor Hadley: THANK YOU. HAVE A GOOD NIGHT, STEVE. OKAY, CITY MANAGER, ANYTHING ELSE?
- >> THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT, MADAM MAYOR.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GREAT, THAT WAS KIND OF MEATY FOR MIDNIGHT. BUT YOU WENT FAST. CITY ATTORNEY. LETTER O.
- >> NOTHING TONIGHT. OR THIS MORNING EITHER.
- >> Mayor Hadley: YEA, HAPPY TO HEAR.
- >> HAPPY SAINT PATTY'S DAY.
- >> Mayor Hadley: GOOD POINT. LETTER P. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND CITY ATTORNEY HELP ME OUT WITH NUMBER 15, INFORMATION ITEM ONLY. SHOULD I CALL ON DIRECTOR TAI? TO PRESENT THAT. OR JUST RECEIVE IT.
- >> JUST FOR YOUR INFORMATION.
- >> Mayor Hadley: OKAY. OKAY, TERRIFIC. THEN COLLEAGUES, ANYTHING ELSE? OTHERWISE I WILL ADJOURN TO THE TUESDAY APRIL 6th, 6:00 MEETING OR CITY MANAGER DO YOU THINK WE MIGHT HAVE A CLOSED SESSION AT 4:30?
- >> I THINK WE SHOULD PLAN ON A CLOSED SESSION AT 4:30.
- >> I WILL ADJOURN THIS REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO TUESDAY APRIL 6, 2021 AT 4:30 P.M. FOR CLOSED SESSION. GREAT JOB TODAY, COLLEAGUES. AS RICHARD SAID, WE HAVE BEEN IN THESE SEATS SINCE 4:30 PM, AND MOST OF US ARE VOLUNTEERS. SO I APPRECIATE YOUR PATIENCE AND FORBEARANCE. THANK YOU, STAFF. WONDERFUL MEETING. LOTS GOING ON. LOTS OF PEOPLE CALLING IN. KUDOS TO EVERYBODY. SO PROUD OF TEAM CMB
- >> GOOD NIGHT, EVERYBODY.