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>> Mayor Stern: I WILL CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER.  
WELCOME EVERYONE THAT'S IN OUR CHAMBERS TONIGHT.  
IT'S NICE TO SEE FACES IN THE CHAMBER.  
I'M GOING TO START WITH OUR PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.  
I'M GOING TO ASK EVERYONE TO RISE TO THE LEVEL THAT YOU'RE ABLE.  
WE'LL FACE THE FLAG AND RECITE THE PLEDGE TOGETHER.  
>> I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION  
UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.  
>> Mayor Stern: AND THEN I WILL ASK CITY CLERK LIZA TO CONDUCT  
THE ROLL CALL.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.  
>> Councilmember Montgomery: HERE.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.  
>> Councilmember Franklin: HERE.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.  
>> Councilmember Hadley: HERE.  
>> Mayor Stern: THE FIRST ITEM ON THE CEREMONIAL CALENDAR IS A  
PRESENTATION OF A COMMENDATION TO RETIRING POLICE CAPTAIN TIM  
HAGEMAN TO 30 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE MANHATTAN BEACH  
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH.  
AND I UNDERSTAND THAT CHIEF ABELL WILL LEAD US OFF IN SAYING A  
FEW WORDS.  
>> THANK YOU, MAYOR STERN AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, AND ALLOWING ME  
TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF RETIRED CAPTAIN TIM HAGEMAN.  
I BELIEVE HE IS ON TONIGHT OUT THERE WITH HIS FAMILY.  
LET ME START OFF SAYING, THIS IS A VERY TOUGH MOMENT, EMOTIONAL  
MOMENT FOR ME AS TIM AND I SHARED TIME HERE SINCE THE BEGINNING  
OF OUR TIME WITH THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OVER  
30-PLUS YEARS AGO.  
AND SO I'M GOING TO SAY A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HIM.  
BEFORE HE STARTED HIS TOUR OF DUTY WITH THE MANHATTAN BEACH  
POLICE DEPARTMENT, TIM SERVED FOUR YEARS IN THE AIR FORCE AND  
SERVED WELL.  
SHORTLY THEREAFTER DECIDED ON A CAREER IN LAW ENFORCEMENT WHERE  
HE BEGIN HIS CAREER WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MARSHAL'S OFFICE.  
AT ONE POINT IN 1991 HE DECIDED TO, LATERAL TO THE MANHATTAN  
BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT AND BEGIN HIS TOUR OF DUTY HERE.  
I'M HAPPY TO SAY DURING THAT PERIOD OF TIME, HE SERVED IN  
PROPERTY, BECAME A DARE OFFICER, BECAME A MEMBER OF THE S.W.A.T.  
TEAM EARLY ON AND SERVED LATER AS A S.W.A.T. COMMANDER AND HE  
SERVED ALSO ON OUR CRISIS NEGOTIATIONS TEAM.  
TIM WAS PROMOTED TO POLICE CAPTAIN IN 2013.  
DURING THAT TIME HE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO OVERSEE FIELD  
OPERATIONS AS WELL AS OUR ADMINISTRATIVE AND INVESTIGATIVE  
SECTIONS.  
ONE OF THE THINGS I'M EXTREMELY PROUD OF TIM ABOUT IS HIS

CONNECTION TO THE COMMUNITY.  
MANY OF YOU MAY ALREADY KNOW OR MAY NOT KNOW THAT HE IS A MEMBER  
OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH ROTARY CLUB AND ACTUALLY SERVED AS  
PRESIDENT OF THE ROTARY CLUB DURING THAT PART OF TIME.  
WHAT MEANS THE MOST TO ME IS SERVING OTHERS BEFORE SELF AND IN  
SOME CASES SERVING THOSE THAT ARE LESS FORTUNATE THAN YOURSELF.  
TIM HAS A GREAT PASSION FOR SERVING OTHERS AND IN THIS CASE HE  
SERVED EXTREMELY WELL.  
OVER HIS CAREER I'M PROUD OF WHAT HE WAS ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH.  
HE SERVED PROUDLY WITH GREAT DIGNITY.  
WITH THAT I'M EXTREMELY PROUD.  
HIS FAMILY IS OUT THERE, AMY, MARISSA, AND ELLA, YOU SHOULD BE  
EXTREMELY PROUD OF YOUR HUSBAND AND DAD IN WHAT HE WAS ABLE TO  
ACCOMPLISH.  
AND IF IT WASN'T FOR YOUR SUPPORTING HIM THROUGHOUT THOSE  
DIFFICULT DAYS OVER THIS 33-YEAR CAREER OVER THAT PERIOD OF TIME,  
I'M NOT SURE WHAT HE WOULD HAVE DONE.  
AND I'M SURE HE CAN ATTEST TO THAT AS WELL.  
WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I WOULD LIKE TO  
PRESENT TO YOU RETIRED POLICE CAPTAIN TIM HAGEMAN.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE, PARTNER.  
>> THANK YOU, CHIEF.  
I APPRECIATE THAT.  
HOPEFULLY, EVERYONE OUT THERE CAN HEAR ME.  
WE GO BACK A LONG WAY.  
YOU SAID 30-PLUS YEARS.  
AND IT'S BEEN AN HONOR TO SERVE WITH YOU.  
I APPRECIATE THAT, CHIEF, VERY MUCH.  
THIRTY-THREE YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, MANHATTAN BEACH.  
I HOPE YOU CAN GIVE ME A COUPLE OF MINUTES TO SAY A FEW THINGS  
ABOUT MY TIME WHICH I REALLY APPRECIATE.  
WITH THAT SAID, GOO EVENING, MAYOR STERN, MEMBERS OF CITY  
COUNCIL, CITY STAFF AND EVERYONE WHO IS WATCHING.  
YOU KNOW, AFTER 33 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, 30 OF WHICH, AS YOU  
KNOW, AS THE CHIEF SAID, SPENT HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH, I'VE  
EXPERIENCED A LOT.  
IT'S BEEN A GREAT RUN.  
I WANT TO RECOGNIZE MY FAMILY, MY WIFE AMY AND OUR TWO DAUGHTERS,  
MARISSA AND ELLA.  
THEY ARE HERE WITH ME IN THE HOUSE.  
I'M SORRY THAT WE'RE NOT THERE.  
BUT I HAVE TO SAY THAT I'M BLESSED TO HAVE THESE THREE WOMEN IN  
MY LIFE.  
THEY REALLY MAKE ME A BETTER PERSON.  
THEY PUT ME IN CHECK ALL OF THE TIME.  
A LOT OF TIMES I GO TO WORK FOR A BREAK.  
BUT THEY TREAT ME VERY WELL.

YOU KNOW, FROM THE DAY AMY AND I STARTED DATING IN 1995, I WAS A DARE OFFICER AND SHE WAS AT -- SHE WAS HELPING TEACH AT PACIFIC ELEMENTARY HERE IN TOWN.

SHE'S ALWAYS BEEN MY BIGGEST SUPPORTER AND I OWE SO MUCH OF WHAT I ACCOMPLISHED IN MY LIFE, MY CAREER, HERE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT TO HER AND TO THESE THREE -- TO AMY, MARISSA, AND ELLA, I LOVE ALL OF YOU VERY MUCH.

I ALSO BELIEVE I HAVE FOUR OF MY SISTERS MAY BE WATCHING FROM AFAR.

WE'RE ALL IN CALIFORNIA BUT WE'RE SCATTERED OUT THROUGHOUT. OBVIOUSLY, THEY'VE BEEN WITH ME MY ENTIRE LIFE.

AND NOBODY COULD ASK FOR BETTER SIBLINGS THAT ME.

I'VE BEEN BLESSED WITH MY FOUR SISTERS FROM DAY ONE.

THEY TOO HAVE ALWAYS BE WITH ME AND FOR THAT I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH.

YOU KNOW, A COUPLE OF RECOGNITIONS.

BECAUSE IF IT WASN'T FOR THESE PEOPLE, NUMBER ONE, I WOULDN'T BE HIRED AND I WOULDN'T BE SITTING HERE TONIGHT.

FIRST OF ALL I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE FORMER CARPET RANDY LEAF, A SERGEANT AT THE TIME HELPED ME GET HIRED.

FORMER CHIEF MARTINS, HE TOOK A CHANCE ON ME.

BELIEVE ME WHEN I SAY THAT.

HE TOOK A CHANCE ON ME.

FORMER CHIEF EARN WHO PROMOTED ME TO SERGEANT, THE FORMER CHIEF WHO PROMOTED ME TO LIEUTENANT AND THEN PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN.

I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE FORMER CAPTAIN AND RETIRED CHIEF OF POLICE OUT OF THE CITY OF IRVINE DAVE.

HE TAUGHT ME EARLY ON, IN THE EARLY '90s, HE CALLED ME IN HIS OFFICE AN SHUT THE DOOR.

THAT'S NEVER A GOOD SIGN.

HE GAVE ME WORDS OF WISDOM THAT FROM THAT DAY ON I BELIEVED AND PASSED IT ON TO OTHER OFFICERS.

HE TOLD ME, NO MATTER HOW SMALL THAT CALL IS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO TREAT THAT CALL AS IT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT CALL YOU'RE GOING TO THAT DAY.

HE SAYS, SOMETIMES IT'S THE FIRST TIME THEY'RE CALLING A POLICE OFFICER AND YOU WANT TO LEAVE THEM WITH A GOOD IMPRESSION.

HOPEFULLY, I DID THAT AFTER THAT AND I PASSED IT ON.

HE ALSO TOLD ME AT THE SAME TIME, KNOWING AT THE TIME MY MOM WAS ALIVE AND I HAD MY SISTERS, HE SAID, YOU KNOW, TIM, WHEN YOU RESPOND TO A CALL, TREAT THOSE PEOPLE LIKE YOU WANT YOUR MOM OR SISTERS TO BE TREATED.

I TRIED TO DO THAT.

I FELT IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT THAT I RECOGNIZED DAVE BECAUSE HE MEANT A LOT AND HELPED ME OUT IN MY CAREER.

AND CHIEF ABELL FROM DAY ONE, ESPECIALLY AS OUR TIME AS A CAPTAIN AND HIS TIME AS A CHIEF WORKING WITH HIM, IT'S BEEN AN HONOR TO

WORK WITH YOU.

I CONSIDER CHIEF ABELL TRULY A TRUE FRIEND.

AND TO ALL OF THE POLICE OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY FOR WHICH I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING FOR 30 YEARS, TO ALL OF YOU I SAY THANK YOU. AND OVER MY CAREER I BELIEVE I OWE SO MUCH OF THAT TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

YOU NEED TO KNOW, THEY ARE DEDICATED, THEY ARE SELFLESS AND THEY ARE COURAGEOUS PROFESSIONALS.

THEY CHOSE A PROFESSION OF SACRIFICE.

THEY WORK WEEKENDS, MISSED ANNIVERSARIES, BIRTHDAYS, LITTLE LEAGUE GAMES, DANCE RECITALS AND FAMILY GATHERINGS.

THEY CHOSE A CAREER TO NEVER HESITATE TO RUN TOWARDS DANGER.

THEY DO IT IN A SECOND.

AND THEY CHOSE A CAREER TO SACRIFICE THEIR LIVES TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF A TOTAL STRANGER, REGARDLESS OF WHO THAT PERSON IS.

BASICALLY THEY CHOSE A CAREER TO SERVE OTHERS.

THERE ARE MANY THINGS THAT A MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE OFFICER EXPERIENCES OR DOES THAT THE PUBLIC -- YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT.

THEY SEE FIRSTHAND THE IMPACT OF VICTIMS OF CRIMES, SUCH AS A ROBBERY, A BURGLARY, A FRAUD INVESTIGATION, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT.

THEY SEEN DEVASTATING TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND EVEN SUICIDE.

THE PUBLIC IS UNAWARE OF A RECENT INCIDENT INVOLVING A MALE -- THIS HAPPENED THIS SUMMER, WHO WAS WALKING TOWARDS A POLICE OFFICER AND WHEN HE WAS WITHIN ABOUT EIGHT TO TEN FEET OF THAT OFFICER HE REACHED TO HIS BAG AND PULLED OUT A GUN.

TURNED OUT TO BE A PELLET GUN BUT WE LEARNED LATER IT WAS CAPABLE OF ACTUALLY FIRING A ROUND.

THE OFFICER CHOSE TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION BY WRESTLING THE GUN FROM THE SUBJECT AND ARRESTING HIM.

WE ALL SEE WHAT HAPPENS IN THE NEWS SOMETIMES.

BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THIS OFFICER AND ALL OF THE OFFICERS ARE SO WELL TRAINED.

THIS COULD HAVE BEEN A HORRIFIC INCIDENT.

BUT BECAUSE OF THE TRAINING AND QUICK ACTION THIS OFFICER BROUGHT THIS INDIVIDUAL INTO CUSTODY WITHOUT ANYBODY BEING INJURED AND RECOVERED A HANDGUN.

THE PUBLIC IS UNAWARE ON THOSE COLD NIGHTS, OFFICERS DRIVING AROUND HANDING OUT BLANKETS TO THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS.

AND, YOU KNOW, IT'S A SMALL TOWN OF MANHATTAN BEACH.

BUT THE PUBLIC IS UNAWARE OF THAT.

AS OF JANUARY TO PRESENT DAY OFFICERS HAVE RESPONDED -- THERE'S BEEN ACTUALLY, I'M SORRY, CALLS FOR SERVICE, 26,934 CALLS OF SERVICE.

THAT'S A LOT FOR A SMALL TOWN.

AND THIS IS ALL DIFFERENT TYPES OF INCIDENTS.

BUT WITH ALL OF THAT SAID, I REALLY -- IT WOULD MEAN A LOT, WHEN YOU SEE A POLICE OFFICER OR A PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER, YOU KNOW, SAY HELLO TO THEM.  
GIVE THEM A WAVE.  
EVEN SAY THANK YOU.  
BELIEVE ME, THAT GESTURE GOES A LONG, LONG WAY.  
I WAS FORTUNATE TO SERVE IN A COMMUNITY WITH OVERWHELMING SUPPORT AND FOR THAT I THANK ALL OF YOU.  
I HAD A FANTASTIC CAREER WITH THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH.  
THERE WERE SOME CHALLENGING BUT OVERALL I LOVED WORKING, SERVING THE DEPARTMENT AND THE STAFF AND THE COMMUNITY.  
AND I'LL LEAVE IT WITH THIS.  
TO ALL OF MY OLD TIME -- I CALL THEM MY OLD-TIME PARTNERS AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.  
JUST REMEMBER, DARFA, IT'S A GOOD THING.  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME TONIGHT.  
THANK YOU, CHIEF.  
>> THANK YOU, TIM.  
AND MAYOR STERN, I CAN'T KNOW IF YOU HAD ANY COMMENTS OR COUNCIL, BUT I LEAVE THE FLOOR TO YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, CHIEF.  
AND THANK YOU, CAPTAIN HAGEMAN.  
YOUR MODEL OF SERVICE, STARTING IN THE MILITARY, THEN THROUGH PUBLIC SAFETY AND ALL OF THAT TIME YOUR SERVICE IN THE ROTARY, YOU JUST EXEMPLIFY WHAT IT MEANS TO COMMIT YOURSELF TO A MODEL OF SERVICE THAT WE HAVE ALL BENEFITED FROM.  
IT WAS SUCH A LOVELY TRIBUTE THAT YOU GAVE TO YOUR FAMILY.  
YOU'VE CHOSEN WISELY TO SURROUND YOURSELF WITH WOMEN THAT WILL, YOU KNOW, GUIDE YOU AND LEAD YOU TO MAKING WONDERFUL CHOICES.  
AND YOU HAVE.  
WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR THEM FOR ALLOWING YOU TO SERVE US IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR ALL THESE 30 YEARS.  
I THOUGHT IT WAS SO SIGNIFICANT AND SUCH A TRIBUTE ACTUALLY TO YOU THAT YOU COULD, IN THIS TIME WHEN WE ARE HONORING YOU FOR THESE 30 YEARS, THAT YOU WOULD REACH OUT AND EXPLAIN JUST HOW MUCH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DOES FOR THIS COMMUNITY.  
AND BRINGING OUT JUST THE VALUE AND THE IMPORTANT SERVICE THAT EVERY ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SERVE IN MANHATTAN BEACH AS THEY ARE RISKING THEIR LIVES EVERY DAY TO BETTER OUR LIVES.  
SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.  
AND I WILL, AT THIS TIME, ASK IF ANY OF MY COLLEAGUES WOULD LIKE TO SAY ANYTHING.  
MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.  
>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: JUST QUICKLY.  
TIM IS A FELLOW LIFER HERE, LIFETIME RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH

LIKE MYSELF.  
AND, YOU KNOW, WE HAD THE PLEASURE OF DOING A RIDE ALONG TOGETHER  
WITH AN EASY READER REPORTER, GOING OVER ALL OF THE OLD HAUNTS  
AND AREAS THAT WE KNEW GROWING UP.  
WE HAD A LOT OF FUN.  
TURNED OUT TO BE A REALLY FUN ARTICLE TO READ.  
IT WAS JUST A PLEASURE SPENDING TIME.  
I WANT TO THANK HIM FOR ALL OF HIS SERVICE THESE 30 YEARS.  
HE'S LEAVING MANHATTAN BEACH EMPLOY BUT HE'S GOING TO BE INVOLVED  
IN THE COMMUNITY STILL.  
I KNOW THAT.  
ALL MY BEST TO YOU, TIM.  
THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE.  
IT'S MADE A DIFFERENCE HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY.  
IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO KNOW YOU AND I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING  
TO SEE YOU OUT AND ABOUT.  
>> I APPRECIATE IT.  
THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.  
>> Councilmember Montgomery: THE PRESIDENT OF ROTARY, NO MEAN  
FEAT BY ITSELF.  
TIM NEVER TAKES CREDIT FOR IT.  
HE GIVES CREDIT TO EVERYBODY BUT HIMSELF.  
CAN YOU IMAGINE BEING PRESIDENT OF ROTARY AND POLICE CAPTAIN  
DURING COVID AND TIM DID IT ALL WITH GRACE AND CLASS, NEVER  
COMPLAINS ABOUT ANYTHING.  
ROTARY IS PROUD OF YOU.  
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE LEAVING BUT NOT LEAVING.  
SEE YOU MONDAY AND WE'RE PROUD OF YOU.  
CONGRATULATIONS, MY FRIEND.  
>> THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.  
>> Councilmember Hadley: THANK YOU.  
I'M GETTING OLD AND SENTIMENTAL.  
YOU'VE BEEN ON THE FORCE FOR AS LONG AS I'VE LIVE IN MANHATTAN  
BEACH WHICH IS 25 YEARS.  
I CAN'T IMAGINE LIVING HERE NOT SEEING YOU IN UNIFORM OUT AND  
AROUND.  
A COUPLE OF PERSONAL CONNECTIONS I HAVE.  
I REALLY GOT TO KNOW YOU MORE THROUGH THE COMMUNITY POLICE  
ACADEMY, WHICH WAS COMPLETED, WRAPPED UP RIGHT BEFORE COVID HIT  
IN EARLY 2020.  
STILL ONE OF THE FUNNEST THINGS I'VE DONE AS A RESIDENT OR  
COUNCIL.  
POLICE COMMUNITY COUNCIL.  
ANOTHER ONE COMING IN.  
SECOND OF ALL, I ENJOYED WORKING WITH YOU CAPTAIN HAGEMAN IN THE

SUMMER OF 2020 AS WELL.  
SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.  
YOU'RE A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH.  
YOU'RE A DYNAMO ON ROTARY.  
I'M THRILLED YOU AND AMY LIVE IN TOWN.  
WE'LL KEEP SEEING YOU AROUND.  
WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVICE.  
THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THESE YEARS OF SERVICE TO MANHATTAN BEACH.  
>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.  
>> Councilmember Franklin: THANK YOU, MAYOR STERN.  
CONGRATULATIONS, TIM.  
I'M SURE OUR PATHS INTERSECTED EARLY ON IN MY CHILDREN'S LIVE  
HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH.  
AND I HAVE THE DISTINCT HONOR OF HAVING BOTH YOU AND CHIEF ABELL  
BEING INFLUENCES ON MY CHILDREN, PARTICULARLY ON THE FOOTBALL  
FIELD WITH CHIEF ABELL.  
AND I'M SURE YOU WITH MY KIDS ON THE STREETS.  
AND BUT WHAT'S REALLY AMAZING AND WHERE WE ALL BENEFIT IS THAT  
SOMEONE LIKE YOU, A TERRIFIC MENTOR TO THE OFFICERS THAT ARE HERE  
AND WORKING.  
AND THAT ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO SERVE.  
SO BECAUSE OF THAT GREAT INFLUENCE THAT YOU'VE HAD, YOU'RE STILL  
GOING TO BE SERVING ON THE FORCE HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH.  
AND I'M LOOKING OUT IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY IN THE CHAMBERS AND  
THERE'S A LOT OF RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSPEOPLE, AND THEY ALL  
BENEFIT FROM THE WORK THAT YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES HAVE DONE.  
I'M GOING TO BE BOLD ENOUGH TO SPEAK ON THEIR BEHALF AND THANK  
YOU SO MUCH AND TO WISH YOU GREAT LUCK AND CONTINUATION IN YOUR  
RETIREMENT OF HAVING FUN AND ENJOYING YOUR FAMILY AND STAYING  
HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH SO WE CAN SEE YOU.  
THANK YOU.  
>> YES, SIR.  
THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU ALL.  
THOSE WERE LOVELY WORDS.  
AND SO AS WE JUST WRAP UP THIS RECOGNITION OF CAPTAIN HAGEMAN, I  
JUST WANTED TO READ A LITTLE BIT FROM HIS CERTIFICATE.  
AND IT SAYS, WHEREAS CAPTAIN HAGEMAN IS PROUDLY REPRESENTED THE  
MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT BY WORKING A VARIETY OF  
ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDING PATROL, DARE, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS,  
DETECTIVE, FIELD TRAINING OFFICER, DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT,  
S.W.A.T., CRISIS NEGOTIATION TEAM, PERSONNEL AND TRAINING  
SERGEANT, ADMINISTRATIVE LIEUTENANT AND FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU  
CAPTAIN, THE CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZES CAPTAIN HAGEMAN FOR HIS  
OUTSTANDING JOB SUPPORTING THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH THROUGHOUT  
HIS 30-YEAR CAREERS.



AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, ON BEHALF OF ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, CITIZENS AND RESIDENTS, WE DO HEREBY COMMEND CAPTAIN TIM THINK HAGEMAN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

BEST OF LUCK TO YOU.

>> THANK YOU, MAYOR STERN, VERY MUCH.

MY HONOR AND I APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TONIGHT.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.

WELL THAT WAS LOVELY.

THANK YOU ALL FOR PARTICIPATING IN RECOGNIZING CAPTAIN HAGEMAN. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO THE NEXT ITEM ON THE CEREMONIAL CALENDAR.

IT BRINGS ME GREAT PLEASURE TO ASK GAVIN HOOVER TO COME ON DOWN AND WE ALSO HAVE ISABELLE CONNOR I BELIEVE IS JOINING US BY ZOOM.

>> HI, YES, I'M HERE.

>> Mayor Stern: HI, ISABELLE.

IS THAT WORKING?

WE SEE YOU OUT THERE.

GREAT.

ISABELLE, THANK YOU FOR JOINING US.

I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE GAVIN HOOVER.

GAVIN IS ONE OF OUR HOME-GROWN OLYMPIANS HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. HE WAS IN THE 2020 TOKYO OLYMPICS.

HE WAS A TRACK CYCLIST IN THE OLYMPICS.

AND WE ALSO HAVE ISABELLE CONNOR WHO IS ALSO KNOWN AS IZZY, JOINING US BY ZOOM.

IZZY WAS A RHYTHMIC GYMNAST ALSO IN THE 2020 TOKYO OLYMPICS.

I KNOW THAT THE OLYMPICS SEEM LIKE MAYBE IT WAS A LONG TIME AGO FOR YOU.

IT SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY THAT WE WERE JUST WATCHING AND ENJOYING SEEING YOU BOTH IN YOUR INCREDIBLE ATHLETIC PURSUITS.

BUT WE WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW HOW MUCH WE SUPPORTED YOU, IF IT WAS FROM AFAR.

WE WERE SO PROUD TO WATCH BOTH OF YOU.

WE'RE SO THRILLED THAT HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH WE HAVE WHAT IS JUST SUCH A SHOWING OF ATHLETICISM AND WE WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW HOW PROUD WE ARE OF YOU.

AND HOPEFULLY YOU CAN SHARE A LITTLE BIT OF THOSE EXPERIENCES.

I'M GOING TO ASK YOU, GAVIN, IF YOU CAN TELL US ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE OF THE OLYMPICS, WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO TRACK, CYCLING AND WHAT YOU -- KIND OF WHAT IT MEANT TO YOU TO BE IN THE OLYMPICS.

>> YEAH, THERE'S A LOT THERE.

IT WAS SPECIAL.

THERE'S AN INDOOR AREA UP THE ROAD.

YEAH, THE OLYMPICS, YOU KNOW, IT'S THE OLYMPICS.

HARD TO PUT IN WORDS.

I THINK OUR EXPERIENCE IS GREATLY REDUCED BECAUSE OF COVID BUT YOU DEFINITELY FEEL LIKE YOU'RE SOMETHING THAT'S CELEBRATING THE BETH IN ATHLETES AND ATHLETICISM AND BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER IN THE WORLD WHICH I THINK AFTER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF WAS REALLY NECESSARY.

AND GROWING UP HERE, YOU KNOW, IT'S JUST A NATURAL PROGRESSION OF DOING JUNIOR LIFEGUARDS AT THE BEACH AND PLAYING A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT SPORTS AND BEING IN A SYSTEM THAT ENCOURAGED THAT AND LET ME DO IT.

JUST KIND OF ONE THING LED TO ANOTHER AND I ENDED UP IN TOKYO.

[LAUGHTER]

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR SHARING THAT, GAVIN.

IZZY, DID YOU WANT TO TELL US HOW YOU GOT INTO RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS AND WHAT IT WENT TO BE AT THE OLYMPICS?

>> YEAH, DEFINITELY.

I STARTED OUT IN ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS WHEN I WAS YOUNG AND THEY HAD RHYTHMIC GOING ON ON THE OTHER SIDE OF MY GYM.

AND MY COACHES TOLD ME TO SWITCH TO RHYTHMIC BECAUSE IT JUST MATCHED LIKE MY BODY TYPE BETTER.

AND I TRAINED AT LOS ANGELES SCHOOL OF GYMNASTICS IN CULVER CITY. SO I WOULD DRIVE AFTER SCHOOL THERE AND SPEND THE REST OF MY DAY THERE.

AND, YEAH.

I STARTED COMPETING AND I STARTED, YOU KNOW, WINNING ALL OF THE STATE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND EVERYTHING.

AND IN 2017 I GOT ASKED TO JOIN THE GROUP NATIONAL TEAM, WHICH I WOULD SWITCH FROM INDIVIDUAL TO GROUP RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS.

AND I STARTED COMPETING INTERNATIONALLY WITH THEM.

THAT REQUIRED ME TO PARTIALLY MOVE TO CHICAGO SO I WOULD BE TRAINING THERE AND COME BACK TO MANHATTAN BEACH EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE, BECAUSE MY DAD WAS STILL HERE.

AND, YEAH, I STARTED COMPUTING IN WORLD CUPS AND GRAND PRIXS AND EVERYTHING, WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS.

AND THEN WE QUALIFIED IN 2019 BUT OFFICIALLY QUALIFIED ABOUT TWO MONTHS BEFORE THE ACTUAL 2021 OLYMPICS.

SO, BUT, YEAH.

WE HAD TO STAY IT OUT THROUGH COVID AND THEN WE FINALLY MADE IT TO TOKYO AND ENDED UP MAKING HISTORY THERE FOR THE U.S. AND WE ALSO MADE HISTORY AT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE HIGHEST FINISH IN THE TOP TEN.

YEAH, IT WAS DEFINITELY WORTH THE WAIT WITH COVID BECAUSE I HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO COMPARE IT TO.

IT WAS INCREDIBLE.

AND, YEAH, IT'S OPENED A LOT OF DOORS IN MY LIFE CONTINUING ON. IT WAS AMAZING TO HAVE GROWN UP IN SUCH A BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY THAT IS MANHATTAN BEACH AND I ATTENDED MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL.

I WAS NOT HOMESCHOOLED.  
I WENT TO ALL FOUR YEARS OF MY HIGH SCHOOL THERE, SO, YEAH.  
>> Mayor Stern: CONGRATULATIONS ON SUCH A GREAT SHOWING.  
DO EITHER OF YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR HOW OUR YOUNG ASPIRING  
ATHLETES CAN WORK HARD TO SOMEDAY MAKE IT TO THE OLYMPICS LIKE  
YOU DO?  
>> I THINK SOMETIMES THE FALLACY OF SPORT IS IT'S ALWAYS THE  
OLYMPICS, IT'S ALWAYS PERFORMANCE AND YOU SHOULD ALWAYS STRIVE TO  
REACH THE HIGHEST LEVEL.  
BUT FOR ME LIKE SPORT WAS ALWAYS A PLACE TO GO HANG OUT WITH MY  
FRIENDS AND HAVE COMMUNITY AND BE ACTIVE AND HAVE SOMETHING TO  
DO.  
AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, KIND OF PARADOXICALLY IF YOU WANT TO REACH  
THE TOP, HAVE THE WIDEST RANGE OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE LONGEST  
TIME.  
WHEN I DECIDE IT'S SOMETHING THEY WANT TO DO, THEY'LL FIGURE OUT  
HOW TO GET UP THERE.  
>> Mayor Stern: GREAT ADVICE.  
IZZY, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD TO THAT?  
>> YEAH, I DEFINITELY AGREE TO THAT IN MOST CASES BECAUSE YOU  
CAN'T FORCE ANYONE TO DO ANYTHING.  
AND, YOU KNOW, YOU NEED TO -- I THINK THE BEST WAY TO ACHIEVE  
SOMETHING IS BE INTRINSICALLY MOTIVATED AND NOT SO FOCUSED ON  
EXTERNAL GOALS AND ALSO BE VERY PREPARED TO MAKE SACRIFICES FOR  
THINGS THAT YOU LOVE IF THAT'S YOUR GOAL AND THAT'S WHERE YOU  
WANT TO GO.  
YOU NEED TO MAKE A LOT, A LOT, A LOT OF SACRIFICES.  
SO, YEAH.  
THAT'S WHAT I WOULD SAY.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR THAT.  
I CAN SEE THAT YOU'VE BOTH MADE GREAT SACRIFICES FOR YOUR GOALS.  
GAVIN, I KNOW THAT YOU MADE A SACRIFICE TO COME HERE.  
YOU JUST GOT OFF OF AN AIRPLANE AND YOU'RE PROBABLY STILL  
SUFFERING FROM JET LAG.  
I WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH FOR BEING HERE.  
WE HAVE A CERTIFICATE FOR BOTH OF YOU.  
IZZY, I'M SORRY WE COULDN'T SEE YOU IN PERSON BUT WE'RE SO  
GRATEFUL FOR YOU FOR ZOOMING IN.  
GAVIN, I'M GOING TO PRESENT YOU WITH A CERTIFICATE.  
CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH CONGRATULATES YOU ON YOUR TOKYO 2020  
OLYMPIAN TRACK CYCLE.  
THANK YOU.  
IZZY, WE WILL DO THE SAME FOR YOU.  
WE HAVE A CERTIFICATE THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING TO YOU AS  
WELL.  
THANK YOU BOTH FOR COMING.  
CONGRATULATIONS.

THANK YOU FOR BEING TWO JUST EXEMPLARY ATHLETES IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.

>> THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: NOW THAT WE'RE THROUGH WITH THE CEREMONIAL ITEMS AND FUN FOR THE EVENING, WE'RE MOVING TO E WHICH IS THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES. AND IF ANY OF OUR COUNCILMEMBERS HAVE AN ITEM THEY WOULD LIKE TO REMOVE FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR, THEY CAN DO THAT AT THIS TIME, OTHERWISE I'M GOING TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AND WAIVE THE FULL READING.

COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

>> Councilmember Franklin: YEAH, MADAM MAYOR, IF WE COULD PULL OFF ITEM NUMBER SEVEN, PLEASE.

JUST GOING TO BE A QUICK COMMENT ABOUT IT.

>> Mayor Stern: NEW SEVEN OR --

>> Councilmember Franklin: I'M WORKING FROM THE OLD ONE.

>> Mayor Stern: NEW SEVEN IS FINANCIAL REPORTS.

IS IT THE UPDATE ON THE HOMELESS INITIATIVES?

>> Councilmember Franklin: YES.

>> Mayor Stern: IT'S NUMBER EIGHT.

WE'LL HEAR THAT SEPARATE.

>> Councilmember Hadley: THAT WAS MY SAME ONE.

>> Mayor Stern: ANY OTHER REQUESTS TO PULL ANYTHING FROM THE CONSENT CALL HEN CAR?

CAN I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA?

>> Councilmember Hadley: SO MOVED.

>> Mayor Stern: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.

DO I HAVE A SECOND?

>> Councilmember Franklin: SECOND.

>> Mayor Stern: CAN WE HAVE A VOTE, PLEASE.

COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.

>> Councilmember Hadley: YES.

>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.

>> YES.

>> MAYOR STERN.

>> Mayor Stern: YES, COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.

>> Councilmember Montgomery: YES, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

>> Councilmember Franklin: YES.

>> Mayor Stern: ITEM F.

WE HAVE ONE MINUTE PER TERN TO MAKE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

DO WE HAVE ANYBODY WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT AT THIS TIME?

>> YES, MADAM MAYOR.

WE HAVE JOSH MURRAY.

>> GOOD EVENING.

I'M CALL ON BEHALF OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH LIBRARY.

THE BOOK CLUB WILL MEET VIRTUALLY AT 6:30 VIRTUALLY ON MONDAY, JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup> TO DISCUSS "INSIDE THE MINE OF AN AMERICAN FAMILY" TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VIRTUAL PROGRAM E-MAIL CMOORE@LIBRARY.LACOUNTY.GOV.

COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SIGN UP FOR OUR PROGRAMS, WORK READY CAREER AT VICE FOR RECENT GRABS ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28<sup>th</sup>, 11 A.M., LACOUNTYLIBRARY.ORG AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, JOSH, FOR THAT ANNOUNCEMENT. DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS?

>> MADAM MAYOR --

>> Mayor Stern: YES, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

>> Councilmember Franklin: LAST WEEK ON FRIDAY I HAD THE HONOR TO REPRESENT THE CITY COUNCIL AT THE JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE PRELAUNCH CELEBRATION IN REDONDO BEACH. THIS IS AN AMAZING PROJECT.

THE JAMES WEBB TELESCOPE LAUNCHES INTO SPACE DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>. AN EXTRA CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR ALL OF US SPACE FANS. IT WILL FLY OVER ONE MILLION MILES FROM EARTH, 10,000 TIMES FURTHER AWAY FROM EARTH THAN THE HUBBLE TELESCOPE AT A MERE 375 MILES.

IT'S SEVEN TIMES LARGER AND 100 TIMES MORE POWERFUL THAN THE HUBBLE TELESCOPE, ABLE TO LOOK BILLIONS AND BILLIONS -- I ALWAYS WANTED TO SAY THAT -- BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF YEARS BACK IN TIME.

THE PROJECT IS ALMOST 20 YEARS IN THE MAKING AND TOOK 100 MILLION MANHOURS, MOST OF THEM AT THE FACILITY DIRECTLY EAST OF US. I WANT TO CONGRATULATE ALL OF THE EMPLOYEES WHO WORKED ON THIS PROJECT AND GIVE A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO OUR MANHATTAN BEACH NEIGHBORS WHO PROVIDED THAT TIME, TALENT AND EXPERTISE ON THIS WORTHY PROJECT.

WELL DONE AND GOOD LUCK WITH THE LAUNCH.

>> YOUR HONOR --

>> SO THIS IS THE LOGO YOU MIGHT SEE AROUND. THIS IS THEIR LOGO.

AND IT DEMONSTRATES OR ILLUSTRATES ALL OF THE DIFFERENT SOLAR PANELS THAT ARE NEEDED TO POWER THIS.

ONCE IT UNFOLDS AT THE END OF ITS JOURNEY.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

ANY OTHER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.

>> Councilmember Montgomery: I HAVE THREE IN A ROW.

THE HOLIDAY FIREWORKS -- WE'RE ALL HAPPY TO SEE FIREWORK AGAIN. I CAN TELL YOU.

A BIG SHOUT OUT TO SKECHERS AND CHEVRON, THE SPONSORS THAT MADE IT HAPPEN.

PETE AND HIS CREW, PARKS AND REC, PD, FIRE, PUBLIC WORKS, WITHOUT

THEM IT COULDN'T HAPPEN.  
WE'RE GLAD IT'S BACK.  
EVERYBODY ENJOYED THE EXTRA EXTENDED FINALE WE HAD THIS YEAR.  
TOY DRIVE, THE 33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL TOY DRIVE.  
MANHATTAN BEACH LED THE WAY WITH TOYS.  
WE COULDN'T WRAP THIS YEAR.  
WE HAD A VIRTUAL WRAPPING PARTY, TOYS ASSEMBLED TODAY AND  
TOMORROW, GETTING DELIVERED.  
BIG SHOUT OUT TO ALDI FOR MAKING IT HAPPEN.  
AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN HOST A TOY DRIVE NEXT YEAR.  
THAT'S ALL.  
THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
ANY OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS?  
OKAY.  
WE WILL MOVE ON TO PUBLIC COMMENTS ITEM G.  
AND SPEAKERS HAVE -- MAY PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER  
THAT IS WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE CITY AND  
YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES PER PERSON.  
DO WE HAVE ANYONE THAT HAS REQUESTED TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AT  
THIS TIME?  
>> YES, MADAM MAYOR.  
FIRST FOR THE RECORD, THE COMMENTS RECEIVED BY THE CITY CLERK'S  
OFFICE FOR AGENDA ITEM, 312 E-MAILS, AGENDA ITEM 10, ONE  
E-COMMENT, AGENDA ITEM 14, EVICTION MORATORIUM, ONE E-MAIL, OTHER  
ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA, ONE E-COMMENT AND E-MAIL AND ALL OF  
THESE COMMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC ONLINE.  
WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO START WITH ZOOM PUBLIC COMMENTS OR CHAMBERS  
PUBLIC COMMENTS?  
>> Mayor Stern: YOU CAN START WITH ZOOM.  
THANK YOU.  
>> WE FIRST HAVE NINA TARNAY.  
>> THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME SPEAK TODAY.  
I AM -- I WANTED TO FIRST START WITH SAYING THANK YOU TO CAPTAIN  
HAGEMAN AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON HIS RETIREMENT.  
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE.  
REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU AND YOUR FELLOW OFFICERS DO TO  
PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY.  
AND I ALSO WANTED TO MOVE ON TO PUBLIC DINING, OUTDOOR DINING.  
I AM CALLING TO URGE COUNCIL TO PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT  
OUTDOOR DINING.  
WE'VE SEEN OUR RESTAURANT OWNER, THE BUSINESSES RALLY THIS TIME  
LAST YEAR TO SUPPORT OTHER BUSINESSES, LOCAL HOSPITALS AND OTHER  
AGENCIES THAT WERE SHUT DOWN.  
AND I WOULD LOVE TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THEM IN RETURN AND  
ESPECIALLY DURING THIS TIME WHEN OMICRON IS SURGING AND WE'RE  
STILL IN WHAT MAY BE A PRETTY DIRE STATE OF THE PANDEMIC STILL

THAT I HOPE WE CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT SAFE OUTDOOR DINING AND YOU KEEP THIS PLAN UNTIL WE HAVE SOMETHING IN PLACE FOR PERMANENT DINING.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, NINA FOR OUR COMMENT.

OUR NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS ELYSE GURA.

>> THIS IS A CALL TO CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE ROLL MODELS FOR CIVILITY AND DISCOURSE.

AT THE DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> CITY COUNCIL MEETING, COUNCILMEMBERS HADLEY, FRANKLIN AND MONTGOMERY RECOMMENDED REMOVING THE RECOGNITION RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CEREMONIAL CALENDAR.

THE RECIPIENTS WOULD NO LONGER RECEIVE WELL-DESERVED PUBLIC REACTION FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION AND OUTREACH.

WHAT RESONATED WITH ME IS THIS.

IN THIS SEASON OF CELEBRATIONS, COUNCILMEMBERS ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT SPENDING MEETING TIME HONORING PEOPLE WHO DEMONSTRATE THAT WE ARE A CARING COMMUNITY AND THERE IS MORE THAT UNITES US THAT DIVIDES US.

I CANNOT IMAGINE THE MOTIVATION FOR THIS RECOMMENDATION.

MINOR PROCEDURAL CONSIDERATION CANNOT OVERRULE THE OVERWHELMING GOOD OF THESE HEART LIFTING FEW MINUTES.

THESE ACTS OF KINDNESS IS SOMETHING WE CAN AGREE ON AND BE GRATEFUL FOR.

OTHER DISTURBING EVENTS DURING THAT MEETING AND AT A SCHOOL BOARD MEETING [INDISCERNIBLE] OUR CITY COUNCILS TONIGHT.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MANHATTAN BEACH'S WELL-BEING, GROWTH, SAFETY AND FINANCIAL INTEGRITY.

BUT THE MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL RULES OF DECORUM GUIDE YOU TO A HIGHER RESPONSIBILITY.

THOSE RULES ASK THAT YOU PROMOTE MUTUAL RESPECT AND CIVILITY.

THOSE RULES GIVE YOU THE INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO DEMONSTRATE THROUGH OUR OWN BEHAVIOR, THROUGH HOW YOU SPEAK TO EACH OTHER, EACH OF THE WORDS YOU CHOOSE, HOW RESIDENTS WILL REACT AND DISCUSS THEIR OWN ISSUES.

YOU ARE POWERFUL ROLE MODELS.

IF YOU CHOOSE TO FOR CIVILITY AND FOR MUTUAL RESPECT, PLEASE BE LESS CONCERNED WITH DRAWING BATTLE LINES AND MORE CONCERNED WITH FINDING COMMON GROUND.

I ASK YOU PLEASE TO RISE TO THIS OPPORTUNITY.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, ELYSE FOR YOUR COMMUNITIES.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS KAPIL SINGH.

>> HELLO.

I WANT TO CONGRATULATE TIM HAGEMAN, A REALLY TRUE ROLE MODEL AND

A GREAT HUMAN BEING.

I WANT TO QUICKLY TALK ABOUT THE PUBLIC DINING ROLLBACK THAT'S BEING CONSIDERED AND I THINK IT'S UNSAFE, IT'S SHORT-SIGHTED. IT WILL DRIVE US TO OTHER TOWNS.

WE SHOULD KEEP OUTDOOR DINING ALIVE JUST LIKE MANY OF US ARE KEEPING HYBRID WORK ALIVE.

IT'S THE SAFER WAY TO GO.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. OUR NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS SANDESHA SINGH.

>> I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE OUTDOOR DINING AND I THINK YOU SHOULDN'T CLOSE OUTDOOR SEATING.

I DON'T THINK EVERYONE SHOULD --

>> SHOULD BE IN SIGNED.

>> -- BE INSIDE WITH ALL OF THE COVID NUMBERS GOING UP.

THAT MAKES IT HARD TO EAT LOCAL.

SO I REALLY THINK YOU SHOULD --

>> RECONSIDER.

>> -- RECONSIDER OUTDOOR SEATING.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR MAKING YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT. AND OUR NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS SUZANNE LERNER.

>> HI, EVERYBODY.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO CITY COUNCIL AND CITY STAFF, EVERYBODY THAT'S THERE.

I'LL PUT MY VIDEO ON.

OH, OKAY.

NO VIDEO FOR ME.

AS A MEMBER OF THE DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS GROUP WE WERE HAPPY TO BE ON BOARD WITH THE CITY CREATING TEMPORARY OUTDOOR DINING SPACES FOR RESTAURANTS.

WE ALL WANT YOUR RESTAURANTS TO SURVIVE.

YOU APPROVED THE STUDY TO LOOK INTO PERMANENT OUTDOOR DINING.

YOU INSTRUCTED THE STAFF TO START THE PROCESS.

I CANNOT BELIEVE I'M SEEING POSTERS AROUND TOWN SAYING THAT THE COUNCIL HAD QUOTE UNQUOTE NO PLAN REGARDING OUTDOOR DINING.

ARE THEY TRYING TO GET THE RESIDENTS OF CITY COUNCIL?

YOU HAVE DONE SO MUCH.

I REMINDED EVERYBODY, WE'RE INVOLVED WITH THE DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN A FEW YEARS BACK, TOOK LENGTHY STUDIES, MAPPING, REPORTS, INPUT FROM RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES, WELL OVER TWO YEARS AND IN THE END THE COASTAL COMMISSION TURNED IT DOWN.

IN ORDER FOR STAFF TO DO THEIR JOB TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF PERMANENT OUTDOOR DINING, HERE ARE THE TOPICS THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED.



ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY THAT HAS TO BE DONE FROM A BASELINE, COASTAL COMMISSION REVIEW AND APPROVAL, INPUT FROM BUSINESSES, RESIDENTS, INPUT FROM DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS, DENSITY, TRAFFIC, PEDESTRIAN, CARS, BIKE STUDIES, THE VARIOUS DESIGN TO CHOOSE FROM, REVIEW AND DECISIONS WHICH TAKE MORE MONTHS. PLUS WHO DECIDES IN THE END WHO GETS THIS PUBLIC SPACE. DOES IT REMAIN PUBLIC PROPERTY OR IS GRANDFATHERED INTO THE OWNERSHIP OF THE BUILDING. WHO GETS THE BENEFIT OF THE SPACES AND WHO LOSES OUT? THE POSTER STATES BLISSFUL OUTDOOR DINING. BEFORE COVID WE WERE BLISSFUL INDOORS. WALKING OUT OF MANHATTAN MEATS I WAS HARASS DOLLARS AND BULLIED BY BAR PATRONS JUST TO SAY EXCUSE ME SO I CAN GET BY. I KNOW LOCALS AVOIDING SHOPPING DOWNTOWN ALL TOGETHER. WE'RE NOT A DA COMPLIANT AND THAT'S OKAY BECAUSE THAT'S THE WAY IT'S BEEN AND THE CITY TURNS THEIR HEADS AND DOES IN ABOUT IT. THIS ABLEISM IS UNBECOMING TO THIS TOWN. ESPECIALLY WITH THE LONG-TERM SUPPORT FROM SKECHERS FOUNDATION. THE RESTAURANT OWNERS PLEASE AND EVERYBODY JUST NEED TO CALM DOWN. EVERYONE NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND THIS IS A LONG-TERM PROCESS AND LET THE CITY COUNCIL AND STAFF DO THEIR JOBS. THIS IS HOW DEMOCRACY WORKS. THANK YOU AND EVERYBODY HAVE A GREAT NIGHT AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS. >> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, SUZANNE, FOR YOUR COMMENTS. NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT. >> NEXT IS ADAM. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COUNCIL. ADAM GOLDBERG HERE, 26-YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH. LOVE THIS TOWN. STARTED MY BUSINESS HERE. YOU MAY KNOW FRESH BROTHERS. MY WIFE AND I HAVE FRESH BROTHERS AS WELL AS CURRENTLY THE CEO AND PARTNER OF ROCKIN' BREWS, OUR NATIONAL CHAIN ACROSS THE COUNTRY WITH OVER 22 RESTAURANTS. FIRST, I WANT TO THANK CITY COUNCIL. YOU GUYS HAVE DONE AN AMAZING JOB OVER THE MOST DIFFICULT TIME IN ANY HISTORY REALLY. WE FEEL THE SAME WAY IN THE RESTAURANT INDUSTRY. I AM NOT AN OWNER OF ANY RESTAURANTS IN MANHATTAN BEACH OTHER THAN FRESH BROTHERS. BUT CERTAINLY SUPPORT THE OUTDOOR DINING THAT IS CURRENTLY ESTABLISHED AND THINK THAT BOTH SIDES OF THE TABLE HAVE DONE A VERY GOOD JOB WITH MANY COMPROMISES THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS TO SATISFY OUR RESIDENTS, ME BEING ONE OF THEM, AND MANY PEOPLE THAT LIVE AROUND THE DOWNTOWN AREA. THIS IS AN INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TIME MAINLY BECAUSE OF THE

UNKNOWN.

AND WE HAVE FACED AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF UNKNOWN OVER THE LAST -- JUST THE LAST TWO DAYS ACTUALLY WITH THE OMICRON VIRUS TAKING OVER THE COUNTRY.

I THOUGHT TODAY, WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED A YEAR AND A HALF AGO IF THERE WAS NO DELTA VIRUS AND THE ORIGINAL VIRUS BUT IT WAS OMICRON WHEN WE SEE HOW FAST THIS IS SPREADING.

IT'S AMAZING.

I'LL SHARE MY QUICK PERSONAL STORY.

AS A RESTAURANT OWNER ONE OF OUR RESTAURANT IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CURRENTLY -- WE CURRENTLY HAVE OVER 26 CASES OF COVID THAT POPPED UP SINCE LAST MONDAY.

IN ONE WEEK, 26 CASES.

WE DID SEE THAT IN ALL OF 2020.

I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT WE CHOSE, AS RESTAURANT OWNERS, TO CLOSE THAT RESTAURANT DOWN.

IT'S NO LONGER OPEN UNTIL AT LEAST NEXT MONDAY.

WE GAVE ALL OF OUR EMPLOYEES PAID TIME OFF THIS WEEK TO SEE WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH THIS VIRUS AND HOW ARE WE GOING TO DEAL WITH IT.

I'M PROUD TO SAY MOST OF THOSE WHO GOT COVID ARE DOING GREAT.

THEY HAD A DAY AND A HALF OF ILLNESS AND HAVE ON THE RECOVERY.

BUT MY POINT IS, LET'S NOT MAKE A QUICK DECISION HERE ON WHAT WE DO WITH THIS OUTDOOR DINING BECAUSE WE HAVE SEEN IN THE PAST L.A. COUNTY COMES IN STRONGER THAN ANY COUNTY IN THE COUNTRY AND MAKES DECISIONS TO EITHER SHUT US DOWN, SPREAD OUT TABLES, GO TO SMALL PERCENTAGES AND SO ON.

MANHATTAN BEACH WAS ONE OF THE FIRST IN THE COUNTRY TO PUT OUTDOOR PARKLETS.

LET'S NOT BE THE FIRST IN THE COUNTRY TO TAKE AWAY THE PARKLETS. COUNCIL THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR LISTENING AND REALLY APPRECIATE YOU CONSIDERING EXTENDING OUT THESE PERMITS.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, ADAM, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS ALLEN KIRSCHENBAUM.

>> ANY AND ALL QUOTES I CONTRIBUTE TONIGHT CAN BE CONFIRMED WITH THE BOARD MINUTES.

SUZANNE HADLEY AS A CITIZEN APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD AND HER COMMENTS INCLUDED THAT HER TRUST IS SHAKEN IN OUR SCHOOL BOARD. SHE EXPLAINED THAT HER SHAKEN TRUST IS DUE TO A BOOK LINKED TO THE LIBRARY.

AGAIN, SHE WAS OBJECTING TO A BOOK THAT WAS RECOGNIZED BY A LIST THAT WAS LINKED TO THE MIRA COASTA LIBRARY.

SHE OBJECTED BECAUSE THE STUDENTS ARE MINOR, IT IS THE AN ADULT BOOK, NOT A GOOD BOOK OR WELL-WRITTEN.

SHE COUNTED 50 OBSCENITIES IN THE FIRST 37 PAGES.

MS. HADLEY NOT ONLY CALLED FOR THE BOOK TO BE BANNED BUT ALSO SAID A BETTER IDEA WOULD BE FOR OUR BOARD TO NOT ALLOW LINKS TO BOOKS

WITH THE C WORD IN THEM.  
THE C WORD ALONE SHOULD BE DISQUALIFIED FOR OUR CHILDREN.  
MS. HADLEY WANTS THE RIGHT TO SENSOR THE MATERIAL IN THE LIBRARY.  
IN MY OPPOSITION TO CENSORSHIP, LET'S FOCUS ON THE BASICS.  
THE LIST IS THE ALEX AWARD SPONSORED BY THE DIVISION OF THE  
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.  
OTHERS LISTED HAVE INCLUDED "THE NICKEL BOYS," "SEARCY."  
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TEND TO BE BETWEEN 13 AND 17 AND CONSIDERED  
MINORS.  
THIS IS THE TIME IN THEIR LIVES TO READ ADULT FICTION AND  
NONFICTION SO THEY CAN DISCUSS THE IDEA SAFELY WITH THEIR PARENTS  
AND TEACHERS.  
PART OF HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION IS LEARN HOW TO EXAMINE BOOKS AND  
DISCUSS PERSPECTIVES ON NONFICTION AND FICTION.  
AUTHORS USE THE C WORD IN THEIR LITERATURE.  
MS. HADLEY'S OBJECTION TO THE PARTICULAR BOOK IS INTERESTING  
BECAUSE THE BOOK WAS ON THE 2019 LIST, NOT ON THE 2021 LIST.  
HER OBJECTION MAY BE TIDED TO RECENT CULTURE WARS IN TEXAS WHERE  
THE BOOK BECAME CONTROVERSIAL IN SEPTEMBER 2021.  
AT ANY RATE, THE SUPREME COURT RULED MANY TIMES AGAINST  
GOVERNMENT BODIES INCLUDING SCHOOL BOARD EXERCISING CENSORSHIP IN  
LIBRARIES.  
MS. HADLEY'S MOTIVES SHOULD BE QUESTIONED.  
THE MOTION OF NO CONFIDENCE BE REQUESTED AS SHE PREVIOUSLY DID  
WHEN ELECTED OFFICIALS DID NOT MEET HER STANDARDS.  
TWO, IN DEMANDING CENSORSHIP OF THIS BOOK AND ANY BOOK WITH THE C  
WORD, IS THE COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY BEING OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN  
BEACH BE SUED BY THE ACLU.  
I URGE YOU TO BE AWARE OF MS. HADLEY'S ADVOCATING FOR CENSORSHIP  
AND DO NOT SUPPORT IT.  
THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, ALLEN, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.  
NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.  
>> NEXT IS HANNAH LAW.  
IF I CAN HAVE HANNAH LAW ACCEPT THE AUDIO PROMPT.  
THANK YOU.  
>> I AM A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH.  
I LIVE HERE WITH MY HUSBAND AND OUR YOUNG CHILD.  
WE HAVE REALLY ENJOYED THE COMMUNITY SPIRIT THAT THE OUTDOOR  
DINING HAS BROUGHT OVER THE PAST, YOU KNOW, YEAR OR MORE NOW.  
IT'S REALLY BEEN A GREAT WAY FOR US TO SUPPORT THE LOCAL  
BUSINESSES DURING THE TIME, WHICH IS ESSENTIAL FOR THEIR  
LIVELIHOOD.  
THE OUTDOOR DINING WAS TAKEN AWAY, I WOULDN'T FEEL COMFORTABLE  
EATING OUT LOCALLY SO MUCH AND THAT WOULD CERTAINLY BE A GREAT  
DETRIMENT TO SOME OF THOSE RESTAURANTS.  
I URGE THE COUNCILMEMBERS TO RECONSIDER THEIR PLANS AND MAKE SURE

HAS WE MAINTAIN THE OUTDOOR DINING AT LEAST WHILE SOME OF THE LONGER-TERM PLANNING ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT WE KEEP IT IS MAINTAINED, ESPECIALLY WITH THE OMICRON BREAKOUT THAT'S UNDER WAY.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, HANNAH, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS DON McPHERSON.

>> REPRESENTING COASTING DEFENDER.

DIRECTOR TAI E-MAILED ME SHE APPROVED 26 ENCROACHMENT PERMITS IN THE DOWNTOWN AND NORTH END THAT HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP TO THE CITY COVID EMERGENCY ORDERS.

SOME OF THESE PERMITS APPLY TO THE 10<sup>th</sup> STREET AND 35<sup>th</sup> STREET STREETS ON WHICH THE MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITS COMMERCIAL USE. YESTERDAY I FILED SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE SIDEWALK ENCROACHMENTS VIOLATE THE AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT, CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE, PENAL CODE SECTION 370 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND THE COASTAL ACT.

NOTHING IN THE RECORD DISCLOSES THAT DIRECTOR TAI BASED HER APPROVALS OF THE 26 SIDEWALK ENCROACHMENT PERMITS ON THE ABOVE REGULATION REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 2347 THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

PERHAPS THE MOST EGREGIOUS OF HER APPROVALS RELATE TO SIDEWALK ENCROACHMENTS ON MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD WHICH HAS A STEEP SLOPE THAT EXCEEDS THE BUILDING CODE STANDARDS FOR DISABLED PEOPLE.

DIRECTOR TAI KNOWS THAT.

LAST FEBRUARY IN THE DISASTROUS CLOSURE OF MANHATTAN BEACH, THEY EXCLUDED MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD FROM THEIR EXPERIMENT ON STREET CLOSURES BECAUSE OF ITS STEEP SLOPE.

THE COUNCIL MUST DIRECT DIRECTOR TAI TO REVOKE HER APPROVALS OF THE 26 ENCROACHMENT PERMITS WHICH VIOLATE MANY LAWS.

FAILURE TO REVOKE THE PERMITS WILL CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF PENAL CODE SECTION 270, A CRIME THAT COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS PENALTIES FOR COUNCILMEMBERS, CITY OFFICIALS AND PERMITTEES. THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS ANDREW GOLDSTEIN.

>> MY NAME IS ANDREW GOLDSTEIN, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH.

I WANTED TO COMMENT TONIGHT IN FAVOR OF EXTENDING THE OUTDOOR DINING.

AS MULTIPLE MEMBERS HAVE SAID, ISN'T THE JOB OF ELECTED OFFICIALS TO CREATE WINNERS AND LOSERS USING THE LAWS.

UNFORTUNATELY TAKING OUT THE OUTDOOR DINING SO FAR IN ADVANCE FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES NEXT TO US, THIS CREATES DISADVANTAGES FOR THE BUSINESSES IN OUR TOWN.

MANY PATRONS SIMPLY WON'T DINE INDOORS.  
THIS COULD LEAD TO RESTAURANTS STRUGGLING FROM THE PANDEMIC  
CLOSED.

AS A LANDLORD WHO UNDERSTANDS THE TREMENDOUS ECONOMIC PLIGHT  
RESTAURANTS HAVE GONE THROUGH, I JUST DON'T THINK THIS IS THE  
PRECEDENT THAT WE WANT TO SET AS A CITY.

I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T MENTION THAT MANHATTAN BEACH WAS  
GIVEN \$8.4 MILLION OF COVID RELIEF TO AID OUR TOWN IN SUPPORTING  
BUSINESSES THAT NEED HELP.

MANY HAVE LISTED THE OVERALL LOSS OF 1.3 MILLION IN THE ANNUAL  
BUSINESS, BUT DON'T CALCULATE THE ADDITIONAL SALES TAX THAT THE  
CITY IS GETTING FROM THE OUTDOOR DINING.

UNFORTUNATELY, WE'RE STILL IN THE PANDEMIC WITH CASES RISES  
AROUND THE COUNTY AND THE COUNTRY.

I THINK IT IS IRRESPONSIBLE TO BE PULLING THE PLUG ON ONE OF THE  
BEST ECONOMIC TOOLS WE'VE IMPLEMENTED TO HELP BUSINESSES SURVIVE  
THIS TIME.

I WOULD HIGHLY ENCOURAGE THE CITY COUNCIL TO RETHINK THEIR  
DECISION ABOUT ENDING OUTDOOR DINING IN JANUARY.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, ANDREW, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS STEPHANIE STEHLING.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

I APPRECIATE YOU ALLOWS ME TO OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU  
TONIGHT.

I WANTED TO ATTEND IN PERSON BUT I'M AT HOME UNDER QUARANTINE  
AFTER TESTING POSITIVE FOR COVID A FEW DAYS AGO.

I DID EVERYTHING RIGHT.

I'M VACCINATED.

I GOT BOOSTED.

I MASK, SOCIALLY DISTANCE AND I WORK FOR A COMPANY IN MANHATTAN  
BEACH, A RESTAURANT THAT FOLLOWS PROTOCOLS.

THEY VALUE PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE HEALTH OF THEIR EMPLOYEES.

I DID NOT CONTRACT IT AT WORK.

I CONTRACTED IT WHILE KINDING OUT INDOORS AT A RESTAURANT THAT  
DID NOT OFFER OUTDOOR DINING.

AND I FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO LEAD WITH THAT AS IT HAS ALTERED  
WHAT I INTEND TO SAY TONIGHT.

AS A RESTAURANT WORKER IN MANHATTAN BEACH, I FEEL STRONGLY OF  
CONTINUING OUTDOOR DINING FOR A MYRIAD OF REASONS.

I'VE BEEN FORTUNATE TO WORK IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR THE LAST SEVEN  
YEARS, INCLUDING THROUGH THE UNPRESNIDENTED PERIOD OF THE  
PANDEMIC THAT IS STILL VERY MUCH WITH US TODAY.

I'M HERE TO IMPLORE THE MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL TO PLEASE  
EXTEND OUTDOOR DINING WITHOUT DELAY, MOST IMPORTANTLY FOR THE  
PURPOSES OF OFFSETTING THE ONGOING HEALTH CRISIS BUT ALSO FOR THE

LONG-TERM BENEFIT OF THE RESTAURANTS AND THE COMMUNITY.  
PEOPLE LOVE OUTDOOR DINING.  
IT'S BEAUTIFUL.  
IT FEELS LIKE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND IT'S WHAT COMMISSIONERS  
WANT.  
THE PANDEMIC ISN'T GOING ANYWHERE AS MUCH AS WE ALL WOULD LIKE IT  
TO.  
THE MOVE TO INDOOR DINING NOW IS AN ABSOLUTE DISASTER WAITING TO  
HAPPEN.  
I'M PROOF OF THAT.  
OWE THAN GOING OUT TO BRUNCH LAST SUNDAY AT A RESTAURANT THAT DID  
NOT OFFER OUTDOOR DINING, THE ONLY OTHER TIME I'VE EVER BEEN  
MASKLESS WAS AT HOME.  
I NEVER BELIEVE FULL CAPACITY DINING IS GOOD.  
YOU HAVE PEOPLE SITTING EATING, DRINKING, LIVELY, ENJOYING  
THEMSELVES AS THEY SHOULD.  
BUT YOU CAN'T GUARANTEE IT'S SAFE.  
IMAGINE THE IMPACT UPON BUSINESSES IN THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE IF  
OUTDOOR DINING ENDS LEAVING FULL CAPACITY INDOOR DINING THE ONLY  
OPTION FOR RESTAURANTS AND THEREBY THEIR EMPLOYEES TO SURVIVE  
THROUGH WHAT WE NOW KNOW IS TO BE A MASSIVE SPIKE IN COVID.  
HAVING WORKED IN THIS COMMUNITY FOR AS LONG AS I HAVE, I'VE  
GOTTEN TO KNOW SO MANY WHO LIVE HERE AND LEARN ABOUT THOSE WHO  
DISCOVERED US DURING SHUTDOWN WHEN TAKEOUT WAS THE ONLY OPTION.  
I CAN TELL YOU TODAY WITHOUT QUESTION, THERE ISN'T A SHIFT I  
WORKED WHERE THERE HAVEN'T BEEN MULTIPLE GUESTS OPINING ON, THE  
OUTDOOR DINING, HOW MUCH THEY ENJOY IT AND FOR SOME HOW THEY  
DON'T WANT TO DINE INDOORS AGAIN BECAUSE THEY'RE AFRAID.  
THEY LOVED SOMETHING THEY DIDN'T KNOW THEY WERE MISSING.  
THERE ARE SOME AMONG US, EVEN CITY LEADERSHIP HAVE SAID THE SAME  
THING TO ME WHILE I SERVE THEM ON OUR DECK.  
>> THANK YOU, STEPHANIE, FOR YOUR PUBLIC COMMENT.  
NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.  
>> NEXT IS RIO.  
>> HELLO, EVERYONE.  
THANK CITY COUNCIL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK.  
I REALLY ASK THEM TO CONSIDER EXTENDING OUTDOOR DINING GIVEN THE  
STATE OF THE OMICRON VARIANT ACROSS NOT JUST THE CITY OF L.A.,  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA BUT ACROSS THE WORLD.  
I MEAN LAST WEEK WE'VE SEEN AN INCREASE OF CASES WITHIN THE UK,  
THE HIGHEST THEY'VE EVER SEEN SINCE THE START OF THE PANDEMIC.  
IN SITUATIONS, EVEN IN NEW YORK THINGS ARE GETTING DIRE.  
I'M SURE YOU CAN RELATE TO MAYOR ELECT ERIC ADAMS WHO WILL BE  
CANCELING HIS INAUGURATION DUE TO THE SPIKE IN CASES.  
NOT JUST ECHOING THE DIFFERENT ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS  
THAT MY NEIGHBORS HAVE BEEN RAISING TO YOU, I REALLY BELIEVE THIS  
IS AN IMPORTANT ECONOMIC DRIVER, A COMMUNITY BUILDER AND A WAY TO

KEEP RESIDENTS SAFE, HEALTHY AND HAVE A SENSE OF NORMALCY IN A REALLY DIFFICULT TIME DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, RIO, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS BILL MATTHEWS.

>> GOOD EVENING, COUNCIL.

THANK YOU, EVERYBODY, WHO IS PARTICIPATING TONIGHT.

FIRST OF ALL I WANT TO ECHO WHAT A LOT OF OUR SPEAKERS HAVE ALREADY ADDRESSED, THAT WE ARE ASKING THAT THE OUTDOOR DINING BE CONTINUED.

SAFETY I THINK IS OUR NUMBER ONE CONCERN FOR EVERYBODY.

I AM THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR THE [INDISCERNIBLE] GROUP.

I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ALL OF OUR STAFF MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS, AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC.

IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

OUTDOOR DINING IS THE SAFEST WAY TO DO IT AND PUSHING PEOPLE BACK INDOORS AT THIS TIME IS NOT THE RIGHT IDEA.

AND SO THANK YOU, EVERYBODY, WHO IS SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THIS.

FOR ME IT'S ALL ABOUT SAFETY OF MY STAFF, SAFETY OF OUR GUESTS.

THEY'RE OUR NEIGHBORS.

THEY'RE OUR CHILDREN.

THEY'RE OUR PARENTS.

AND WE NEED TO TAKE ALL OF THAT INTO CONSIDERATION.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, BILL, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS RAUL DWAN.

>> HI, EVERYONE.

FIRST I WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO JOE FRANKLIN, MAYOR STERN HADLEY AND RICHARD MONTGOMERY WHO I MET IN THE COMMUNITY AS I MOVED HERE.

THEY'RE VISIBLE IN THE COMMUNITY AND SUPPORT US, THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE HERE.

AS A PHYSICIAN I JUST WANTED TO SAY THE OUTDOOR DINING SEEMS LIKE A SAFER OPTION.

OF COURSE, IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE VACCINATED AND FOLLOW ALL CDC GUIDELINES.

I UNDERSTAND THE REVENUE OF BOTH.

ONE OF THE RESTAURANT OWNERS SAID THAT 30% OF THEIR STAFF WOULD BE LET GO IF THE OUTDOOR DINING STOPPED.

THEY'VE HAD A TOUGH TIME DURING COVID.

I THINK COUNCIL WILL MAKE THE BEST DECISION FOR THE PEOPLE AS THEY ALWAYS HAVE.

WE TRUST YOU.

WE APPRECIATE YOU.

AND JUST A LOT OF GRATITUDE TO OUR WHOLE COMMUNITY WHO SEES HOW

YOU WORK.

OUTDOOR DINING IS DEFINITELY SAFER CLINICALLY SPEAKING THAN INDOOR DINING ALONE.

THAT BEING SAID, CANCELING ALL DINING IS PROBABLY NEGATIVE FOR SOCIALIZATION AND THE IMPORTANT PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF BEING OUT.

SO IT'S A TOUGH DECISION AND I RESPECT YOU FOR BEING IN YOUR POSITION TO MAKE THOSE DECISIONS FOR US AND HELP US AND ADVOCATE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES, FOR PEOPLE, FOR CHILDREN, FOR ADULTS.

IT'S NOT EASY BUT AT THE SAME TIME WE TRUST YOU, WE APPRECIATE YOU AND JUST SO BLESSED TO BE A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO MR. FRANKLIN, MAYOR HADLEY, RICHARD FRANKLIN.

YOU GUYS ARE IN THE COMMUNITY AND WE SEE YOU, INTRODUCE YOURSELVES, GIVE YOUR CARDS, RESPOND TO E-MAILS.

THAT STUFF GOES NOTICED.

THANK YOU.

BEYOND THAT, JUST SAFETY IS VERY PARAMOUNT AND MAKING SURE THAT THE POLICE CHIEF SELECTED IS SOMEONE WHO UPHOLDS THE VALUES IS REALLY IMPORTANT.

AND JUST SUPPORTING OUR POLICE AND FIRE AND SCHOOLS IS WHY PEOPLE CHOOSE TO LIVE HERE.

LET'S CONTINUE TO KEEP THOSE THINGS PARAMOUNT AS YOU HAVE.

THAT'S WHY PEOPLE MOVE HERE.

AND JUST TAKE CARE OF OURSELVES AND THANK YOU SO MUCH.

NOW I'M GOING TO STOP BECAUSE I DON'T NEED TO TAKE UP ALL OF THE TIME.

EVERYBODY THAT COMMENTS, I ENCOURAGE THE COMMENTS BECAUSE FREEDOM OF SPEECH SO IMPORTANT.

THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY, REGARDLESS OF WHAT YOUR POSITION IS, WHATEVER COMMENT YOU MAKE.

THAT'S WHY MY PARENTS CAME TO AMERICA.

I WAS BORN HERE FOR FREEDOM, LIFE, LIBERTY THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

THANK YOU.

BYE.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, RAUL, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS ROBERT KALOUCHE.

>> GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY.

ROBERT KALOUCHE IS HERE.

I WILL ECHO A LITTLE MORE ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE HEARD QUITE A BIT OF IN REGARDS TO OUTDOOR DINING.

I AM IN DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN BEACH AND, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE EARLIER COMMENTS, I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THIS POINT.

I THOUGHT IT WAS AN IMPORTANT POINT I WAS GOING TO MAKE ANYWAY.



WE'RE NOT QUITE OUT OF THE WOODS YET WHEN IT COMES TO THE VARIANTS THAT ARE COMING UP.

WE ARE OMICRON.

WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT.

WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT AS A GOVERNMENT BODY, LET'S PUT A SCENARIO IN FRONT OF YOU WHERE TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE MONTHS FROM NOW IN'S ANOTHER VARIANT IN L.A. COUNTY AND THE STATE COMES DOWN AND SAYS, YOU KNOW WHAT, NO INDOOR DINING BECAUSE WE'VE GOT A DANGEROUS VARIANT ON THE RISE AND HOSPITALIZATIONS GOING UP. WHAT HAPPENS TO THE RESTAURANTS WHO NOW IN FEBRUARY NO LONGER HAVE THE PARKLETS OUTSIDE AND NOW THEY'RE FORCED TO CLOSE AND NOW WE'RE WINDING THE CLOCK TO THE DARK AGE OF THE EARLY PART OF 2020.

I GUESS MY PLEA TO YOU IS, TAKE THE ENTIRE PICTURE INTO CONSIDERATION.

WE'RE NOT QUITE OUT OF THE WOODS YET.

WE'RE ALMOST THERE.

HOPEFULLY, WE'RE GOING TO GET THERE SOON.

BUT WHEN WE LOOK AT THE BUSINESS OWNERS AND THE FUNDAMENTAL VALUES OF THE ECONOMY IMPACT THAT THESE RESTAURANTS HAVE HAD ON THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, THESE FOLKS HAVE SUFFERED ENOUGH. THEY'VE GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND.

THEY'VE LOST TEAM MEMBERS, STAFF MEMBERS.

SOME OF THEM HAD A HARD TIME REHIRING FOLKS.

I URGE YOU TO TAKE EVERYTHING INTO CONSIDERATION.

IT'S GOOD FOR OUR COMMUNITY, GOOD FOR OUR RESIDENTS, GOOD FOR OUR BUSINESS OWNERS, GOOD FOR OUR ECONOMY, AND JUST TAKE IT ALL IN BECAUSE WE COULD BE RIGHT BACK WHERE WE STARTED THE WE TAKE THAT AWAY FROM OUR BUSINESS OWNERS.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYBODY.

SHOUT OUT TO EVERYBODY ON THE COUNCIL FOR DOING ALL OF THIS GREAT WORK.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, ROBERT.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> NEXT IS KARTIK GARG.

>> HI.

I JUST WANTED TO AGAIN CONGRATULATE CAPTAIN HAGEMAN ON HIS SERVICE.

YOU KNOW, AGAIN, IT'S INCREDIBLE WHAT HE'S DONE FOR THE COMMUNITY.

I'M NOT GOING TO REHASH A LOT OF THE COMMENTS THAT A LOT OF THE FOLKS HAVE MADE ON OUTDOOR DINING.

I THINK THE SUPPORT FOR OUTDOOR DINING IS EVIDENT.

BUT I THINK ONE -- SOMETHING THAT I HAVE HEARD FROM A COUPLE OF COMMENTERS BEFORE.

SO I'M A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH, A HOMEOWNER.  
I MOVED HERE, YOU KNOW, ME, MY WIFE, OUR FAMILY, OUR TWO KIDS  
MOVED HERE FOR THE SCHOOLS BUT ALSO BECAUSE WE ABSOLUTELY LOVED  
MANHATTAN BEACH DOWNTOWN AND WHAT, YOU KNOW, KIND OF THE OUTDOOR  
DINING SPACE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PANDEMIC.  
WHEN IT SEEMED KIND OF HOPELESS FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE.  
AND THERE WAS THIS, YOU KNOW, ALMOST THIS ABILITY TO DO SOMETHING  
THAT YOU WEREN'T -- AT LEAST OUR FAMILY WASN'T ABLE TO.  
BEFORE WE SAW THAT SPARK IN MANHATTAN BEACH THAT WE FELT WAS MISS  
IN L.A. AND OTHER COMMUNITIES AND OTHER AREAS.  
AND I HAVEN'T KNOWN MANHATTAN BEACH CANDIDLY, AGAIN, VISITED BUT  
NEVER KNOWN MANHATTAN BEACH WITHOUT OUTDOOR DINING.  
I WANT TO URGE THE COMMUNITY TO THINK ABOUT THE IMPACT IT HAS ON  
FOLKS AND HOW THEY PERCEIVE THE CITY, NOT JUST INTERNALLY BUT  
ALSO OUTSIDE OF MANHATTAN BEACH.  
I THINK THERE'S ONE OTHER THING THAT I JUST WANT TO ADD OVER  
HERE, WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, KIND OF THE CITY COUNCIL IS -- AND KIND  
OF DEMOCRACIES ARE OF THE PEOPLE FOR THE PEOPLE AND BY THE  
PEOPLE.  
AND LAWS ARE A WAY OF EXPRESSING THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE.  
AND I'VE SEEN A LOT OF TIMES LAWS ARE USED TO BEND AGAINST THE  
WILL OF THE PEOPLE.  
I THINK THAT MOST FOLKS, IF YOU WERE TO SURVEY MANHATTAN BEACH,  
ARE IN SUPPORT OF OUTDOOR DINING.  
THEY ARE IN FAVOR OF OUTDOOR DINING.  
I WOULD URGE YOU TO SURVEY, IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO.  
I KNOW I RECEIVED A SURVEY.  
THAT'S THE ONLY THING I MENTIONED THAT I CARED ABOUT WAS OUTDOOR  
DINING.  
AND I WOULD LIKE TO ENSURE THAT, YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO  
MAKE A DECISION, YOU ARE NOT KIND OF HANDCUFFING YOURSELF WITH  
SOME OF THE LAWS.  
BECAUSE LAWS ARE REACTIVE.  
LAWS -- I'VE NEVER SEEN THEM BE PROACTIVE.  
I WANT TO KIND OF MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE TAKING THAT INTO ACCOUNT.  
I YELLED THE REST OF MY TIME AND THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE  
CHANCE TO TALK ABOUT THIS.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, K KARTIK FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
NEXT COMMENT?  
THERE'S NO FURTHER REQUEST VIA ZOOM.  
IT WILL BE APPROPRIATE TO INVITE THE PARTICIPANTS HERE IN COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS NOW.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.  
THANK YOU.  
SO FIRST MEMBER IN THE CHAMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC  
COMMENT.  
>> CITY COUNCIL, MAYOR STERN, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, MICHAEL,

DOWNTOWN BUSINESS OWNER, RESIDENT FOR 20 YEARS, BUSINESS OWNER FOR 30.

JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR WHAT THEY DID FOR THE PANDEMIC. REMEMBER, WE WERE THE FIRST CITY TO ACT ON THIS AND IT TOOK BOLD STEPS FOR YOU GUYS.

AND THEN WHEN WE HAD TO PUSH BACK WITH THE RETAILERS BECAUSE TARGET WAS OPEN AND OUR RETAILERS WEREN'T, WE TOOK EVEN BOLDER STEPS.

I THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THAT.

YOU KNOW, I SIT IN A DIFFERENT POSITION THAN YOU BECAUSE I HAVE A THOUSAND EMPLOYEES, SO TO SPEAK AND I KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON MAYBE A WEEK OR TWO BEFORE YOU DO.

AT THE LAST COUNCIL, TWO MEETINGS AGO, I THINK YOU GUYS THOUGHT COVID WAS OVER AND I NOW KNOW IT'S WORSE THAN IT'S EVER BEEN.

WE HAVE 40 PEOPLE OUT NOW.

USUALLY WE HAVE FOUR, THREE, TWO.

WE'RE ACTUALLY SITTING AT 40 OUT TODAY.

I BRING THAT TO YOUR ATTENTION.

ALL I DO IS HAVE TO FIGHT.

EVERY DAY I HAVE TO FIGHT HR ISSUES, HIRING ISSUES, COST ISSUES, JUST PRICES CHANGE, REPRINT MENUS, GOT TO FIGHT EVERYTHING.

WE NEED A LITTLE MORE CERTAINTY ON HOW TO RUN OUR BUSINESSES.

AND THE OUTDOOR DECKS BEING PROPOSED TO END ON JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup> AND THEN GIVING US THREE DAY TO REMOVE THEM, YOU GUYS, THAT'S AN IMPOSSIBILITY FOR THIS GROUP HERE.

AND I JUST SAY THAT BECAUSE I FEEL THE DECKS SHOULD RUN CONGRUENT WITH THE STATE EMERGENCY.

AND WHEN THAT EMERGENCY IS DEEMED OVER -- BECAUSE, WHAT HAVE WE HAD, WE'VE HAD OMICRON, DELTA, WHAT'S THE NEXT VARIANT.

I'M PRAYING THERE'S NO OTHER VARIANT BUT DAMN, THEY KEEP COMING.

AND I JUST WANT US TO BE CONCURRENT WITH THE STATE.

AND THEN WHEN IT'S OVER, GIVE US A MONTH.

WE GOT TO LET GO OF SOME PEOPLE THAT ARE WORKING MAYBE AND WE'VE GOT TO TAKE THEM DOWN TO HIRE A CONTRACTOR RIGHT NOW IS JUST ABOUT IMPOSSIBLE, EVERYBODY.

THIS THREE-DAY TRIGGER WITH A GUN OVER OUR HEAD IS NOT WHAT WE NEED.

WE NEED THE SUPPORT.

YOU'VE BEEN SO SUPPORTIVE OVER THE LAST YEAR.

CITY STAFF COMING ON THE WEEKENDS, COMING ON SATURDAY TO HELP US. THERE'S BEEN SO MUCH HELP.

I HATE TO SEE IT THROWN OUT.

I KNOW THE DECKS WERE TEMPORARY AND YOU MADE PROMISE TO YOUR DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS.

BUT WE DIDN'T THINK COVID AND YOU CAN'T THINK COVID WOULD LAST THIS LONG.

THIS IS A PUBLIC EMERGENCY.

WE NEED TO KEEP THE DECKS UNTIL THIS IS OVER.  
I KEEP HEARING ABOUT ADA COMPLIANCE.  
THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH MADE EVERY DECK ADA COMPLIANT.  
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR THAT STORY AGAIN.  
IT BOTHERS ME.  
WE'RE ALWAYS CONCERNED WITH EVERY CITIZEN.  
WITH THAT BEING SAID, I JUST HOPE YOU FOLLOW THE STATE ORDER AND  
HELP US GET THROUGH THIS BECAUSE IT'S BEEN A [ EXPLETIVE ] BAD  
YEAR, BAD COUPLE OF YEARS.  
IT'S TOUGH FOR ALL OF US.  
EVERYBODY IS AT WIT'S END.  
THEY'RE ALL WORKING SHIFTS THEY DON'T NEED TO WORK.  
EVERYBODY IS WORKING DIFFERENT JOBS.  
I'M THE BUSBOY ON MONDAY AND A MAINTENANCE GUY ON TUESDAY.  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
[APPLAUSE]  
>> Mayor Stern: NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.  
WE'LL KEEP THE APPLAUSE DOWN.  
YOU ALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE YOUR COMMENTS.  
SO CAN WE HAVE OUR NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.  
IS THAT IT?  
NO.  
>> HELLO.  
MY NAME IS DAVE LAFAVOR, A BUSINESS OWNER IN MANHATTAN BEACH.  
AND FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK CHIEF HAGEMAN FOR HIS SERVICE.  
SECONDLY, THANK ALL OF YOU FOR ALL OF THE WORK THAT YOU GUYS HAVE  
DONE SELFLESSLY AND TO REPRESENT OUR CITY AND TO REPRESENT THE  
RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS AND VISITORS TO OUR CITY.  
AS A RESTAURANT OWNER I'M FOR EXTENDING THE DINING DECKS.  
A COUPLE OF RUNS.  
I OBVIOUSLY HAVE PERSONAL INTERESTS.  
NOT ONLY THE CREW THAT I HAVE, LIKE HAVE GONE THROUGH CYCLE UPON  
CYCLE UPON CYCLE OF CHANGE OTHER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF AND  
ONCE AGAIN FACING ANOTHER CHANGE COMING UP.  
NUMBER TWO, I CAN SAY HUNDRED, OVER A HUNDRED PEOPLE HAVE TALKED  
TO ME ABOUT THE DECKS RIGHT NOW.  
AND THE OVERALL REACTION THAT WE'RE GETTING IS JUST BEWILDERMENT  
WITH WHERE OMICRON IS GOING RIGHT NOW, WHERE THE STATE AND THE  
CITY'S HEALTH IS GOING RIGHT NOW, I THINK YOU HAVE A VAST  
MAJORITY OF OUR RESIDENTS WHO ARE JUST PERPLEXED AT WHY WE WOULD  
MAKE THIS RIGHT NOW.  
I THINK WE HAVE HAD SUCH AMAZING SUPPORT FROM YOU OVER THE LAST  
TWO YEARS AND EVEN BEFORE THAT OBVIOUSLY.  
BUT I THINK IT'S JUST -- RIGHT NOW IT'S NOT THE TIME.  
ONE OF OUR GUIDING PHILOSOPHIES FOR THE COMPANY IS TO BE GUESTS  
FIRST AND ULTIMATELY THAT'S WHAT WE THINK THIS CHOICE TO EXTEND

IT WOULD BE, TO BE GUESTS FIRST.  
DO WHAT IS BEST FOR THE GUESTS OF OUR BUSINESS.  
THAT'S IT.  
THE REST OF THE TIME CAN GO TO WHOMEVER NEEDS IT.  
THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.  
>> GOOD EVENING, THANK YOU ALL.  
MY NAME IS DAVID SLEIGH.  
I HAVE TWO RESTAURANTS DOWNTOWN AND LIVED HERE FOR 18 YEARS.  
FIRST, WE APPRECIATE SO MUCH HOW QUICK YOU REACTED TO MAKE THIS  
ALL HAPPEN WHEN THIS STARTED A YEAR AND A HALF AGO OR SO.  
I WASN'T AN EASY DECISION, WHAT WE'VE ALL BEEN THROUGH AND WHERE  
WE ARE TODAY IS JUST BRUTAL.  
NOT TO REPEAT WHAT THEY SAID BUT DOING BUSINESS TODAY IS LIKE  
I'VE NEVER SEEN.  
I'M A THIRD GENERATION RESTAURATEUR, DEALING WITH THE UPS AND  
DOWNS, THE ILLNESSES, IN OUR SMALL COMPANY, FIVE PEOPLE OUT SICK  
NOW.  
IT'S HEART WRENCHING.  
I HAD IT.  
I HAD COVID BAD.  
I'M LUCKY TO BE HERE.  
I SHOULDN'T BE HERE.  
THE REASON I'M HERE IS BECAUSE WHEN I GOT IT, I WAS ONE OF THE  
ONLY PATIENTS AT UCLA AT THE TIME AND THEY WERE ABLE TO WORK ON  
ME EVERY DAY, EVERY NIGHT AROUND THE CLOCK.  
I'M VERY FORTUNATE TO BE LIVING.  
THE DANGER THAT WE PUT OUR EMPLOYEES IN, OUR GUESTS, YOU KNOW  
WHAT THIS IS ABOUT?  
THE PERSON LAST NIGHT WHO SAID MY MOTHER HAS MS, SHE CAN'T GO  
INSIDE.  
OUR CUSTOMER WHO IS UNDER CANCER TREATMENT WHO CAN'T GO INSIDE.  
A LITTLE BABY BEING TREATED FOR CANCER AND WILL NOT GO INSIDE.  
THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE WE HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT RIGHT NOW.  
THERE'S ENOUGH PEOPLE THAT HAVE HAD IT, ENOUGH PEOPLE KNOW IT IS  
REAL AND WE NEED HELP.  
THIS IS NOT OVER.  
WHO DO WE CALL WHEN WE NEED SOMETHING DURING THIS TIME?  
A RESTAURANT.  
WE'RE NOT CALLING THE HARDWARE STORE.  
WE'RE CALLING THE RESTAURANT, SANDWICH TO THE HOSPITAL, FOOD TO  
THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, SANDWICH TO THIS ONE, TURKEYS FOR DINNER,  
THEY CALL US AND WE'RE THERE NO MATTER HOW BAD OUR BUSINESS IS.  
WE'RE THE FIRST ONE TO JUMP IN.  
PLEASE CONSIDER THAT.  
WE APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR HELP.

HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, DAVID, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> HELLO, HONORABLE MAYOR STERN, CITY COUNCIL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

IT'S A PLEASURE TO SEE SOME OF YOU IN PERSON VERSUS WHAT SEEMS TO BE PERPETUAL ZOOM.

I WISH IT WERE FOR DIFFERENT REASONS.

I'M IN A UNIQUE POSITION OF BEING A LOCAL MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS, AN EMPLOYEE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND PART OF THE [INDISCERNIBLE] THAT A LOT OF YOU HAVE GROWN TO LOVE.

ON SUNDAY WE REPORTED 3512 COVID-19 CASES.

THIS IS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

THAT MARKED MORE THAN THREE TIMES THE NUMBER OF CASES THAT WERE REPORTED JUST SIX DAYS PRIOR ON DECEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> WHEN WE HAD 1123.

IT BREAKS MY HEART AS A CITIZEN HERE AND A PHYSICIAN.

IT REALLY BREAKS MY HEART AS A BUSINESS OWNER WHILE ON SO MANY LEVELS.

SO AS A PHYSICIAN I'VE BEEN ON THE FRONT LINES OF THIS PANDEMIC AND RECEIVED RECOGNITION FOR MY TEAM EFFORTS ON THE COVID-19 ICUs BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

I KNOW THAT THE ABILITY TO BE VACCINATED, STAY OUTDOORS, BE SPACED AND HAVE FRESH AIRFLOW IS SO IMPORTANT.

NOW AS A RESTAURANT DURING THE PANDEMIC, WE DID NOT RECEIVE ANY PPP AND WE ARE BRAVELY ATTEMPTING TO SHOULDER ON DESPITE WHAT IS THE OBVIOUS 37 HOW DO WE MAKE DINING AND RESTAURANTS AS SAFE AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE FOR US HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

FAMILIES MUST CONSIDER WHAT IS SAFEST FOR THEM THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO EXTEND OUR OUTDOOR DINING WHILE MAKING THESE OUTDOOR DINING PLANS PERMANENT WITHOUT DELAY.

IT'S ALLOWED US TO SUSTAIN DURING A PANDEMIC AND THESE UNCERTAIN TIMES AND IT'S REALLY ALLOWED US AS A SMALL BUSINESS TO PROTECT OUR STAFF AND CITIZENS.

I YIELD THE REST OF MY TIME AND I ASK THAT WE ALL WORK TOGETHER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> HELLO, EVERYONE.

MY NAME IS [INDISCERNIBLE] AND I'M A RESIDENT -- I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS.

MY HUSBAND AND I AND MY KIDS, WE TRY TO SUPPORT ALL THE BUSINESSES AND ESPECIALLY THE RESTAURANTS IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

WE LIKE TO GO OUT AND EAT.

WE AT LEAST EAT THREE OR FOUR TIMES A WEEK OUTSIDE TRYING TO SUPPORT ALL OF THE RESTAURANTS AS MUCH AS WE CAN.

AND I REALLY CANNOT UNDERSTAND WHY AT THIS TIME WE HAVE TO REMOVE THE OUTDOOR DINING WHEN EVEN OUR GOVERNOR IS COMING SAYING WE HAVE TO DO MASK MANDATE.

SO IF THE PANDEMIC IS NOT OVER, WHY ARE WE REMOVING THE OUTSIDE -- I WILL NOT FEEL SAFE AT ALL TO EAT OUTSIDE. AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU FEW MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY, NOT AT MY HOUSEHOLD BUT MY FAMILY ARE DEALING WITH COVID RIGHT NOW, THEY'VE BEEN DIAGNOSED POSITIVE.

SO I JUST WANT TO BE HERE AND SAY THAT I HONESTLY THINK THAT OUTSIDE DINING SHOULD CONTINUE FOR A LOT LONGER.

AND NOT ONLY JUST FOR COVID BUT I JUST THINK IT'S A LOT OF FUN AND PEOPLE LOVE IT.

ACTUALLY MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS, THEY ENJOY IT AND I HONESTLY CANNOT UNDERSTAND WHY WE ARE NOT KEEPING IT.

THAT'S ALL.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, EVERYONE.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT.

>> HELLO.

MY NAME IS DEVIN BREAM AND I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT HERE SINCE 1995. IN THE 27 YEARS I'VE LIVED HERE, THIS IS THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY I'VE HAD TO VISIT THIS CHAMBER.

SO MOST IMPORTANTLY I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU, THE COUNCILMEMBERS AND THE MAYOR, THE VIRTUAL MAYOR FOR THE SERVICE IN HELPING US BUILD THIS AMAZING CITY HERE.

I HAVE TWO SIMPLE INSIGHTS TO SHARE WITH YOU TONIGHT AND I FEEL ARE IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO COME.

SO FIRST, I EARNED MY MASTER EAST DEGREE IN PUBLIC HEALTH FROM UCLA, A SMALL SCHOOL UP THE STREET, AND HAVE SPENT OVER 30 YEARS IN THE BEST HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IN THE WORLD.

WE ARE BEYOND FORTUNATE TO LIVE WHERE WE DO.

I WANT TO SHARE THAT I WAS SHOCKED, HONESTLY ABSOLUTELY SHOCKED TO LEARN THAT OUR CITY FELT THE PANDEMIC WAS CLOSE TO BEING RESOLVED TO THE POINT WHERE OUTDOOR DINING WAS NO LONGER NEEDED. THE PANDEMIC IS FAR, FAR FROM OVER.

AND NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO END THE BEST PREVENTION, WHICH IS POSSIBLE, WHICH IS FRESH AIR.

AND FOR DINING IS OUTDOOR DINING.

SINCERELY.

AS THE MAYOR MENTIONED EARLIER ON A SEPARATE TOPIC, MANHATTAN BEACH SHOULD BE LEADING THE WAY.

THE SECOND AND LAST POINT IS ON A BUSINESS NOTE.

AS A CEO OF A MED TECH COMPANY I ENTERTAIN CLIENTS, A LOT OF CLIENTS HERE AND PARTNERS AND HEALTHCARE LEADERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD.

THE DINING OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN WELL-NOTED AS NOT ONLY

BEAUTIFUL BUT VERY RESPONSIBLE BY MY COLLEAGUES AND BUSINESS PARTNERS.

AS OTHER BEACH CITY RESTAURANTS REMAIN OUTDOOR FRIENDLY, I WOULD PREFER NOT TO MOVE MY BUSINESS MEETINGS THERE IF MANHATTAN BEACH DECIDES TO SHUT DOWN OUTDOOR DINING DECKS.

MY HUMBLE REQUEST IS FOR YOU TO PLEASE EXTEND THE OUTDOOR DINING OPPORTUNITY FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY BUT ALSO FOR THE PROMOTION OF OUR BUSINESS WITHIN THIS GREAT CITY.

THANK YOU AND I WISH YOU AN AMAZING HOLIDAY SEASON AND LET'S HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR TOGETHER.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

IF ANYBODY THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT, WOULD TO JUST -- IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME DOWN AND SIT IN THESE SEATS, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO MOVE THIS THROUGH.

OKAY.

THANK YOU.

WELCOME.

>> HELLO.

BUSINESS OWNER IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

FIRST OF ALL I APOLOGIZE FOR MY ENGLISH.

MY WIFE EXPRESSED VERY WELL WHAT IS GOING ON.

I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE EFFORT DONE AT THE BEGINNING TO SUPPORT US AND TO SUSTAIN OUR BUSINESS.

BUT YOU KNOW, WE NEED IT NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED TO EXTENT OF YOUR SUPPORT.

THE PANDEMIC IS NOT OTHER.

MANY PEOPLE THEY STILL WANT TO DINE OUTSIDE RATHER THAN INSIDE. WHEN IT'S COLD AND WE CANNOT USE THE INDOOR, PEOPLE DO NOT COME. MANY DAYS LIKE THIS PAST WEEK WE HAD A CANCELLATION, LIKE 56% OF CANCELLATION BECAUSE PEOPLE DIDN'T WANT TO DINE INSIDE.

TO HAVE THE POSSIBILITY TO KEEP IT DOING WITH THIS PROGRAM IT'S GOING TO GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUSTAIN OUR BUSINESS AND PROVIDE FOR OUR CUSTOMER, FOR FAMILIES, FOR EVERYBODY.

SO PEOPLE LOVE IT.

YOU HAVE DONE A MARVELOUS JOB WITH THE DINING DECKS.

AND I THINK WE NEED TO KEEP GOING AND WE NEED TO KEEP EXTENDING -- GIVE US THE POSSIBILITY TO OPERATE.

YOU KNOW, DON'T FORGET IF WE REMOVE THESE DINING DECKS, WE NEED TO LAY OFF PEOPLE AGAIN.

AFTER CHRISTMAS I DON'T THINK IS THE BEST GIFT THAT WE CAN GIVE THESE PEOPLE, YOU KNOW.

LIKE ME, I CANNOT SUPPORT MANY EMPLOYEES IF I DON'T HAVE THE EXTRA SPACE.

AND I GUESS LIKE ME, A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER, THEY'RE GOING TO DO THE SAME.



IT IS SOMETHING YOU NEED TO CONSIDER WHEN YOU'RE THINKING TO REMOVE -- IT'S NOT EASY TO REMOVE.

FINANCIALLY FOR US WE'RE STILL IN A DIFFICULT PLACE.

SO AGAIN, PANDEMIC IS NOT OVER.

I THINK WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER IN ORDER TO MAKE THE DECKS BETTER, YOU KNOW, MORE ACCESSIBLE, BEAUTIFUL FOR EVERYBODY. BUT NOT TO REMOVE THEM RIGHT NOW.

[INDISCERNIBLE] THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, STAFF.

THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE THIS EVENING.

I DO WANT TO ECHO THE AMAZING JOB THAT EVERYBODY IN THIS ROOM HAS DONE IN HELPING THE BUSINESSES SURVIVE THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC.

IT'S BEEN A TRUE JOY TO WORK IN THIS CITY.

WE DO BUSINESS IN MANY CITIES AND I HAVE TO SAY THIS IS ONE OF MY FAVORITE ONES AND THAT'S WHY I ALSO LIVE HERE.

I'M NOT GOING TO ECHO -- I'LL ECHO JUST WHAT EVERYBODY ELSE SAID.

I DON'T WANT TO REITERATE WHAT THEY'VE SAID.

I'LL STICK TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

WE DID START A SUPPORT OUTDOOR DINING MB.COM WEBSITE, THE RESTAURATEURS, IN ANTICIPATION OF HAVING TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE RESIDENTS AT SOME POINT.

I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WAS GOING TO BE SO SOON.

AS A WEEK OF IT BEING FULLY LIVE AND BEING PROMOTED, WE HAVE OVER 3200 SUPPORTERS.

THERE'S -- WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, I THOUGHT THERE WOULD BE A COUPLE HUNDRED.

BUT TO GET 32.

OBVIOUSLY NOT ALL IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

WE SENT YOU A LINK TO A GOOGLE MAP WHICH WILL SHOW EACH -- LOCATION OF EACH RESIDENT THAT SIGNED UP AND SUPPORTED THE WEBSITE.

THERE ARE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS -- I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO COUNT THEM ALL.

THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS WITHIN THE SAND SECTION OF MANHATTAN BEACH THAT SUPPORT THIS AND WANT TO SEE IT CONTINUE.

IT'S CRAZY.

THE CITY WANTS IT, THE RESTAURATEURS WANT IT, THE RESIDENTS WANT IT AND HERE WE ARE TALKING ABOUT HOPEFULLY NOT TAKING IT I WAY.

I URGE YOU TO CONSIDER KEEPING IT.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, MICHAEL.

NEXT PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> MY NAME IS RICHARD SHELDON.

I AM A MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT FOR ABOUT 20 YEARS.

AND I'M NOT IN THE BUSINESS.

I'M JUST A LOCAL RESIDENT THAT TRULY ENJOYS THIS EXPERIENCE. ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, NO BUSINESS INTEREST, WHETHER IT'S WITH LOCAL FRIENDS OR FRIENDS AND FAMILY THAT ARE VISITING -- I'M BORN AND RAISED IN LONDON AND OUTDOOR DINING IS A PART OF OUR LIFESTYLE.

I HAVE SAID SO MANY TIMES THAT COVID HAS BEEN SO DIFFICULT FOR SO MANY PEOPLE AND SO MANY BUSINESSES, THE BEST THING TO COME OUT OF COVID IS THE OUTDOOR DINING.

STRICTLY MY OPINION.

IF IT IS TAKEN AWAY, I DEFINITELY WILL GO TO OWE CITIES AND I DON'T WANT TO DO THAT.

I JUST BOUGHT A HOUSE IN DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN BEACH.

I WANT TO CONTINUE TO WALK THERE AND I WANT TO SEE FRIENDLY FACES AND I WANT TO ENJOY THE WONDERFUL ATMOSPHERE THAT REALLY KEEPS EVERYBODY FEELING VERY SECURE.

I MEAN SO MANY REASONS.

SO WHILE THERE ARE, I'M SURE, VERY GOOD REASONS WHY YOU'RE CONSIDERING NOT EXTENDING IT, I WOULD URGE YOU DEFINITELY TO RECONSIDER NOT JUST TEMPORARILY BUT IF THERE WAS ANY WAY YOU COULD MAKE IT PERMANENT, I WOULD SIGN THAT PAPER IN A HEARTBEAT. THAT'S IT.

THANKS VERY MUCH.

WE APPRECIATE ALL YOUR HARD WORK ALWAYS.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS?

>> HELLO, CITY COUNCIL.

MY NAME IS PAUL [INDISCERNIBLE].

I'M AN ACADEMIC PHYSICIAN.

I HAVE ADVANCED TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH AS WELL.

AND I'M A LOCAL RESIDENT.

I WANTED TO JUST SAY A FEW THINGS.

YOU KNOW, FROM A PROFESSIONAL STANDPOINT, OUTDOOR DINING IS CLEARLY A SAFER WAY TO DINE THAN BEING INDOORS.

AND THE PANDEMIC IS CLEARLY NOT OVER AND WE ARE SEEING A SURGE IN A NUMBER OF VARIANTS AND THIS IS GOING TO CONTINUE.

BUT BEYOND THAT, BEING ABLE TO INTERACT WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN THESE SAFE OUTDOOR SPACES IS VITAL TO THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF OUR CHILDREN AND OUR FRIENDS AND OUR COMMUNITY, I THINK.

AND ANY WEEKEND YOU CAN SEE ME WALKING DOWNTOWN WITH MY DAUGHTER, A TRADITION THAT'S LASTED 16 YEARS.

AND THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW TIMES I GET TO SEE HER WHEN I'M USUALLY SPENDING MY DAYS IN THE HOSPITAL TAKING CARE OF, TAKING CARE OF THOSE WHO ARE SICK.

SEVERAL OF THE BUSINESS OWNERS HERE HAVE DIRECTLY SUPPORTED MY RESEARCH AND MY EDUCATION OVER THE YEARS AND I THINK IT'S TIME THAT WE PAID THEM BACK.

I SPENT A LOT OF YEARS WORKING AS A WAITER.  
IT WAS ONE OF THE FIRST JOBS I HAD AND I LEARNED A LOT OF LESSONS  
AND THESE FOLKS ARE REALLY A VALUABLE MEMBER -- MEMBERS AND  
CONTRIBUTORS FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

I THINK IT'S TIME THAT WE SUPPORT THEM AND LEAVE THE OUTDOOR  
DINING IN PLACE UNTIL THINGS SETTLE DOWN A LITTLE, I THINK IT'S  
THE SMART THING TO DO.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, DOCTOR, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
NEXT COMMENT.

>> HI THERE.

I LOATHE PUBLIC SPEAKING, BUT THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME AND  
I LOVE WHERE I LIVE.

SO HERE I AM.

PLEASE EXCUSE IF I START HICCUPPING OR ANYTHING OUT OF NERVES.  
THANK YOU, COUNCIL, FOR ALL THAT YOU DO.

IN TALKING ABOUT OUTDOOR DINING WITH FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS, YOU  
KNOW, THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE -- I HAVE NOT ENCOUNTERED  
ONE OF MY NEIGHBORS OR FRIENDS WHO DOESN'T SUPPORT IT, WHO  
DOESN'T LIKE IT.

AND I'VE SEEN MORE TOURISTS HERE IN THE LAST, YOU KNOW, DURING  
THE PANDEMIC THAN I HAVE IN THE 23 YEARS I'VE LIVED HERE.

WE HAVE A REALLY VIBRANT DINING SCENE THAT HAS BECOME AN OUTDOOR  
DINING SCENE THAT'S VIBRANT THANKS TO A LOT OF THESE GUYS HERE, A  
LOT OF THESE PEOPLE HERE.

ALL OF THE PEOPLE THAT I TALK TO, MY FRIENDS, MY NEIGHBORS, THEY  
HAVE NO INTEREST IN DINING INSIDE BECAUSE IT DOESN'T FEEL SAFE.  
MY HUSBAND AND I WON'T DO IT.

WE WON'T BRING YOUR DAUGHTER WHO HAS LYME DISEASE INDOORS TO EAT.  
OUTDOORS NOT ONLY FEELS GREAT AND IS REALLY FUN AND FEELS LIKE A  
HOLIDAY, IT'S JUST, IT'S JUST SAFER.

AND IT IS REALLY NEIGHBORLY.

YOU SEE MORE PEOPLE.

IT MAKES YOU GRATEFUL FOR WHERE YOU LIVE.

I THINK IT'S ONEROUS TO ASK THAT WE SUPPORT THIS VIBRANT DINING  
SCENE, OUR RESTAURANTS AND IT'S ONEROUS TO ASK THAT WE GO INDOOR  
TO DO THAT.

I DON'T FEEL SAFE DOING THAT AND I KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T.  
IT'S EQUALLY ONEROUS TO ASK THAT WE SUPPORT OUR RESTAURANTS BY  
ONLY ORDERING TAKEOUT.

I AM SO TIRED OF TO-GO CONTAINERS.

WE ALL ARE.

I WANT TO KEEP MY DINING DOLLARS IN THIS TOWN THAT I LOVE AND I  
WANT TO SUPPORT THE RESTAURANTS THAT I -- FRANKLY, THAT PROBABLY  
MOST OF US HAVE PESTERED RELENTLESSLY FOR DONATIONS FOR OUR  
SCHOOLS AND THEY GENEROUSLY GIVE EVERY TIME.

I WOULD ASK THAT YOU NOT CANCEL OUTDOOR DINING IN JANUARY BECAUSE  
IT'S TERRIBLE TIMING FOR THE PANDEMIC.

TO BE HONEST, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU NOT CANCEL IT IN THE SPRING,  
BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY COOL TO EAT OUTSIDE IN THE SPRING.  
AND SUMMER IS REALLY COOL TO EAT OUTSIDE AS WELL.  
SO PERHAPS YOU WOULD CONSIDER INSTEAD OF DISMANTLING IT NOW, THAT  
A LONG-TERM SOLUTION IS FOUND WHILE THIS SHORT-TERM TEMPORARY  
THING STAYS UP.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
OUR NEXT COMMENT.

>> MADAM MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, JIM BURTON, LONG-TIME  
RESIDENT.

I DON'T KNOW THAT I DISAGREE WITH ANYTHING THAT ANYBODY SAID.  
I APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS.

YOU HAVE MADE PROMISE TO THE RESIDENTS.

I THINK WE ARE IN A DIFFICULT SITUATION.

BUT I'M NOT IN FAVOR OF THE CONTINUATION OF OUTDOOR DINING AND  
THAT'S A TOUGH THING TO SAY.

IT'S A TOUGH THING TO SIT IN HERE AND COME INTO THE COUNCIL  
CHAMBER AND LET YOU KNOW I'M NOT IN FAVOR OF IT.

I LOVE OUTDOOR DINING.

IT'S NOT THAT YOU DON'T LIKE OUTDOOR DINING.

BUT THE IMPACT IT'S HAVING ON THE CITY, PARTICULARLY IN OUR  
BLOCK, PARTICULARLY PARKING AND THE SALUTE AGGRESSIVE TACTICS  
BEING USED BY [INDISCERNIBLE] AND OTHERS, IT'S A TREMENDOUS  
IMPACT.

COVID IS A REAL ISSUE.

I'M NOT SAYING IT'S NOT.

OMICRON IS A REAL ISSUE.

BUT IF WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO MOVE ON AND IF WE'RE GOING TO  
CONTINUE AND GET TO THE NEXT STEP, IT NEEDS TO STOP SOMEWHERE.  
AND THESE DINING DECKS WERE DESIGNED AS TEMPORARY DINING DECKS.  
THERE'S INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES.

IT WAS -- I APPRECIATE THE SURVEY THAT WAS SENT OUT.

BUT HONESTLY, IT WAS DISINGENUOUS.

IT SOMEHOW TIED TEMPORARY DINING DECKS WITH A PERMANENT PLAN, AND  
SOMEHOW FAULTED COUNCIL.

THIS VOTE TO END DINING DECKS ON JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup> OCCURRED ON  
AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>.

FOUR MONTHS AGO.

WHERE WAS EVERYBODY?

AND WHAT HAPPENED ON DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> WAS THAT COUNCIL REAFFIRMED WE  
HAVE INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES, WE HAVE STREET SLURRY ISSUES, PUBLIC  
WORKS ISSUE, STORM DRAIN ISSUES, PARKING ISSUES, A LOT OF THINGS  
ARE NOT BEING DEVELOPED OR TAKEN WITH THE CITY'S PUSHBACK.

AND I APPRECIATE THE RESTAURANTS RECOGNIZING COUNCIL'S SUPPORT.  
COUNCIL HAS SUPPORTED.

RESIDENTS SUPPORTED.

MIKE, YOU KNOW, I'VE SPENT TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS AT THE RESTAURANT AND I ENJOY IT.

BUT THE IMPACT ON THE CITY, THE COST IT'S COSTING US, AT SOME POINT ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.

IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT WE'RE IN THIS.

BUT WHEN ARE THE TEMPORARY DECKS GOING TO MOVE AND WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GO FORWARD WITH THIS WHOLE IDEA OF OMICRON?

I THINK THAT'S A REAL CONCERN.

BUT WHAT SOME RESTAURANTS ARE DOING -- HE EVEN -- ONE OF THE GENTLEMAN, ADAM SOMEBODY ON ZOOM, HE SHUT HIS RESTAURANT DOWN. MAYBE DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON TELL PEOPLE TO STAY HOME.

THE SUPER BOWL IS COMING UP -- [ OFF MIC ]

>> Mayor Stern: THAT'S OKAY.

YOU CAN CONTINUE, JIM.

>> THE SUPER BOWL IS COMING MID FEBRUARY THIS YEAR AND THE LAST THING WE NEED IS PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY OR ALL OVER THE WORLD COMING INTO TOWN GOING TO OUTDOOR DINING WALKING AROUND AND POTENTIALLY SPREADING A VIRUS.

YOU NEED TO DO SOMETHING, PLEASE.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, JIM, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

EXCUSE ME.

WE'LL RESPECT EVERYBODY'S COMMENTS.

THANK YOU.

>> HI, COUNCILMEMBERS.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

MY NAME IS KELLIE.

I'M A RESIDENT AND A BUSINESS OWNER HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

WE LOVE OUR COMMUNITY.

AND I'M NOT GOING TO SPEAK ABOUT COVID OR OMICRON.

OBVIOUSLY, SAFETY IS A NUMBER-ONE CONCERN FOR US.

I HAVE A FATHER WHO IS 101 YEARS OLD THAT LIVES IN THE COMMUNITY AND WE DO AN AMAZING JOB TAKING CARE OF OUR SENIORS AND WE'VE DEFINITELY BENEFITED FROM OUTDOOR DINING.

I HAVE A CHILD WITH AN AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE AND WE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DINE AT ALL HAD WE NOT HAD THAT DINING.

BUT SPEAKING STRICTLY FROM AN ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY STANDPOINT AND NOT JUST MY PERSONAL, MY PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE THAT I LOVE OUR SMALL-TOWN VIBE AND I LOVE THAT WE HAVE MOM-AND-POP RESTAURANTS AND BOUTIQUE RETAILERS THAT WE ALL ENJOY.

BUT RETAILERS AND SMALL BUSINESSES BENEFIT FROM A THRIVING RESTAURANT COMMUNITY.

THEY BRING IN MORE TRAFFIC TO OUR COMMUNITY WHICH HAS A TRICKLE EFFECT TO THE REST OF US.

AND NOT TO GET INTO BALANCE SHEET, CASH FLOW, INCOME STATEMENT, BUT I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE COST THEY MUST HAVE PUT IN TO SETTING

UP THIS PARKLET AND THEN POTENTIALLY HAVING TO TAKE THEM DOWN, THEY HAVE NO PLACE TO STORE THEM, AND TO PAY AGAIN TO BRING THEM BACK OUT.

I CAN'T IMAGINE THE WEIGHT OF THAT COST ON THEIR BUSINESS. AND I CAN TELL YOU THERE ARE BUSINESSES HERE, FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM AND I'M SURE THEY WOULD RAISE THEIR HANDS, IF THEY HAD TO ENDURE THAT COST, THEY WOULD NOT BE HERE GOING FORWARD.

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN AS A COMMUNITY?

THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE EMPTY STOREFRONTS?

HOW DOES THAT AFFECT RETAILERS OR SMALL OFFICES OR THOSE OF US AS RESIDENTS WHO WANT TO GO TO THE RESTAURANTS.

SELFISHLY I WANT TO WALK DOWNTOWN AND EAT HERE.

I LIKE IT HERE.

I WANT MY KIDS TO COME HERE.

MAYBE WHEN THOSE SPACES ARE FILLED, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE FILLED WITH MOM-AND-POP, THEY'RE GOING TO BE BIG BOX RESTAURANTS, PLACES THAT DON'T REFLECT WHO WE ARE AS A COMMUNITY.

AND I FEEL LIKE WE'RE PUTTING A BIG, BIG DRIVER OF NOT ONLY OUR ECONOMY BUT THE MANHATTAN BEACH VIBE, THE REAL FEEL OF OUR COMMUNITY, WE'RE JEOPARDIZING THEM.

AND I WOULD ALSO SAY THAT CHANGE IS GOING TO HAVE TO COME EVENTUALLY.

THERE ARE THING GOINGS ON WITH E-BIKES BUT IT LOOKS LIKE WE NEED A LONGER-TERM PLAN FOR THAT.

HOPEFULLY, THAT'S TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION BEFORE THINGS ARE MADE BECAUSE THERE ARE OTHER THINGS COMING DOWN THE PIKE THAT ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE WORKED IN THE SIDEWALK CHANGES.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR THE COMMENTS.

DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS?

I DON'T SEE ANYBODY ELSE COMING DOWN TO THE MICROPHONE.

OH, I DO SEE SOMEONE COMING DOWN.

>> MY NAME IS TJ McNULTY.

I'M A FAIRLY NEW RESIDENT HERE, YEAR AND A HALF.

I'VE LIVED ALL OVER THE U.S. AND CANADA.

THE LIFE BLOOD OF A COMMUNITY, MANHATTAN BEACH FIGURED IT OUT. SMALL BUSINESS.

IF YOU LOSE SMALL BUSINESS, BIG BOX MOVES IN, YOU LOSE CHARM.

IF YOU WANT MANHATTAN BEACH TO BE A CASE STUDY IN HOW TO LOSE CHARM, GET RID OF IT.

DON'T SUPPORT THE BUSINESSES.

IF YOU HELP THEM THRIVE, THEY'RE GOING TO STAY FOREVER.

THESE RESTAURANTS WILL BE HERE 30, 40 YEARS.

THAT'S WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT, HELPING THE BUSINESSES THRIVE, NOT JUST SURVIVE.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THAT BUT WE'LL KEEP ALL OF THE APPLAUSE TO OURSELVES.

DO WE HAVE ANYBODY ELSE THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT?

DO WE HAVE ANYBODY ELSE ON ZOOM THAT'S RAISED THEIR HANDS?

>> YES, WE HAVE LORI.

>> HI, EVERYONE.

GOOD EVENING, COUNCIL.

THIS IS LORI FORD, OWNER OF GUM TREE IN DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN BEACH AND DOWNTOWN ROSA BEACH.

I WANT TO CALL IN AND EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR CONTINUING OUTDOOR DINING.

OF COURSE FROM A SAFETY PERSPECTIVE DURING THIS CLEARLY NOT GONE PERIOD OF COVID, BUT ALSO AS A BUSINESS OWNER OF A RETAIL STORE, IT'S SO IMPORTANT.

OUR COMMUNITY HAS BECOME SO VIBRANT AND WALKABLE AND WONDERFUL WITH THE OUTDOOR DINING, THE VIBE IS GREAT.

YOU KNOW, THE CUSTOMERS ARE NEW.

AND OF COURSE OUR -- I MEAN WE SPEAK TO CUSTOMERS ALL DAY LONG IN OUR STORES.

I EVEN TOOK AN UNOFFICIAL INSTAGRAM POLL ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA AND FOUND THAT -- SORRY, MY DOGS ARE BARKING -- OVER 400 PEOPLE ANSWERED AND 93% OF THEM SAID THEY WANTED TO KEEP THE DECKS.

SO WE HAVEN'T SPOKEN TO ANYONE IN THE STORES IN ALMOST TWO YEARS THAT DOESN'T LOVE THE OUTDOOR DINING AND I JUST WANT TO IMPRESS UPON YOU FROM THE STANDPOINT OF A RETAILER HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR THE VIBRANCY OF OUR DOWNTOWN TO KEEP THE DINING DECKS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, LORI, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTERS ON ZOOM?

>> YES, WE HAVE CHANDRA.

>> HI, COUNCIL.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

I WAS CALLING IN TO SHOW STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE OUTDOOR DINING DECKS AND THE EXTENSION OF THE OUTDOOR DINING DECKS.

I KNOW THAT PARKING IS AN ISSUE, I KNOW THAT SLURRY IS AN ISSUE. BUT I HOPE WITH SOME OF THE COVID MONEY THAT CAME INTO THE CITY THERE COULD BE A MORE EFFICIENT WAY TO DO THE SLURRY COATING TO FORCE ALL OF THESE RESTAURANTS TO REMOVE THE DECKS ON JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup> WHEN NUMBERS ARE SPIKING.

EVEN WITH OUR CUSTOMERS, WE HAVE MORE COMMISSIONERS WANTING TO BE OUTSIDE.

IT'S NOT THE RIGHT TIME.

IT'S NOT IN LINE WITH WHAT ANYONE ELSE IN THE COUNTRY, COUNTY AND COASTAL CITIES ARE DOING.

HOPEFULLY, THAT CAN BE REVISITED.

WHILE I HAVE THIS FORUM, I JUST WANT TO SAY WITH REGARDS TO TRILOGY SPA THERE'S A LOT OF RUMORS BUT THERE ARE DIFFERENT

LANDLORDS AND IF THE LANDLORDS WANTED FULL RENT.  
IT IS TRUE WE'RE CLOSING THAT LOCATION.  
WE'RE MOVING.  
STAYING IN MANHATTAN BEACH, STAYING DOWNTOWN.  
WE OBVIOUSLY ARE NOT.  
HAPPY THE WAY THINGS ARE GONE DOWN.  
IT'S A CITY PROPERTY RUN BY OTHER PEOPLE.  
WE'RE HOPING THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE THE COMMUNITY'S SUPPORT  
IN OUR NEW LOCATION.  
WE'RE SUPER EXCITED THAT ONE OF OUR MY CLOSE FRIENDS HAS MADE THE  
MOST INCREDIBLE DESIGN.  
WE'RE EXCITED TO BRING STATE OF THE ART THINGS THAT ARE IN LINE  
WITH MORE OF WHAT THE ENVIRONMENT NEEDS.  
AND WE THANK ALL OF OUR CUSTOMERS FOR THAT SUPPORT.  
WE'RE HOPING NOT TO HAVE ANY DISCONTINUATION IN OUR OPERATIONS  
BUT THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, ISN'T UP TO US.  
THAT'S UP TO OUR LANDLORD AND HOPEFULLY I GUESS OUR MASTER  
LANDLORD IS THE CITY.  
SO I JUST WANT TO PUT THOSE RUMORS TO REST.  
WE NEVER DIDN'T WANT TO PAY RENT.  
WE JUST NEEDED A LEGAL AGREEMENT BECAUSE OUR LANDLORDS THREATENED  
TO THROW US OUT BACK IN APRIL OF 2020.  
IT WAS AN UNFORTUNATE BATTLE.  
WE LOVE THE COMMUNITY, BEEN A PART OF IT, DONATED A TON AND WANT  
TO CONTINUE DOING THAT.  
WOULD RATHER EVERYONE HEAR IT FROM ME THAN SOME OF THE RUMORS  
COMING IN THROUGH OUR DOORS.  
WE WANT OUR EMPLOYEES TO KEEP WORKING AND EVERYBODY LOVES BEING  
IN THIS TOWN.  
THANK YOU.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, CHANDRA, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS?  
>> YES, WE HAVE MATTHEW NIEMANN.  
I'M ZOOMING.  
I HOPE YOU CAN HEAR ME.  
YOU DON'T NEED TO SEE ME.  
I JUST LIKE YOU TO HEAR ME.  
FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR, AS I UNDERSTAND, THE THREE MINUTES.  
[INDISCERNIBLE] WERE KIND ENOUGH TO SEND ME THIS LINK.  
I'M ACTUALLY IN COLORADO BUT HAVE BEEN A PROPERTY OWNER ON  
16<sup>th</sup> STREET LITERALLY FOUR BLOCKS FROM THE CENTER OF TOWN AND I  
HAVE FIVE DAUGHTERS, TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS, I'M HAPPY TO SAY.  
WE SPEND A LOT OF TIME WALKING THROUGH THAT TOWN.  
AND I'VE SEEN A LOT OVER THE 22 YEARS THAT I'VE OWNED A HOME IN  
MANHATTAN BEACH.  
AND I WANT TO START BY COMMENDING, I THINK IT'S THIS ENTIRE  
COUNCIL, SPARE PERHAPS MR. FRANKLIN WHO I THINK IS THE MOST



RECENT MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL, IF I'M NOT MISTAKE.  
BUT I WANT TO COMMENT YOU ON TAKING THE LEADERSHIP AT THE OUTSET  
OF THE PANDEMIC.  
YOU GUYS MOVED QUICKLY.  
I KNOW THERE WERE A LOT OF FITS AND STARTS BUT YOU GUYS, I  
THOUGHT, DID A COMMENDABLE JOB IN SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL MERCHANTS  
AND DOING WHAT YOU COULD DO WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF WHAT L.A. COUNTY  
AND ALL OF THE OTHER GOVERNMENT INFLUENCES, DOING WHAT YOU COULD  
TO SUPPORT THE OUTDOOR DINING.  
SO I WANT TO -- I WANT TO GIVE CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE.  
I THINK YOU GUYS DID A GREAT JOB.  
HOWEVER, AND IT'S A BIG HOWEVER, WHEN I HEARD THAT THIS WAS  
COMING TO AN END JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup>, WHEN I STOOD OUTSIDE, MY DEAR  
FRIEND DAVID SLAY'S RESTAURANT AND WATCHED A SERVICE PROCESSOR  
SERVE HIM LAST THURSDAY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE AFTERNOON FOR A  
SECOND OR THIRD TIME, IT COULDN'T BE WORSE TIMING AND I REALLY  
IMPLORE YOU GUY TO EXERCISE THAT SAME LEADERSHIP THAT YOU SHOWED,  
EXTEND THIS -- I UNDERSTAND THE OBJECTIVE OF LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS  
HERE.  
I LIVED THROUGH SAN DUNE PARK.  
THE LONG-TERM SOLUTION IS A DISASTER.  
IT LOOKS LIKE A PRISON.  
YOU HAVE IT WITHIN YOUR MEANS.  
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS EXTEND THIS WHILE YOU COME UP WITH  
LONGER-TERM SOLUTIONS.  
I ACTUALLY BELIEVE YOUR STATED NEGATIVES, MANY OF WHICH ARE  
POSITIVES.  
I'M NOT AWARE OF ANYBODY THAT'S OPPOSED TO THIS.  
I'M SURE THERE ARE.  
BUT I THINK WE'RE CATERING TO THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR.  
I WOULD IMPLORE YOU TO EXTEND AND EVALUATE AS OPPOSED TO FREEZE  
IT.  
BECAUSE AS YOU HAVE SAID, MAYOR, TO YOUR CREDIT, YOU'VE BEEN UP  
FRONT ABOUT THIS, IT WILL TAKE YEARS.  
LET'S KEEP IT OPEN.  
LET'S KEEP ALL OF THESE GREAT THINGS.  
THIS IS THE SINGLE BEST THING I'VE SEEN IN MANHATTAN BEACH IN 22  
YEARS.  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, MATTHEW, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
ANY OTHER COMMENTS?  
>> NEXT IS KRIS.  
>> HI, CITY COUNCIL.  
THIS IS KRIS [INDISCERNIBLE].  
THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME.  
I'M WELL-VERSED IN MANY THINGS PERTAINING TO CITY COUNCIL.  
I'M ALSO A 43-YEAR RESIDENT OF MINNESOTA HAVING LIVED AROUND

DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR ALL OF THOSE 43 YEARS.  
AND I'M A 12-YEAR BUSINESS OWNER OF BELLA BEACH KIDS IN DOWNTOWN  
MANHATTAN BEACH.

AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT I AM 100% IN SUPPORT OF OUTDOOR  
DINING.

OUTDOOR DINING SAVED MY STORE.

I KNOW IT SAVED MANY OF OUR BUSINESSES DOWNTOWN.

AND COUNCIL WAS SO GREAT IN MAKING THAT HAPPEN FOR ALL OF US AND  
FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

AND WHILE THERE HAVE CERTAINLY BEEN CHALLENGES.

PARKING AS WE KNOW AS ALWAYS BEEN A CHALLENGE.

WE CAN'T MAKE PARKING SPACES APPEAR OUT OF NO WHERE.

I WAS HAPPY TO GIVE UP MY PARKING SPOTS OUTSIDE OF MY SHOP TO  
HAVE THE OUTDOOR DINING.

RIGHT NOW WE'RE STILL SURVIVING.

WE NEED A LONG-TERM VISION FOR OUTDOOR DINING BUT I DON'T SUPPORT  
CLOSING IT DOWN AND COMING UP WITH THAT IDEA.

WE ALL KNOW THINGS CAN GET MUCKED AND MIRED IN LONG-TERM  
SOLUTIONS.

THE BEST THING TO HAPPEN WITH THE PANDEMIC IS OUTDOOR DINING  
HAPPENED.

IT NEVER COULD HAVE HAPPENED OTHERWISE BECAUSE THERE WOULD HAVE  
BEEN TOO MANY PEOPLE WEIGHING IN ON WHY NOT TO DO IT.

LET'S CREATE FROM THE TEMPORARY DECKS TO A LONG-TIME PLAN FOR THE  
RESIDENTS, BOTH THE DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS, THE RESIDENTS THAT LIVE  
THROUGHOUT THE MANHATTAN BEACH AND THE PEOPLE THAT LOVE TO  
VACATION AND COME TO MANHATTAN BEACH.

LET'S HELP PEOPLE MANHATTAN BEACH THE MOST AWESOME PLACE TO LIVE,  
VISIT AND HAVE OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS COME TO.

THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, KRIS, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> JIM ORLAND.

>> THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME.

I JUST WANT TO ECHO THE SENTIMENTS OF MY FELLOW FRIENDS AND  
RESIDENTS WHO HAVE SPOKEN HERE TONIGHT.

LIKE KRIS, I GREW UP IN MANHATTAN BEACH, MY WHOLE LIFE, SAVE FOR  
A FEW YEARS IN COLLEGE.

IT'S AN AMAZING PLACE.

THIS IS THE BEST TIME WE'VE EVER HAD FOR DINING MY ENTIRE LIFE.  
WHEN I WAS A KID, WE USED TO WALK DOWN TO ELSOMBRERO WHEN IT WAS  
NEXT TO LAMAR.

THERE ARE NO OUTDOOR PLACES.

NOW WE HAVE AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE.

IT'S KIND OF LIKE BEING IN EUROPE.

THE CAFES MAKE IT AN AMAZING PLACE.

I HOPE THAT WE CONTINUE WITH THIS AND DON'T BE SHORT-SIDED.

LONG-TERM OUTDOOR DINING IS THE WAY TO GO.  
WHILE WE'RE DECIDING THAT, LET'S KEEP IT OPEN.  
HELP OUT OUR RESTAURANT OWNERS, BUSINESSES, LET'S HELP THOSE WHO  
PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THERE FOR US.  
WHEN I ASKED FOR SUPPORT FOR CHARITY, MIKE SIMMS IS THE FIRST TO  
WRITE A CHECK.  
LET'S GIVE BACK TO THESE PEOPLE, KEEP IT GOING AND MAKE IT  
PERMANENT.  
THANK YOU.  
THANK YOU, JIM, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
NEXT COMMENT.  
>> LINDA McLAUGHLIN.  
>> HI.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.  
I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT TO THE EXTENT THERE IS A WINDFALL FROM  
THIS PANDEMIC AND COVID, IT HAS REALLY BEEN THE WAY THE CITY  
COUNCIL AND THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES HAVE RALLIED.  
AND OUTDOOR DINING HAS BEEN A BENEFIT TO ALL.  
AND AS KRIS AND OTHERS HAVE SAID, RETAILERS HAVE WILLINGLY GIVEN  
UP PARK IN THE SUPPORT OF OUR FELLOW BUSINESS OWNERS IN THE  
RESTAURANTS AS WELL AS JUST CONTRIBUTING TO THE LONG-TERM  
VIBRANCY OF THE TOWN.  
I ADVOCATE TO LEAVE THE DECKS OPEN AS THE OMICRON CONTINUES TO  
SURGE.  
IT SUPPORTS THE FELLOW BUSINESS OWNERS AND ITS HELPS MY BUSINESS  
AS WELL.  
I OWN A BOOKSTORE.  
WE'VE BEEN THERE FOR 12 YEARS.  
I'VE LIVED IN DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR 35 YEARS.  
AND I JUST WANT TO GO ON RECORD SAYING I SUPPORT ENTHUSIASTICALLY  
KEEPING THE DOWNTOWN OUTDOOR DINING OPTION AVAILABLE WHILE WE  
PURSUE A LONG-TERM SOLUTION WHICH WE CLEARLY NEED.  
IT'S SOMETHING THAT WOULD BENEFIT THE CITY AND OUR TOWN FOR A  
LONG TIME.  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, LINDA, FOR YOUR COMMENTS.  
NEXT COMMENT.  
>> JIM.  
>> YEAH, HIGH.  
I'M SITTING HERE HAVING A BEER AT SIMSY'S OUTDOOR.  
I SURE HOPE TO SHUT THIS DOWN.  
THANKS.  
[LAUGHTER]  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR SHARING THAT.  
NEXT COMMENT.  
>> NEXT IS MARC VENEGAS.  
>> YEAH, HI, THIS IS HEATHER.

MY HUSBAND MARC AND I HAVE BEEN RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH FOR OVER 22 YEARS AND WE HAVE VERY, VERY BIG FANS OF THE OUTDOOR DINING.

I JUST, I COULDN'T THANK THE COMMUNITY ENOUGH FOR MAKING THIS EVEN POSSIBLE.

IN THE 22 YEARS WE'VE BEEN HERE, HAVING SOMEONE JUST MENTIONED, WE'VE NEVER HAD THIS OPPORTUNITY BEFORE WHERE WE'RE SEEING OUR NEIGHBORS AND SITTING OUTSIDE AND WE'RE SAFELY HAVING AMAZING FOOD AND CONNECTING AGAIN, WHICH I THINK IS SO VITAL TO OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU -- MY PARENTS ARE HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TWO YEARS, THEY'RE IN THEIR 80s.

AND I JUST SAT DOWN WITH THEM AND OUR TWO BOYS, 10 AND 14, AND WE HAD THE MOST AMAZING DINNER AT MV POST, WE SAT OUTSIDE AND SAT SAFELY AND ENJOYED OURSELVES.

THAT IS A MEMORY I WILL HAVE FOREVER.

I DO NOT WANT THOSE MEMORIES TO END.

I IMPLORE YOU TO THINK CLOSELY ABOUT VERY MUCH ABOUT HOW DO WE CONTINUE THIS.

THIS IS VITAL TO OUR COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> THERE'S NO FURTHER REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS VIA ZOOM.

>> Mayor Stern: AND I WILL ASK ONE MORE TIME IF ANYBODY THAT IS IN CHAMBERS TONIGHT AT THIS TIME THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT.

I DON'T SEE ANYBODY ELSE COMING DOWN.

I WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT AND MOVE ON TO ITEM H, OUR COVID-19 REPORT.

AND I'M GOING TO TURN THAT OVER TO CITY MANAGER MOE FOR THE COVID-19 REPORT.

>> I BELIEVE THE NEXT ITEM IS THE OUTDOOR DINING DISCUSSION BEFORE THE COVID REPORT UNLESS YOU WANT TO REORDER THE AGENDA.

>> Mayor Stern: I'M SORRY.

YOU ARE RIGHT.

OKAY.

SO NOW IT IS THE DISCUSSION TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR THE OUTDOOR DINING DUE TO EXPIRE ON JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup>.

AND I WILL START THIS OFF BECAUSE I DID PUT THIS BACK ON THE AGENDA AND I JUST WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT AT OUR DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> MEETING WHEN WE WERE ALL UNDERSCORING SOME IMPORTANT POINT THAT I THINK ARE IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT.

WE TALKED ABOUT BROADLY UNDERSTANDING HOW MUCH OUR COMMUNITY ENJOYS OUTDOOR DINING.

AND THEN WE DID TALK ABOUT ALL OF THE LESSONS THAT WE LEARNED AND THE CONSEQUENCES, BOTH THE POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FROM OUTDOOR

DINING.

AND THAT THOSE WERE IMPORTANT FACTORS.

IT'S A LONG LIST AND WE HAVE TALKED A LOT ABOUT -- A LOT ABOUT MANY OF THEM TONIGHT.

AND THEN WHAT WE DID IDENTIFY AT THAT TIME WAS THAT THIS WAS A PAUSE.

THAT WE WERE PAUSING BUT WE DID ABSOLUTELY INTEND TO PURSUE THE LONG-TERM COMPREHENSIVE STUDY TO BRING BACK OUTDOOR DINING IN SOME DAY THAT WAS -- THAT DID HAVE A MORE BROAD AND THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPACTS.

BUT SINCE THAT DISCUSSION THERE HAS BEEN A VERY EFFECTIVE AND ROBUST CAMPAIGN AND SOCIAL MEDIA AND OTHER MEANS TO HAVE DINERS ALL OVER THE AREA EXPRESS THEIR SUPPORT OF OUTDOOR DINING.

AND THESE COMMUNICATIONS HAVE BASICALLY INCLUDED TWO REASONS. THE FIRST AND WHAT WE'RE HEARING A LOT OF AGAIN TONIGHT IS THAT OUTDOOR DINING HAS BEEN THE SILVER LINING THAT IS ONE OF THE BENEFITS THAT HAS COME OUT OF COVID AND WE SHOULD CONTINUE IT. AND I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT OUTDOOR DINING IS NOT ENDING.

WE HAVE A LOT OF OUTDOOR DINING.

WE HAD A LOT OF OUTDOOR DINING BEFORE COVID.

SO I WANT TO UNDERSCORE THAT, THAT, YOU KNOW, WE STILL DO HAVE MANY RESTAURANTS THAT HAVE SIDEWALK DINING, PATIO DINING AND OTHER USE OF RIGHT-OF-WAYS.

AND SO JUST TO -- WHATEVER WE DECIDE TONIGHT TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR RESTAURANTS THAT DO HAVE OUTDOOR DINING.

WE'VE HEARD ALL OF THESE COMMENTS AND THEY'VE WELL TAKEN.

ALL VALID REASONS TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE OUTDOOR DINING.

BUT I DIDN'T BRING IT BACK FOR THAT REASON.

I BROUGHT IT BACK FOR THE SECOND REASON THAT'S BEEN STATED, WHICH IS COVID.

WE STARTED THIS PROGRAM PRETTY EARLY WE ALL REMEMBER, MARCH OF 2020 BECAUSE OF THE HEALTH THREATS AND BECAUSE WE REALLY DID BELIEVE THAT THIS WAS A SAFER WAY TO ENJOY DINING CERTAINLY IN MANHATTAN BEACH AS WE WERE THE LEADERS IN THAT.

SINCE OUR LAST MEETING OF DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> WE HAVE HEARD DRASTIC CHANGES IN THE TRANSMISSION OF THIS LATEST COVID VARIANT AND IT IS FOR THAT REASON AND FOR THESE CHANGE FACTORS THAT I THINK IT WAS APPROPRIATE TO BRING THIS BACK FOR A DISCUSSION.

WE'VE HEARD FROM SO MANY OF YOU.

IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR US TO AT LEAST SAY WE HEAR YOU.

TO HEAR WHAT THE CONCERNS ARE.

AND FOR US TO DISCUSS THIS GIVEN THIS CHANGE, THESE CHANGE FACTORS.

TWO WEEKS AGO AT THIS TIME AT OUR DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> MEETING THE CDC SAID THAT OMICRON VARIANT ACCOUNTED FOR 0.4% OF ALL OF THE COVID CASES.

AND JUST LAST WEEK IT WENT TO 3%.  
AND THIS WEEK IT WENT TO 73%.  
SO WHAT WE'RE HEARING FROM OUR HEALTH -- FROM THE HEALTH OFFICIALS, IT IS VERY CONTAGIOUS AND TRANSMISSIBLE.  
EVEN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION SAID THAT THE VARIANT OF COVID VIRUS IS SPREADING SIGNIFICANTLY FASTER THAN DELTA WITH A DOUBLING TIME OF ONE TO THREE AND A HALF DAYS.  
I'M NOT GOING TO PLAY HEALTH EXPERT HERE.  
NONE OF US SHOULD.  
BUT WE DEVELOPED THIS AT THE START TO ADDRESS THE THREAT TO OUR HEALTH.  
AND NOW WE SHOULD ADDRESS THE THREAT TO OUR HEALTH.  
WE SHOULD HAVE THIS DISCUSSION.  
WE KNOW THAT THIS IS IMPORTANT TO OUR COMMUNITY BUT WE ALSO KNOW THAT WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT IMPACTS THAT WE DID NOT ANTICIPATE.  
BUT BECAUSE WE REPRESENT THIS COMMUNITY AND THIS COMMUNITY ALSO FEELS THIS IS AN IMPORTANT CHANGE CIRCUMSTANCE, THAT AT THE VERY LEAST WE SHOULD HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT IT.  
SO THE THINGS FOR US TO CONSIDER IS THE UPTICK IS REAL.  
WE HAVE THE HISTORY FROM LAST YEAR THAT AFTER THE WINTER HOLIDAYS THE TRANSMISSION NUMBERS SPIKED AND PEOPLE DID NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE EATING INDOORS.  
WE'RE LOOKING AT THAT SCENARIO AGAIN.  
SHUTTING DOWN OPPORTUNITIES TO DINE SAFELY DOES NOT FEEL APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME GIVEN THE CRYSTAL BALL THAT WE HAVE.  
OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER IS REALLY FOR HOW LONG.  
IF WE DETERMINE THAT WE WANT TO CONTINUE OUTDOOR DINING AFTER JANUARY 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
THAT IN LOOKING AT THE NUMBERS FROM LAST YEAR'S SURGE, THE NUMBERS CONTINUED AT A HIGH LEVEL UNTIL MARCH AT WHICH TIME THEY BEGAN TO STEADY DECLINE AGAIN, REACHING A SAFE LEVEL BY THE END OF THAT MONTH.  
AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I STAND BY MY COMMENTS THAT THE OUTDOOR DINING IS TEMPORARY.  
WE KNOW AND WE WILL UNDERSCORE THIS AGAIN.  
WE HAVE NOT DECIDED THAT WE ARE NOT GOING TO SUPPORT OUTDOOR DINING.  
JUST AS WE HAVE DONE FOR ALL OF THESE MONTHS, WE ARE GOING TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THE CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONSIDER, YOU KNOW, THESE CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES THAT'S WHY THIS IS ON THE AGENDA.  
IT'S ON THE AGENDA BECAUSE OF THE CHANGE WITH RESPECT TO COVID.  
SO THERE IS ONE PIECE OF THIS AND IT IS THE PIECE THAT IS ALSO OF CONCERN, WHICH IS THE REPAIR WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO BE COMPLETED THIS WINTER.  
AND I WILL ASK OUR PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, ERICK LEE, IF WE CAN OUTLINE FOR US WHAT THAT REPAIR WORK LOOKS LIKE FOR DOWNTOWN.  
IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING OF.

AND IT ALSO INCLUDES REPAIR ON THE LOWER PIER PARKING LOT AND THE REPAIRS TO LOT 3.

SO ERICK, MAYBE AT THIS TIME YOU CAN HELP US UNDERSTAND THAT.

>> GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

I'M ERICK LEE.

THE TWO MAJOR PROJECTS WE HAVE GOING ON IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA FOR EARLY '22 ARE THE PARKING LOT 3 REPAIRS THAT WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT WITH COUNCIL A FEW MONTHS AGO.

THAT WORK IS SCHEDULED TO START IN JANUARY AND WILL BE WRAPPED UP CERTAINLY BY THE END OF MAY.

THESE ARE REPAIRS THAT ARE NEEDED FOR THAT STRUCTURE.

WE DID SOME TEMPORARY REPAIRS OVER THE SUMMER TO KEEP IT IN SERVICE BUT THESE REPAIRS ARE DEFINITELY NEEDED.

CONTRACT HAS BEEN AWARDED AND OUR CONTRACTOR IS PREPARING TO MOBILIZE.

THE OTHER PROJECT WE HAVE IS A SLURRY SEAL PROJECT.

AS YOU'LL RECALL WE WERE LOOKING TO DO THE WHOLE ENTIRE SAND SECTION AND THEN ALSO PART OF WHAT WE CALL AREA 6, JUST ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SOUTH SECTION TO THE EAST.

OUR BIDS CAME IN HIGHER THAN WERE ANTICIPATED AND WE REJECTED ALL BIDS.

AND THEN WE NARROWED THE SCOPE OF THE PROJECT.

THE NARROWED SCOPE WE RECEIVED BIDS TWO WEEKS AGO, ON THE 9<sup>th</sup>, WE'RE PROCESSING THOSE NOW.

THAT PROJECT IS GOING TO BE A SCALED-DOWN VERSION OF WHAT WE'RE LOOKING TO DO PRIMARILY FOCUSING ON THE CENTRAL PART OF THE SAND SECTION, SOUTH OF MARINE DOWN JUST SOUTH OF DOWNTOWN.

AND SO THAT'S A PROJECT THAT IS -- WE'RE PROCESSING THE PAPERWORK RIGHT NOW, LOOKING AT THE BIDS, BRINGING ANALYSIS BACK TO THE COUNCIL ON JANUARY 18<sup>th</sup>.

TALKING TO THE CONTRACTOR COMMUNITY, THEY HAVE PROVIDED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE BEFORE.

MOST NOTABLY THAT THE SLURRY SEAL WORK THAT WE'RE PLANNING TO DO WHICH WOULD NOT ONLY REPAIR THE STREETS AND KEEP THEM IN GOOD REPAIR, ALSO NEW STRIPING AND JUST REFRESHING ALL OF THAT PAVEMENT, WE WERE ORIGINALLY PLANNING TO DO THE ENTIRE WORK, ALL OF THE ROADS, BUT -- AND THE DINING DECKS WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE TO BE REMOVED TO DO THAT.

WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED IS THERE'S A WAY TO DO THIS WORK WHERE WE COULD GO AROUND THESE DECKS AND FOR SAKE OF ARGUMENT AT THE END OF THE PROJECT, END OF TEMPORARY OUTDOOR DINING, WE WOULD HAVE PATCHES THROUGHOUT DOWNTOWN THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE FIXED AT THAT POINT IN TIME.

AND SO THE VAST MAJORITY OF THAT WORK COULD BE DONE AND FOR SAME OF ARGUMENT -- I'M NOT SURE HOW MANY DECKS WE HAVE RIGHT NOW.

LET'S SAY WE HAVE 40 DECKS.

WE WOULD HAVE 40 PATCHES WHEN OUTDOOR DINING WAS ULTIMATELY

COMPLETED, WE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND ESSENTIALLY RESLURRY THOSE AREAS.

SO THE OPPORTUNITY THAT THE CITY HAS, IF THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT THE COUNCIL WOULD WANT TO DO, IS WE COULD DO A LOT OF THE REPAIR WORK AND THEN WE COULD COME BACK WITH A CLEANUP EFFORT, ADDITIONAL COST, ADDITIONAL BID PROCESS, AND IT WOULD NOT BE AS SEAMLESS AS WE WERE ORIGINALLY ENVISIONING, HOWEVER IT COULD BE DONE.

THE IMPACT TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE WOULD BE, AT THE END OF TEMPORARY OUTDOOR DINING WHERE THE DECKS ARE GONE, WE WOULD HAVE PATCHES, WE REDO THOSE PATCHES AT THAT TIME AND THOSE PATCHES WOULD BE, FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, NEWER THAN THE WORK WE'RE PLANNING TO DO RIGHT NOW.

BUT OVER TIME, WITHIN A COUPLE OF YEARS, THE FADING OF THE SUN AND WHAT NOT, IT WOULD ALL BLEND TOGETHER.

AND AT SOME POINT IN TIME YEARS FROM NOW THIS COULD BE DONE AS A COMPLETE PROJECT AGAIN WHEN WE END UP DOING THAT WORK SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT YEARS FROM NOW.

THE OTHER PIECE OF THIS PUZZLE IS THE LOWER PIER LOTS WHICH ARE IN CLEAR NEED OF REPAIR.

AND WE THINK THAT WORK COULD BE DONE IN TWO WEEKS START TO FINISH.

REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE ENTIRE PROJECT IS GREENLIGHTED OR IF OUTDOOR DINING IS EXTENDED, WE, AS THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, ARE RECOMMENDING THAT THOSE LOTS GET RESLURRIED.

IT MIGHT NECESSITATE DOING ANOTHER BID PROCESS TO DO THAT WORK. IN THE ENTIRE PROJECT IS ABANDONED BUT WE CERTAINLY THINK WE HAVE TIME TO DO THAT AS WELL.

>> Mayor Stern: MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: WHAT'S THE COST OF ALL OF THE CHANGES?

>> THE ORIGINAL PROMPT WAS GOING TO BE OVER A MILLION DOLLARS, WE SCALED IT DOWN.

WE'RE WORKING THROUGH BIDS RIGHT NOW AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR THE BIDS PROBABLY COME IN UNDER A MILLION DOLLARS, I WOULD HOPE WELL UNDER A MILLION DOLLARS, WITHIN BUDGET.

IF WE DO PURSUE --

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: THESE WOULD BE CHANGE ORDERS.

SO WHAT WOULD THE CHANGE ORDERS --

>> THE CONTRACTOR WE AWARDED THE BID TO HAVE TO WORK AROUND THE DECKS, THERE'S REMEDIATION WORK -- I GUESS THERE'S PREVENTIVE WORK THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE DECKS DON'T GET SPLASHED WITH ASPHALT, POTENTIAL REMEDIATION WORK IF SOME OF THAT DAMAGE DOES OCCUR.

IT'S GOING TO TAKE THE CONTRACTOR LONGER.

SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL CUSHION DATES IN A SCHEDULE WOULD PROBABLY BE LAST AND ULTIMATELY MAYOR PRO TEM WE WOULD BE INCURRING CHANGE



ORDERS AT AN ADDITIONAL COST.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: HOW MUCH THOUGH?  
DO WE HAVE A GUESS OF HOW MUCH THE DIFFERENCE WOULD BE?  
>> TEN TO 20%.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: 10 TO 20% OF --  
>> BETWEEN 1 AND \$200,000 EXTRA.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: WHEN IS THIS SUPPOSED TO TAKE PLACE?  
LET'S SAY WE DO THE SLURRY SEAL AROUND THE EXISTING DECKS.  
WHEN ARE WE GOING COME BACK AND DO THE OTHERS?  
WHEN ARE WE GOING TO COME BACK AND DO THE AREA UNDER THE DECK?  
THERE'S NO COMMITMENT BY ANYONE BEING MADE THAT THIS CAMPAIGN IS  
GOING TO CONTINUE ON, REGARDLESS OF ANY DATE THAT WE CHOOSE TO  
ADDRESS THIS.

WHAT DOES THAT --

>> I THINK WE COME BACK WITH A PROJECT TO FIX THOSE PATCHES, SO  
TO SPEAK, ONCE THERE WAS A DEFINED PLAN TO REMOVE THE TEMPORARY  
DECKS.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: SO EVEN A YEAR FROM NOW WE COULD DO  
THAT AT A \$200,000 PRICE?

>> THE PATCH WORK WOULD BE ABOVE THE 1 TO 200,000 THAT I JUST  
SUGGESTED.

JUST TO GET OUR CONTRACTOR TO COME IN NOW AND WORK AROUND THE  
DECKS IS GOING TO TAKE ADDITIONAL TIME AND SO THAT -- AND WORK.  
AND SO WE'RE PROBABLY LOOKING AT AN ADDITIONAL 1 OR \$200,000 MORE  
JUST TO GET THE WORK --

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: OH, OKAY.  
GOT IT.

OKAY.

>> SO WE COME BACK WITH A REBID TO FIX THAT PATCH WORK, I'M NOT  
SURE WHAT THE PRICING WOULD BE ON THE PATCH WORK.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: OKAY.

SO THE 1 TO 200,000 IS TO DO JUST THE CURRENT EXISTING AROUND THE  
DECKS, NOT TO DO THE AREAS COVERED BY THE DECKS AFTER THEY'RE  
REMOVED.

>> CORRECT.

BECAUSE THERE'S -- THE CONTRACTOR IS GOING TO HAVE TO WORK AROUND  
SPACES THAT WERE NOT ORIGINALLY SPECCEDED OUT IN OUR BID.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: OKAY.  
THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY DID YOU HAVE A QUESTION?

>> Councilmember Montgomery: THE EXTRA COST IS NOT INCLUDED IN  
OUR BID.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.

>> Councilmember Franklin: I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANK.

>> Councilmember Franklin: THANK YOU.

DOES THIS SLURRY PROJECT, IS IT GOING OVER THE EXISTING SURFACE OR DOES THE SURFACE HAVE TO BE DUG DOWN AT ALL?

>> [INDISCERNIBLE] SOMETIMES WE'RE TAKING OUT, YOU KNOW, MAYBE AN INCH OR TWO OF ASPHALT.

IT'S REMOVING EXISTING STRIPING.

IT'S CRACK SEALING WHERE WE'VE GOT CRACKS AND PUTTING A VERY THIN LAYER ON ASPHALT ON TOP JUST TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING STREET.

>> Councilmember Franklin: THEY'RE ABLE TO GET UP -- I'M THINKING OF THE BARRIER THAT'S THERE NOW THAT HAS THE WOOD COVERING, THE WATER BARRIERS, THEY'RE ABLE TO GET UP CLOSE ENOUGH TO THAT, TO HAVE A GOOD SEAL WITH THAT.

>> THEY WOULD GET AS CLOSE TO THE EXISTING DECKS AS THEY SAFELY COULD AND REASONABLY COULD WITH THE IDEA THAT WE WOULD COME BACK WITH WHAT I'M CALLING THE PATCH WORK, WHICH IS NOT THE TECHNICAL TERM, AT A LATER DATE.

>> Councilmember Franklin: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

NO?

OKAY.

THANK YOU, DIRECTOR LEE.

SO I DO HAVE ONE OTHER THING I WANT TO SAY BEFORE I OPEN THIS UP TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR COMMENTS.

AND I'M GOING TO PROBABLY PUT OUT THERE WHAT IS MAYBE A LITTLE BIT UNCOMFORTABLE.

BUT THIS ISN'T A NEW CONVERSATION WE'VE HAD.

WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE EFFECTS OF OUTDOOR DINING AND IT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP IN COUNCIL MEETINGS, IT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP IN SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS, ALL OF THE DIFFERENT BOARDS OF THE DIFFERENT AREAS OF OUR CITY HAVE DISCUSSED THIS.

AND CLEARLY IT'S BEEN TALKED ABOUT ON OUR STREETS.

RESIDENTS HAVE MENTIONED IT.

AND THIS ISN'T NEW TO US IN THESE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF HAVING THESE DINING DECKS ON OUR PARKING SPOTS IS NOT A SECRET.

WHETHER TO RESIDENTS, OTHER BUSINESSES, THE CITY, THESE IMPACTS HAVE BEEN VOICED LOUD AND CLEAR AND THIS HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY TRUE ON DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> WHEN EACH OF US SPOKE TO THESE IMPACTS.

BUT TO THE RESTAURANTS AND THE RESTAURANT OWNER WITH THE DINING DECKS, WE HAVE HEARD ROBUSTLY FROM YOUR PATRONS WHO SUPPORT YOU. YOU'VE ASKED THEM TO CONTACT US AND THEY HAVE.

BUT TO THE RESTAURANT OWNERS, I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM ANY OF YOU, THE EXCEPTION OF ONE RESTAURANT OWNER WHO DOESN'T FEEL BENEFITED BY THE DECKS, MOST CONCERNING TO ME IS I HAVEN'T HEARD HOW TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE CONSEQUENCES.

WE JUST HEARD ABOUT REPAIRS TO THE ROADS.

WE HAVE TO CLEAR THE STORM DRAINS.

WE'VE HAD A PLEA FROM THE BUSINESSES IN NORTH MANHATTAN TO TAKE DOWN THE DECKS.

WE HAVE DECKS THAT EFFECTIVELY HAVE THREE WALLS SURROUNDING THE DECKS THAT BLOCK THE LINE OF SIGHT TO ADJACENT BUILDINGS, BUSINESSES.

RESTAURANTS WITH DECKS THAT ARE NOT OPEN DURING THE DAY WHICH CAN'T CLAIM THAT THE INCREASED FOOT TRAFFIC HELP OTHER BUSINESSES SINCE THEY'RE NOT OPEN AT THE TIME THAT THE BUSINESSES ARE. THEY HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT SIMPLE SOLUTIONS, LIKE NOT HAVING PATRONS CONGREGATE ON THE SIDEWALK WAITING ON A TABLE, RESTAURANTS WHO THEREFORE HAVE OUTDOOR DINING BUT ALSO HAVE DECKS IN OUR PARKING SPOTS.

SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WHILE WE ARE THINKING OF THIS FOR COVID, I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HEAR FROM THE RESTAURANT OWNERS AS WELL ON HOW TO -- HOW OVER -- IF WE EXTEND THIS AND WE KNOW THAT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS SOME OTHER TEMPORARY EXTENSION, IF THAT'S THE WAY THAT THIS GOES, THAT WE ALSO HEAR ABOUT HOW TO BE A PARTNER TO OUR OTHER BUSINESS DISTRICT, TO OUR OTHER BUSINESSES, TO OUR RESIDENTS, TO OUR CITY, TO ALLEVIATE SOME OF THE IMPACTS.

THIS IS THE TIME WHEN WE COULD BE HAVING THIS KIND OF, YOU KNOW, AN EXPERIMENT, IF WE EXTEND THIS.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR --

>> YOUR HONOR --

>> Mayor Stern: -- FROM THEM AS WELL.

MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: COULD I ASK A QUESTION OF THE CITY MANAGER?

>> Mayor Stern: YES.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: WE'VE HEARD THE NEED ABOUT HELPING FOLKS OUT, HELPING THE RESTAURANTS OUT, HELPING DOWNTOWN AS IF WE HAVEN'T.

SO THE SALES TAX, I UNDERSTAND WE HAVE SOME INFORMATION ON SALES TAX FROM CURRENT, WHAT WAS BEFORE.

SO CAN YOU LET COUNCIL KNOW WHAT THAT IS?

>> YES, IF YOU'LL JUST GIVE ME A MOMENT, PLEASE.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: YES.

>> SO IN GENERAL IT'S HIGHER THAN IT WAS PRE-PANDEMIC.

OF COURSE LAST CALENDAR YEAR WAS NOT GOOD.

BUT THIS YEAR, SECOND QUARTER OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR, WE SAW INCREASES OF 30% IN THE DOWNTOWN, DOWNTOWN WIDE OVER WHAT IT WAS IN 2019.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: WE DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S RETAIL OR RESTAURANT?

>> IT'S MOSTLY RESTAURANT.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: SO I WILL OPEN THIS UP TO OTHER COMMENTS OR

QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES.

YES, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

>> Councilmember Franklin: YES, THANK YOU, MAYOR STERN.

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

IT'S GOOD FOR US TO HEAR ALL SIDES OF AN ISSUE, FROM MANY RESIDENTS, BUSINESS OWNERS, VISITORS, AND I THINK IT'S A FIRST FROM A CUSTOMER AT A BAR.

SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT.

[LAUGHTER]

AS YOU KNOW, WE WORK ON RESIDENTS' BEHALF TO STUDY AND ANALYZE ISSUE WHICH AFFECT MANY DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS IN THE COMMUNITY. THESE PAST FEW MONTHS WE'VE MADE DECISION AFTER DECISION DURING THE EMERGENCY TO CREATE AND THEN EXTEND THE USE OF OUTDOOR DECKS. SINCE SO MANY RESIDENTS ENJOYED THE BENEFITS OF OUTDOOR DINING, AND WE'VE HEARD FROM YOU, THE COUNCIL CONTINUALLY SAID WE WANT TO CREATE A MORE PERMANENT SOLUTION.

AS I STATED IN MY COMMENTS AT THE DECEMBER 7 CITY COUNCIL MEETING, PROVIDING EMERGENCY OUTSIDE DINING REQUIRED COOPERATION SACRIFICE FROM EVERYONE INVOLVED.

DOWNTOWN RETAILERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO RELY HEAVY ON PARKING FOR THEIR CUSTOMERS, DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS WHO HAVE REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS OF QUIET ENJOYMENT IN THEIR COMMUNITY WHERE MANY HAVE LIVED FOR DECADES, AND RESIDENTS AND VISITORS WHO WANT TO HAVE ACCESS TO ENJOY OUR BEACH OR SIMPLY TAKE A QUIET WALK DOWNTOWN.

OUR CITY IS BLESSED WITH MANY THINGS BUT WE DON'T HAVE WIDE, FLAT ROADS OR A LARGE PLAZA OR STREETS THAT LEND THEMSELVES TO CLOSURE.

WE'VE LEARNED THAT.

ALL OF THESE, YOU KNOW -- ALL OF THESE COULD PROVIDE PRACTICAL AND SAFE OUTDOOR DINING.

HOWEVER, WE ALREADY HAVE IT WITH THE TEMPORARY DECKS BUT THEN THERE HAVE BEEN 26 RESTAURANTS WHICH UTILIZE SIDEWALK DINING PERMITS AND STILL HAVE OUTDOOR DINING.

RESTAURANTS HAVE BEEN OPEN FOR 100% OCCUPANCY PRE-COVID LEVELS. WE UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGE OF PEOPLE NOT WANTING TO SIT INDOORS. AND TO THIS MOMENT THEY STILL ARE OPEN AT 100%.

BUT AS ALWAYS, WE CLOSELY MONITOR COVID STATS AND MAKE NEW ASSESSMENTS ACCORDINGLY.

IT'S COVID.

AND THE VARIANTS.

AND THE COUNTY'S HEALTH ORDERS WHICH ARE CAUSING THE ONGOING CONCERN.

EVERYONE HAS A GREAT TIME EATING OUTDOORS.

I THINK WE ALL HAVE ON COUNCIL.

AND OUR WEATHER IS PERFECT FOR IT.

BUT WE HAVE TO RESPECT THE NEEDS OF THE RETAIL STORES AND THE

RESIDENTS WHO LIVE ADJACENT TO THE COMMERCIAL ZONE.  
ONE CAN ARGUE THEY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE GETTING WHEN THEY CHOSE TO LIVE CLOSE TO A COMMERCIAL AREA.  
BUT MOST EVERY ONE OF THEM MADE THEIR DECISION TO LIVE IN THE AREA BEFORE COVID WITH NO DINING DECKS, WITH THEIR INCREASED TRAFFIC, NOISE AND REDUCED PARKING.  
SO WE'VE BEEN A GOOD PARTNER WITH OUR RESTAURANTS.  
WE'VE DEFERRED CHARGES FOR THE COST OF THE PARKING SPACE REAL ESTATE FOR WELL OVER A YEAR.  
AND WHEN WE FINALLY DID CHARGE RESTAURANTS FOR THE OUTDOOR SPACE IN NOVEMBER, WE VOTED TO CHARGE A MODEST \$1 PER SQUARE FOOT.  
AND THAT'S BELOW THE MARKET COST OF WHAT I'M TOLD IS \$8 A SQUARE FOOT.  
HOWEVER THE STORES ARE ENTITLED TO SOME RELIEF AFTER 18 MONTHS OF ACCOMMODATING THE DINING DECKS.  
I LIKEN IT TO A CONSTRUCTION SITE.  
WHERE WE LIVE, WE -- IF THERE'S CONSTRUCTION, WE TEND TO HEAR FROM NEARBY RESIDENTS.  
THERE'S A GREAT DEAL OF NOISE AND ADDITIONAL PARKING SPOTS ON THE STREET THAT ARE TAKEN BY CONSTRUCTION WORKERS.  
THIS GOES ON FOR MONTHS A THE A TIME, SOMETIMES A YEAR, BUT RARELY MORE THAN 18 MONTHS.  
NOW IMAGINE THIS SITUATION AROUND YOUR HOME UNTIL 10 OR 11 P.M. EACH AND EVERY DAY INSTEAD OF JUST DURING CONSTRUCTION HOURS.  
YOU MAY WANT TO OPEN YOUR WINDOWS TO CATCH THE OCEAN BREEZE.  
BUT YOU CAN'T BECAUSE OF THE NOISE.  
OR YOU HAVE SLEEPING CHILDREN WHO NEED TO TAKE NAPS DURING THE DAY.  
OR YOU SIMPLY MAY HAVE FRIENDS WHO ARE COMING OVER FOR DINNER BUT THEY CAN'T FIND PARKING.  
I'D LIKE TO SEE THE RESTAURANTS BE AS GOOD NEIGHBORS AS POSSIBLE IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND DO MORE TO MITIGATE THE NOISE AND CROWDED SIDEWALKS.  
TRAFFIC CAN BE REDUCED BY INCLUDING DETAILED DIRECTION TO THE PARKING STRUCTURES.  
YOU KNOW, WHEN A RESERVATION IS CONCERNED.  
THIS SAVES TIME AND POLLUTION DRIVING AROUND LOOKING FOR PARKING.  
THE CITY IS HELPING BY INSTALLING A PARKING INVENTORY SIGN OUTSIDE THE ENTRANCE TO [INDISCERNIBLE].  
A LARGE SIGN HAS BEEN INSTALLED TO SHOW AVAILABLE PARKING AT THE CIVIC CENTER PARKING LOT.  
ALSO PERHAPS CUSTOMERS WAITING FOR TABLES COULD RECEIVE A TEXT WHEN THEIR TABLE IS READY AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO WALK AROUND DOWNTOWN AND NOT CROWD THE SIDEWALKS AROUND YOUR RESTAURANTS.  
AND RESTAURANT PATRONS COULD BE GENTLY REMINDED THAT THEY'RE PART OF A NEIGHBORHOOD AND TEMPER THEIR VOICES.  
IT'S REASONABLE TO EXPECT A HIGH PRIORITY ON OUTDOOR DINING TO

INCLUDE NEW DECKS FULLY VETTED BY ALL A STAKEHOLDERS AND IN PUBLIC WITH FULL TRANSPARENCY.  
AS IT SHOULD, THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR A MORE STABLE, SAVE AND LONG-TERM SOLUTION WILL GET ALL OF THE PUBLIC'S AND STAKEHOLDERS' INPUT TO MAKE A SOUND DECISION.  
AS DESIGN ELEMENTS UNFOLD AND PROJECT COSTS CAN BE ACCURATELY ESTIMATED, EACH RESTAURANT CAN MAKE AN ECONOMIC DECISION TO INVEST IN NEW PERMANENT DECKS.  
WE'VE LEARNED A LOT OF WHAT HAS WORKED AND WHAT HAS NOT AND THAT CAN SHORTEN THIS STUDY TIME.  
I SUPPORT THE PLANNING FOR OUTDOOR DINING TO BE PRIORITIZED WITH OUR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF AND I'LL CONSIDER ALLOWING DINING TO SIMULTANEOUSLY CONTINUE AS LONG AS THE COUNTY AND STATE EMERGENCY ORDERS ARE IN PLACE.  
AND I'LL WAIT TO HEAR OTHER COMMENTS.  
>> Mayor Stern: WOULD ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT.  
>> ARE WE TAKING PUBLIC COMMENT?  
>> Mayor Stern: WE WILL.  
[ OFF MIC.  
>> Mayor Stern: WE'RE DURING COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS --  
[ OFF MIC ]  
>> I CAN'T HEAR THE CONVERSATION GOING ON THERE.  
>> Mayor Stern: DID YOU WANT TO MAKE COMMENTS NOW, MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO?  
>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: NO, BUT I WILL.  
I FIND IT A LITTLE FUNNY HOW WE'RE HAVING A CONVERSATION ABOUT OMICRON AND PUBLIC SAFETY WHEN COUNCIL, STAFF AND PUBLIC IS INDOORS TALKING ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF BEING OUTDOORS.  
BUT ASIDE FROM THAT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S SO MUCH I COULD SAY BUT I'LL SPARE.  
WE'VE GONE THROUGH A COUPLE OF HOURS OF THIS.  
I THINK A LOT OF THIS IS OVERBLOWN.  
I THINK A LOT OF THIS COULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS.  
BUT AS CAMPAIGNS GO, THERE ARE EFFECTS FROM THOSE THINGS.  
SO IT WILL BE DRUG OUT LONGER.  
THAT'S FINE.  
BUT FOR NOW, YOU KNOW, THESE WERE PUT IN TO ADDRESS SAFETY AND WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO ADDRESS SAFETY.  
I WOULD HAVE PIVOTED ON THIS WITHOUT THE INPUT FROM THE DOWNTOWN OR ANYONE ELSE, FRANKLY, BECAUSE OF THE RISE IN NUMBERS JUST AS WE SHUT DOWN OUR OWN, WELL, THREAD OF THE NEEDLE THAT WE DID LAST DECEMBER WHEN WE DEFIED THE COUNTY.  
I PUSHED FOR THAT AT THAT TIME.  
AND THEN I ALSO PARTICIPATED IN SHUTTING IT DOWN WHEN THE NUMBERS WENT SKY HIGH.  
NUMBERS HAVE GONE SKY HIGH AGAIN, IT'S TIME TO ADDRESS THAT.

WE CAN ADDRESS THAT BY SUPPORTING OUTDOOR DINING.  
AND I'M HIGHLY DOUBTFUL THAT IT WILL BE SHUT DOWN.  
I THINK THE CASE FOR SHUTDOWNS IN AN ELECTION YEAR IS VERY LOW.  
I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, WE'LL DO ALL WE CAN WITH VACCINES.  
I CAN SEE THAT HAPPENING HERE AS HAVING A PROOF OF VACCINATION.  
I WOULDN'T DOUBT THAT.  
I THINK A LOT OF ISSUES HAVE BEEN CONFLATED HERE.  
I THINK IT'S SAD.  
I THINK IT'S MORE ADVERSARIAL AND TO ME THE RESULT OF THAT IS  
SEEING WHAT THE TAX RECEIPTS ARE BETTER THAN PRE-PANDEMIC.  
I THINK IT'S TIME TO PUT SOME BACK INTO THE CITY AND MAKE IT  
WHOLE.  
I DON'T EXPECT THE BUSINESSES TO GIVE EVERYTHING AWAY.  
NOTHING SHOULD BE EXPECTED OF THE CITY TO GIVE EVERYTHING AWAY.  
WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE PRIVATE USE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR  
PRIVATE GAIN AND EXCLUSIVE USE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY -- THAT'S ONE  
OF THE LONG-TERM.  
PEOPLE ARE BUILT, REBUILT THEIR BUSINESSES, THEIR RESTAURANTS  
WITH GARAGE DOORS, OPEN PATIO AREAS, JUST NOT ENOUGH.  
NOT ENOUGH TO SATISFY OBVIOUSLY THE DESIRE TO HAVE THAT TYPE OF  
EXPERIENCE.  
THAT'S WHAT WE'RE HEARING.  
BUT THE QUESTION LIMITS WHOSE PROPERTY AND AT WHAT COST.  
AND THE PROPERTY RIGHT NOW IS THE CITY'S.  
IT'S THE PUBLIC'S TIME TO IMPOSE THE MARKET RATE WE HAVE HAD FOR  
AND THEN DO A STUDY OF WHAT MARKET RATE SHOULD BE.  
I THINK IF WE CONTINUE ON AT THIS POINT COME JANUARY 3rd, WE  
SHOULD BE CHARGING \$3 A SQUARE FOOT FOR THE SPACES AND DO A STUDY  
WHAT THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT BUT \$3 IS THE HISTORIC AMOUNT FOR  
UNCLE BILL'S CAFE THAT GOES BACK FOR YEARS.  
GOODNESS KNOWS THAT'S NOT WHAT MARKET RATE IS.  
\$1 IS TOKEN.  
WE HAVE THINGS TO DO.  
WE WILL DELAY THE SLURRY SEAL.  
STATE DOLLARS ARE TO IMPROVE CITYWIDE, NOT JUST HERE AND THERE.  
IT'S TIME TO STEP UP, I THINK, AND SHOW THIS CLEVER WAY.  
I THINK PART OF THAT IS THE PROPER APPROPRIATE FEE IS CHARGED  
BECAUSE, AGAIN, I DON'T HAVE ANY FAITH THIS TIME THAT WE HAVE  
CERTAINTY THAT WE ARE NOT GOING TO BE BACK HERE IN A COUPLE  
MONTHS WITH THE SAME KIND OF CAMPAIGN.  
SO I WOULD CHARGE FOR THIS GOING FORWARD AT AN APPROPRIATE RATE.  
HISTORICAL IT'S \$3 A SQUARE FOOT.  
THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?  
>> R. Montgomery: BEAR WITH ME, I HAVE A COUPLE POINTS TO  
ADDRESS.

I HAVE HEARD THE COMMENTS, I WANT TO ADDRESS THREE BASIC ITEMS. THE FIRST, UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IDEA THAT THE COUNCIL SURPRISED ANYONE WITH THE IDEA OF MOVING TEMPORARY DECKS IN JANUARY. JIM BURTON TALKED ABOUT IT EARLIER. IT WAS AUGUST 2021. THAT'S WHEN WE FIRST TALKED AND VOTED ON IT. NO ONE REACTED. BUT SOMEHOW THEY WERE SURPRISED. CAME OUT OF THE CAMPAIGN AND THE LOCAL MEDIA, I WON'T SAY ALL OF THEM, OUR LOCAL MEDIA SOMEHOW TOOK THE HOOK LINE AND SINKER THAT THE COUNCIL SURPRISED THE RESTAURANT AND DINING DECKS WHICH IS FAR FROM THE TRUTH. OF COURSE, THE FACTS ARE A GOOD STORY, A PERFECT ONE FOR YOU THERE. SOMEONE MENTIONED EARLIER THE FACT THAT WE HAVE HAD OUTDOOR DINING. THE COUNCIL ISN'T TALKING ABOUT CLOSING OUTDOOR DINING EVER. 36 PERMITS. UNCLE BILLS HAD. OUTDOOR DINING WAS NEVER EVER IN JEOPARDY. IT'S NOT TRUE. ALL OF US REMEMBER, WE WERE ALL HERE IN MARCH, ALL OF YOU, WHEN THIS COUNCIL MET THREE DAYS A WEEK WITH STAFF, TO WORK ON THE WEEKENDS TO MAKE SURE DECKS WOULD GET BUILT. THE FIRST CITY TO DO IT. WE PUT IT OUT THERE TO HELP EVERYBODY OUT. YES, THEY WERE HAPPY. NOT HAPPY NOW. IT WAS RIGHT TO DO THEN, AND WE DON'T REGRET IT WHATSOEVER. WE KEPT EVERYBODY GOING. IT WAS A TEAM EFFORT. THE RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, COUNCIL AND STAFF, IT WAS A TEAM EFFORT, A COMBINED EFFORT. THERE WAS NO CRITICISM FROM ANYWHERE UNTIL NOW. THE RESENTMENT IS THERE. I HEAR ABOUT IT. WE TALKED ABOUT THE EMAILS; COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN TALKED ABOUT IT. TWO HUNDRED PLUS EMAILS, MAJORITY RESIDENTS, RIGHTLY SO. NOT SURPRISINGLY EMPLOYEES OF RESTAURANTS, AGAIN, UNDERSTANDABLE. THE REST, VISITORS, WHICH IS GREAT. I'M HAPPY FOR THEM. BUT THEY WERE NOT ALL IN AGREEMENT. LET'S NOT FOOL OURSELVES WITH THAT ONE. IT PALES IN COMPARISON TO THE THOUSANDS I RECEIVED AS MAYOR DURING BLACK LIVES MATTER PROTEST. THIS IS NOT THE SAME DEFINITION OF EMAIL BLASTS OF COUNCIL IN OUR



TIME.  
I WILL READ YOU A COUPLE COMMENTS ABOUT THE EMAIL.  
THE MAIN THING I WANT TO SAY IS MOST RESIDENTS, 98% POLITE,  
DISAGREEMENT, FINE.  
WE GET ALL THAT.  
PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO FRUSTRATION, EVEN ANGER.  
THEY DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO THREATEN.  
BLACK LIVES MATTER, TRIED IT ON ME AND THE CITY COUNCIL LAST  
YEAR, WE RESISTED.  
IT DIDN'T WORK WELL FOR THEM.  
THE PEOPLE I'M TALKING ABOUT HERE, EMAILED COUNCIL OR ME ABOUT  
THREATS TO US.  
YOU KNOW, WE HAVE YOUR NAMES.  
WE HAVE THE EMAIL.  
SO REMEMBER, IT'S ALL PUBLIC RECORD.  
REMEMBER THAT GOING FORWARD NEXT TIME YOU EMAIL US OR TEXT US OR  
CALL US.  
WE HAVE THAT.  
IT DOESN'T WORK FOR YOU.  
IT WORKS AGAINST YOU.  
I WILL READ PART OF A LETTER FROM A RESIDENT, A NATIVE.  
LET ME READ IT SO THAT YOU HEAR.  
SOMEONE ELSE'S POINT OF VIEW WHO DIDN'T WANT TO SPEAK TONIGHT BUT  
HAS NO PROBLEM EMAILING AND FACEBOOK.  
SHOCKED AND SADDENED BY THE CAMPAIGN BY SOME IN OUR COMMUNITY,  
SPREAD STATEMENTS AND PLAIN UNTRUTH REGARDING OUTDOOR DINING IN  
MANHATTAN BEACH.  
COUNCIL NEVER MENTIONED.  
WE REPRESENT THE ENTIRE CITY.  
NOT JUST DOWNTOWN.  
THE NORTH END.  
ROSECRANS.  
AVIATION, ARTESIA.  
SEPULVEDA.  
THERE ARE MANY LEGAL CONFORMING OUTDOOR DINING OPTIONS THROUGHOUT  
OUR TOWN.  
SOME ROOFTOP DECKS.  
SOME WITH DECKS PROTRUDING OVER SIDEWALKS.  
OTHER WITH FRONTS.  
WHAT THE CITY COUNCIL DID DECIDE WAS TO ALLOW NO MORE EXTENSIONS  
AFTER THREE TIMES OF THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT ALLOWING DRINKING AND  
DINING IN OUR STREETS AND PARKING STALLS.  
WHICH THE COUNCIL WAIVED ALL FEES FOR.  
IT'S BEEN MET BY INCREASING UNHAPPINESS BY SURROUNDING BUSINESSES  
AND RESIDENTS.  
THE DECKS WERE KNOWN TO ALL OF US TO BE TEMPORARY.  
THE COUNCIL HEARS YOU.

I AGREE WITH THAT.  
THE COUNCIL AGREES WITH THE DESIRE TO GET THE BALL ROLLING ON A PERMANENT PLAN.  
COUNCIL IS TALKING ABOUT AND LOOKING FORWARD TO DOING.  
ASSUMING TEMPORARY DECKS ARE REMOVED ROAD MAINTENANCE WILL BE NECESSARY AND BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE SUMMER AND PLANNING FOR PERMANENT DINING CAN BEGIN.  
IT SAYS HERE, I'VE LIVED IN MANHATTAN BEACH ALL MY LIFE. OWNED A SHOP 20 YEARS.  
I LIVE IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA.  
I SEE FIRSTHAND WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE CHARACTER OF OUR DOWNTOWN.  
RESIDENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND ESPECIALLY DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN BEACH HAD BEEN SO GENEROUS, UNDERSTANDING THE RESTAURANT. TO NOT REMOVE TEMPORARY DECKS.  
IT'S A SLAP IN THE FACE TO THE GOOD TENANTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I'M EMBARRASSED.  
ASSOCIATED WITH A GROUP OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE SHOWN THEMSELVES ABOVE ALL DISREGARD FOR OTHERS.  
IT'S PAINFUL TO WATCH MY HOMETOWN.  
CITY LIKE SANTA MONICA OR THE BRENTWOOD AREA.  
YOU GET THE MESSAGE HERE.  
I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU, THERE ARE MANY, THEY MAY NOT STEP UP HERE TONIGHT, THEY MAY NOT SAY ANYTHING TO YOU BUT THEY EMAIL AND THEY CALL COUNCIL.  
SO COUNCIL IS WEIGHING OUR ENTIRE DECISION FOR THE CITY.  
AT THE SAME TIME, AS MAYOR PRO TEM SAID AND THE MAYOR SAID, WE ARE BACK ALMOST TO WHERE WE WERE IN MARCH 2020.  
THIS TIME WE KNOW MORE ABOUT COVID THAN WE DID BACK THEN.  
WE HAVE TO PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT WE CAN DO NOW.  
IT CAN'T BE OPEN FOREVER.  
CHARGE MARKET RATES.  
GET THE FUNDS, NO MORE SUBSIDIES.  
THINGS HAVE TO CHANGE.  
WE CAN'T KEEP GIVING IT AWAY.  
HELP, YES.  
SUBSIDY, NO.  
THERE'S A DIFFERENCE.  
I WILL STOP THERE, YOUR HONOR.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
DID YOU WANT TO MAKE COMMENTS NOW?  
>> S. Hadley: YES, I GUESS EVERYBODY ELSE HAS.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY?  
>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.  
YES.  
I THINK THAT WE ARE ALL HEARING THAT OMICRON HAS FORCED OUR HAND. CERTAINLY I WILL SPEAK FOR MYSELF, I FEEL OMICRON HAS FORCED MY

HAND ON COUNCIL.

I HAVE ALWAYS MAINTAINED MY DEDICATION TO WHAT I CALL THE TWO-TRACK DISCUSSION ON OUTDOOR DINING.

THE FIRST IS TEMPORARY.

WHICH IS WHAT WE DID IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID PANDEMIC.

AND THOSE WERE TEMPORARY STRUCTURES UNIQUE.

THEY ALL LOOK DIFFERENT.

THEY ARE THROWN UP AT DIFFERENT TIMES.

HAVE DIFFERENT PRO'S AND CON'S.

AND THEN I PROMISED THE DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS AND OTHERS THOSE WOULD COME DOWN.

AND WE WOULD RESET AND REPAIR THE STREETS, VOTE COMMUNITY-WIDE ON A PERMANENT PLAN FOR OUTDOOR DINING AND THEN THAT WOULD BE AT MARKET RATE FOR THE CITY.

SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE SAID, IT'S PUBLIC LAND.

NO MATTER HOW MUCH SOME TOURISTS WANT TO COME AND HAVE, YOU KNOW, EXPERIENCE AT SUNSET.

I GET THAT, BUT IT IS PUBLIC LAND AND WE DO NEED TO CHARGE FOR IT AT MARKET RATE AT SOME POINT.

SO I, TONIGHT, AM IN FAVOR OF EXTENDING THE OUTDOOR DINING FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME.

I'M OPEN TO DISCUSSION WITH MY COLLEAGUES.

I THANK THE MAYOR FOR ADDING IT BACK ON THE AGENDA.

I WILL SAY I FEEL DISSERVED BY THE MEDIA ATTENTION ON THIS.

I KNOW I HAVE HAD A LOT GOING ON.

IT WAS THANKSGIVING.

MY MOM PASSED AWAY.

AND THEN WE HAD THE MEETING ON DECEMBER 7th.

BUT YOU KNOW, WE DO EVERYTHING IN PLAIN SIGHT HERE AT COUNCIL.

AND WE POST OUR AGENDAS.

AND EVERYONE WHO HAS MADE COMMENTS TONIGHT KNOWS HOW TO REACH US.

NO ONE REACHED OUT TO ME.

I DIDN'T HEAR FROM DBPA.

I DIDN'T HEAR FROM BOARD MEMBERS.

I DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING.

MAYBE FROM ONE PERSON, BEFORE THE 12/7 MEETING.

SO WE MADE THE PLANS IN AUGUST.

AND THERE WASN'T MUCH OF A KERFUFFLE.

THEN DECEMBER 7th, I DIDN'T GO BACK AND CHECK.

I DON'T THINK WE HAD ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS ASKING US TO KEEP UP THE DECKS AT ALL ON 12/7.

IT WAS LIKE CRICKETS THAT NIGHT.

THEN WE HAD A UNANIMOUS COUNCIL TO BRING THEM DOWN ON JANUARY 3rd.

NOW, I'M OPEN TO THE EXTENSION TONIGHT BECAUSE SO MUCH HAS CHANGED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS.

BUT IT ISN'T THE EMAIL CAMPAIGN.

IT'S REALLY OMICRON.  
AND WE ARE OBLIGED TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE AND OUR RESIDENTS  
EMAILING SAYING THEY FEEL SAFER OUTDOORS IS MOVING AND IMPACTFUL  
AND WE NEED TO RESPECT THAT.  
BUT I DID THINK THE MEDIA QUOTES, AND YOU KNOW, I BLAME THE MEDIA  
FOR NOT EXACTLY GETTING IT RIGHT.  
THE COVERAGE WAS NOT ACCURATE.  
AND IT DID STING A LITTLE BIT TO KNOW THAT WHAT USED TO BE A  
REALLY COLLABORATIVE EFFORT, YOU KNOW, KIND OF FELL INTO A FOOD  
FIGHT, PUN INTENDED.  
WITH THIS LATEST ISSUE.  
SO I DO HOPE WE CAN ALL RESET OUR RESTAURANTS AND COUNCIL.  
YOU KNOW, I MEAN, I DON'T HOLD GRUDGES.  
I JUST THINK THIS WAS, IT'S JUST TOO MUCH GOING ON AND NOT ENOUGH  
COMMUNICATION AND NOT ENOUGH DISCUSSION.  
LIKE NAPALM WITH FLAMING DAIQUIRIS OR SOMETHING FROM THE  
COMMUNITY.  
THE NEW CONCERN IS OMICRON.  
PEOPLE ARE FEARFUL OF EATING INDOORS.  
WE ARE IN L.A. COUNTY.  
L.A. COUNTY, I AM CONCERNED THEY WILL EXTEND THE STATE OF  
EMERGENCY BEYOND MARCH.  
I'M CONCERNED THE STATE WILL.  
I'M CONCERNED THE CITY WILL.  
AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE WANTED TO GET BACK TO NORMAL SOONER.  
THANKFULLY, OMICRON IS A MILDER VARIANT.  
I THINK WE WILL, WE HAD A RESPECTFUL DOCTOR SAYING IT TAKES ABOUT  
SIX WEEKS FOR OMICRON TO CYCLE THROUGH A COMMUNITY, LONDON PASSED  
THE PEAK AND SOUTH AFRICA AS WELL.  
YOU FIGURE THAT TAKES US TO THE MIDDLE OF JANUARY.  
I'M NOT OPEN TO AN ENDLESS EXTENSION.  
I'M OPEN TO WHAT MY COLLEAGUES SUGGEST.  
WE MUST KEEP UP WITH CODE ENFORCEMENT.  
I AM SENSITIVE TO THE CROWDED SIDEWALKS.  
UNRULY BEHAVIOR.  
NOISE.  
YOU KNOW, EXTRA TABLES OB THE DECKS OR SEATING, YOU KNOW, WELL  
ABOVE 100% OF CAPACITY.  
YOU KNOW, THE COMMUNITY DOES SEE THAT.  
THE COMMUNITY DOES NOTICE THAT.  
AND WE ALSO NEED TO GET A HANDLE ON THAT.  
SO TO THE DOWNTOWN RESIDENTS THAT YOU KNOW, I'M UNDOUBTEDLY  
DISAPPOINTING BY REVERSING MYSELF AGAIN, I WILL BE VOTING FOR AN  
EXTENSION.  
CAND I JUST FEEL THERE'S NEW INFORMATION.  
AND COUNCIL ALWAYS, WHENEVER YOU ARE IN A PUBLIC ROLE AND YOU  
HAVE TO MAKE DECISIONS, WE HAVE TO TAKE NEW INFORMATION

SITUATIONAL AWARE BS INTO CONSIDERATION.  
AND OMICRON IS HERE AND IT'S REAL.  
IT'S GOING TO BE HERE FOR A LITTLE BIT OF TIME.  
SO, I DO HOPE WE CAN GET BACK TO COLLABORATION WITH THE DOWNTOWN.  
I DO THINK THE CAMPAIGN WAS TOO MUCH.  
I THINK IT WAS OVERREACH.  
I THINK IT WAS INACCURATE.  
AND I DON'T THINK, NO ONE LOVES THE PRIVATE SECTOR.  
NO ONE LOVES OUR DOWNTOWN, RESTAURANTS AND RETAILERS MORE THAN I  
DO, BUT IT WAS A BIT MUCH.  
SO THE EXTENSION IS NOT BECAUSE OF THE CAMPAIGN.  
BUT BECAUSE OF OMICRON.  
AND WE WILL DEAL WITH THAT AND WE WILL RESET AND WE WILL GO  
FORWARD.  
THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
SO I DO FEEL LIKE WE SHOULD OPEN THIS TO PUBLIC COMMENT WITH THE  
PROVISO IF ANYONE HAS NOT MADE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.  
AND IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME, WHO  
DID NOT HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY PREVIOUSLY.  
DO WE HAVE ANYBODY THAT IS REQUESTED TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT?  
>> AT THIS TIME VIA ZOOM WE HAVE THREE PARTICIPANTS BUT THEY HAVE  
ALL PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED COMMENTS REGARDING THIS SUBJECT.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, ANYONE WITH US IN CHAMBERS THAT HAS NOT  
PREVIOUSLY MADE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT WOULD LIKE TO?  
OKAY.  
SO, WHERE ARE WE?  
WE ARE BACK TO JANUARY 3rd DATE.  
AND IF WE WANT TO EXTEND THAT.  
IF WE WANT TO EXTEND THAT, I'M HEARING THAT WE ARE, AS WE SHOULD  
BE CONCERNED ABOUT COVID.  
I'M HEARING IT, ON THE STREETS.  
I'M HEARING IT FROM EVERYONE.  
MY SON JUST CALLED ME TODAY TO SAY HE WAS EXPOSED TO HIS  
ROOMMATE.  
I WILL TELL YOU I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM IN A COUPLE WEEKS.  
BUT YOU KNOW, IT'S HERE AND IT'S SERIOUS AND WE WERE HERE LAST  
YEAR AND WE ARE HERE AGAIN THIS YEAR.  
SO IF WE HAVE ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION, INCLUDE  
SOME OF THE LIMITATIONS, I THINK WE WOULD WELCOME THAT AT THIS  
TIME.  
>> S. Napolitano: YOUR HONOR?  
I WOULD MOVE THAT WE EXTEND IT TO THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT THE  
EMERGENCY IS IN EFFECT.  
AND INCREASE THE CHARGES FOR THE DECKS TO \$3 A SQUARE FOOT  
BEGINNING JANUARY 3rd.  
>> Mayor Stern: CAN I JUST ASK FOR CLARIFICATION, THE EMERGENCY

BY WHOM?  
THE CITY, COUNTY, STATE?  
>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: PICK YOUR POISON.  
WE FOLLOW THE STATE.  
>> Mayor Stern: WHICH IS IT?  
>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: THE STATE.  
>> Mayor Stern: WE WILL SAY THE STATE.  
>> R. Montgomery: SECOND.  
>> Mayor Stern: I HAVE A MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO AND A  
SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.  
AND CAN WE HAVE A VOTE, PLEASE?  
>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?  
OH.  
>> J. Franklin: I'M SORRY.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?  
>> J. Franklin: UH, YES.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?  
>> R. Montgomery: YES.  
>> MAYOR STERN?  
>> Mayor Stern: YES.  
>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO?  
>> Mayor Pro Tem Napolitano: YES.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY?  
>> S. Hadley: YES.  
>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.  
>> CITY MANAGER, BASED ON THAT DIRECTION WE WILL ISSUE A NEW  
EMERGENCY ORDER TO EXTEND THE PERIOD TO MAKE IT COINCIDE WITH THE  
EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE STATE.  
AND START CHARGING \$3 A SQUARE FOOT, STARTING JANUARY 3rd.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR PATIENCE AND YOUR INPUT AND WE WILL NOW  
MOVE ONTO THE SECOND ITEM.  
>> S. Napolitano: YOUR HONOR?  
UNDER THE SAME CONSIDERATION THOUGH, I UNDERSTAND THE DECKS ARE  
SEPARATE THAN THE SIDEWALK.  
SO WHAT ARE WE CHARGING FOR THE SIDEWALK DECK?  
>> Mayor Stern: WHAT DO WE CURRENTLY CHARGE FOR THE SIDEWALK  
DINING?  
>> IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S \$3.  
>> Mayor Stern: IS THAT FOR THE SIDEWALK DINING IN EXISTENCE  
PRIOR TO COVID?  
OR FOR THE CURRENT SIDEWALK DINING THAT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED AFTER,  
SINCE COVID?  
>> LET ME CONSULT WITH EITHER THE FINANCE DIRECTOR OR COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, IF THEY ARE ON THE LINE?  
>> GOOD EVENING.  
CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>> Mayor Stern: YES, WE CAN.  
>> GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.  
CURRENTLY THE SIDEWALK PROGRAM IS DONE THROUGH AN ANNUAL SIDEWALK  
DINING PERMIT.  
A PREEXISTING PROGRAM OUT OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE.  
I BELIEVE THE ANNUAL FEE IS \$110.  
THAT RUNS ON AN OWN PARALLEL TRACK, NOT PART OF THE COVID-19  
EMERGENCY ORDERS AND NOT UNDER THE SAME FEE STRUCTURE AS THE  
PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY SQUARE FOOTAGE.  
BUT THAT'S THE ANSWER TO WHAT THE SIDEWALKS ARE.  
THERE'S NO PER SQUARE FOOTAGE LEASE RATE.  
>> S. Napolitano: SO \$110 A YEAR?  
>> IT'S AN ANNUAL PERMIT, CORRECT.  
>> S. Napolitano: [LAUGHTER]  
OKAY.  
YOUR HONOR, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION THAT WE HAVE STAFF,  
AGAIN, AS PART OF THE PRIOR DISCUSSION DO THEIR OWN SURVEY AS TO  
WHAT THE APPROPRIATE MARKET RATE IS FOR OUR SIDEWALK ENCROACHMENT  
PERMITS AND FOR THE DINING DECKS.  
THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.  
THAT WOULD BE A MOTION.  
>> R. Montgomery: I SECOND THAT.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, WE HAVE A MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM  
NAPOLITANO.  
DO WE HAVE A SECOND?  
>> R. Montgomery: SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.  
>> S. Hadley: I'M SORRY, YOUR HONOR, CAN HE RESTATE THE MOTION?  
>> S. Napolitano: THE MOTION IS TO HAVE STAFF SERVE WITH  
APPROPRIATE MARKET RATE WOULD BE FOR THE SIDEWALK DINING  
ENCROACHMENT PERMITS AND THE PER SQUARE FOOT CHARGE FOR THE  
DECKS.  
THE CURRENT ONES ARE MANY YEARS OLD.  
>> Mayor Stern: THE CURRENT SIDEWALK DINING --  
>> S. Napolitano: RIGHT.  
AND THE PER SQUARE FOOT ENCROACHMENT FOR DINING AREAS SUCH AS  
UNCLE BILL'S.  
THAT WAS \$3 SQUARE FOOT, SET IN THE 90'S.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.  
SO IS THAT -- AND THAT'S NOTWITHSTANDING THAT ON JANUARY 3rd WE  
WILL BE CHARGING \$3 --  
>> S. Napolitano: RIGHT, THIS IS A SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.  
>> S. Napolitano: IT'S A SEPARATE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO COME BACK  
AND SURVEY WHAT AN APPROPRIATE MARKET RATE WOULD BE FOR THOSE TWO  
ITEMS.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.  
SO WE HAVE A MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO AND A SECOND BY

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.

CAN WE HAVE A ROLL CALL?

>> HADLEY?

>> S. Hadley: YES.

>> STERN?

>> Mayor Stern: GENTLEMEN.

YES.

>> FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: YES.

>> NAPOLITANO?

>> S. Napolitano: YES.

>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS BEFORE WE MOVE ONTO THE CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE ON COVID 19?

ALL RIGHT.

I WILL TURN THIS OVER TO CITY MANAGER MOE.

>> City Manager B. Moe: ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR.

I KNOW WE HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN QUITE A BIT ABOUT OMICRON.

BY WAY OF COVID CASES IN MANHATTAN BEACH, WE ARE AT 2,370, 127 ADDITIONAL CASES SINCE THE LAST REPORT ON DECEMBER 7th.

THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF CASES REPORTED IN MANHATTAN BEACH IS AT 14.7 CASES PER DAY OVER THE LAST 7 DAYS, COMPARES TO 4.2 CASES PER DAY I REPORTED ON TWO WEEKS AGO.

AND COMPARABLE TO WHAT IT WAS DURING LAST JANUARY DURING THE SURGE OF 14.4 CASES PER DAY.

WE HAVE SEEN A SURGE IN THE LAST SIX DAYS, DOUBLE DIGIT GROWTH WITH CASES BETWEEN 10-24 A DAY.

MOVING ONTO VACCINATION STATS, THIS IS NEW AS OF DECEMBER 16th, THE NUMBER OF MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENTS AGED 5 AND UP HAVE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED, MEANING BOTH SHOTS IN THE CASE OF PFIZER AND MODERNA.

THAT STANDS AT 81.7%.

AND BY WAY OF BOOSTER DATA THOSE 5 AND UP ARE 35.8% IN HAVING HAD THE BOOSTER.

THAT PUTS MANHATTAN BEACH 10th AMONG ALL L.A. COUNTY CITIES AS THE HIGHEST WITH BOOSTER DATA.

THOSE 5 AND UP WITH THE BOOSTER STANDS AT 71.3%.

IN THE COUNTY, 741 PEOPLE HOSPITALIZED WITH COVID.

THIS WAS AN INCREASE FROM 629 TWO WEEKS AGO AND THE TEST POSITIVITY RATE CURRENTLY STANDS AT 3% COMPARED TO 1.4% TWO WEEKS AGO.

THE COUNTY DID ISSUE A NEW HEALTH OFFICER ORDER REGARDING TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR MEGA EVENTS, INDOOR EVENTS OF 1,000 OR MORE OR OUTDOOR 10,000 PLUS.

NOW REQUIRES A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT, EITHER A P.C.R. TEST FROM A SAMPLE TAKEN WITHIN TWO DAYS OF THE EVENT OR ANTIGEN FROM A SAMPLE TAKEN WITHIN ONE DAY OF THE EVENT.



PUBLIC HEALTH REMINDS US RESIDENT GETTING VACCINATED OR BOOSTERED REMAINS CRITICAL DURING THIS HOLIDAY PERIOD.

GETTING TESTED TO HELP REDUCE THE SPREAD ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE TRAVELING DURING THE HOLIDAYS IS NECESSARY AND IF YOU HAVE HAD POSITIVE POSSIBLE EXPOSURE OR HAVE SYMPTOMS YOU SHOULD GET TESTED.

SO WITH THAT, THIS IS A TIME OF THE MEETING WE ALSO TALK ABOUT FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS AND HOW WE ARE GOING TO BE HANDLING THOSE.

SO WE WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 11th WHICH IS A JOINT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL WITH PARKS AND REC AND CULTURAL ARTS AND LIBRARY.

SUGGEST IT BE ZOOM-ONLY BASIS.

THAT WOULD APPLY FOR THE FORMAT JANUARY 19 PLANNING COMMISSION AND P.P.I.C. MEETING, JOINT MEETING OF THOSE BODIES AND ASK COUNCIL PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 18th.

IF WE CAN GET DIRECTION ON THE FORMAT OF THOSE MEETINGS THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY, DO HAVE YOU A QUESTION?

>> R. Montgomery: I PROPOSE WE, IN LIGHT OF THE NEW INFORMATION, THE RATE SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE CITY, ALL OF OUR MEETINGS, ALL OF OUR MEETINGS GO VIRTUAL UNTIL WE ARE PAST THIS NEXT SURGE.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

DOES ANYONE ELSE HAVE A QUESTION OR A COMMENT?  
FOR CITY MANAGER?

>> S. Hadley: YEAH, I WILL VOTE WITH THE MAJORITY.

BUT I FEEL LIKE TONIGHT, THIS WORKS.

I THINK PEOPLE WANT TO COME IN PERSON.

I THINK WITH TECHNOLOGY, PEOPLE CAN COME EITHER WAY.

WE ARE VACCINATED, WE ARE BOOSTED IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

CERTAINLY, NO ONE SHOULD COME WHO IS NOT COMFORTABLE.

BUT I JUST BELIEVE WHEN THE PUBLIC WANTS TO MEET IN PERSON, THEY SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO MEET IN PERSON.

THERE'S LOTS OF SPACE IN HERE.

BUT I -- I DON'T FEEL STRONGLY.

I WILL VOTE WITH THE MAJORITY.

THIS IS WORKING THOUGH.

WHY NOT KEEP GOING HYBRID?

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: YES.

I THINK IT WORKS AS WELL.

THERE IS, YOU KNOW, BEING THE ROOKIE ON COUNCIL, AND ONCE AGAIN STATING I'M THE ONLY COUNCILMEMBER WHOSE NEVER BEEN SWORN IN, IN CHAMBERS.

NO, BUT THERE'S A DYNAMIC, I FEEL.

IT'S A GOOD CONNECTION.

I FEEL EVERYBODY IS SAFE.  
IF YOU ARE, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN DOUBLE MASK OR NOT ATTEND, IF YOU  
FEEL LIKE YOU ARE VULNERABLE.  
SO I LIKE IT.  
I THINK A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE LIKE IT AS WELL.  
I THINK WE SHOULD AT LEAST MAKE THE EFFORT.  
BARRING ANY, BECAUSE WHAT'S THE BREAKTHROUGH RATE?  
I MEAN, HAS THE COUNTY BROUGHT THOSE NUMBERS TO BEAR AS FAR AS  
THE BREAKTHROUGH?  
BECAUSE IT'S FEWER PEOPLE WHO ARE VACCINATED ARE GETTING AFFECTED  
BY OMICRON, I BELIEVE.  
BY A FAIRLY LARGE MARGIN.  
>> City Manager B. Moe: YEAH, I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION.  
>> J. Franklin: YEAH.  
I THINK IT COULD BE SAFE.  
>> Mayor Stern: MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO, DID YOU HAVE INPUT ON  
YOUR FEELINGS ABOUT REMOTE OR HYBRID MEETINGS?  
>> S. Napolitano: IF FOLKS WANT TO DO HYBRID, I THINK IT'S A  
DISSERVICE TO STAFF.  
BUT I'M IN AGREEMENT WITH COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY, AT THIS  
POINT.  
UNTIL THE SURGE, AT LEAST FOR THE NEXT MONTH FOR JANUARY.  
I THINK IT SHOULD BE REMOTE.  
>> Mayor Stern: WE ONLY HAVE ONE MEETING IN JANUARY.  
AND MAYBE EVEN, WE DON'T KNOW.  
YOU MADE A GOOD POINT, MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO, IT'S A  
DISSERVICE TO ANYONE WHO CAN'T MAKE THAT CHOICE.  
WE HAVE TWO COUNCILMEMBERS WHO MADE THE CHOICE NOT TO COME IN AND  
THOSE OF US WHO CAN MAKE THAT CHOICE, THAT'S A PRIVILEGE.  
BUT YOU KNOW, WE ARE ON THE ONE HAND, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT NOT  
WANTING PEOPLE TO BE INDOORS.  
AND ON THE OTHER HAND WE ARE SAYING, WELL, COME ON IN.  
I FIND THAT TO BE, THAT'S NOT A SAFE SITUATION.  
WE CAN'T -- WE HAVE TO HAVE STAFF HERE.  
SO WE ARE NOT ALLOWING THEM TO MAKE THAT CHOICE.  
REMOTE HAS WORKED.  
IT'S WORKED FOR ALL OF THESE MONTHS.  
YES, IT WAS LOVELY TO SEE PEOPLE IN CHAMBERS AND JUST LIKE PEOPLE  
REALLY LIKE OUTDOOR DINING BUT WE ARE DECIDING THAT WE DON'T WANT  
PEOPLE TO BE EATING INDOORS, THAT'S WHY WE ARE ALLOWING FOR  
OUTDOOR DINING WHILE PEOPLE LIKE TO COME TO CHAMBERS RIGHT NOW IS  
NOT A SAFE TIME TO HAVE PEOPLE COME TO CHAMBERS.  
I DON'T FEEL SAFE SITTING HERE.  
I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS.  
AND IF ANYONE ELSE DOESN'T FEEL SAFE THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE TO.  
CERTAINLY IF WE MAKE THE CHOICE TO HAVE HYBRID, WE ARE FORCING  
OUR STAFF TO HAVE TO BE HERE.

I DON'T THINK THAT'S FAIR.  
WE CAN DO THIS WITHOUT IT.  
>> S. Hadley: I UNDERSTAND, YOUR HONOR.  
I WORK EVERY DAY IN PERSON AT THE LIBRARY.  
THE REST OF THE WORLD IS OPERATING IN PERSON.  
I WOULD LIKE TO NOT SPREAD SO MUCH FEAR OUT THERE THAT NO ONE IS  
WILLING TO SHOW UP AT WORK.  
>> Mayor Stern: I HAVE NOT AT ALL SAID THAT.  
BUT WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE REMOTE MEETINGS.  
AND WE HAVE BUSINESSES WHO ARE SAYING IF YOU CAN WORK REMOTELY,  
WORK REMOTELY.  
WE HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO SAY THAT HERE.  
WE HAVE HAD VERY EFFECTIVE MEETINGS.  
WE HAVE HAD GREAT PARTICIPATION.  
IF WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK REMOTELY, WE, TOO, SHOULD WORK  
REMOTELY.  
>> J. Franklin: SO I JUST HAVE A QUICK QUESTION.  
HAVE WE CHANGED ANY OF THE AIR FILTRATION IN THIS ROOM?  
HAS IT BEEN UPGRADED AT ALL?  
>> City Manager B. Moe: NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE.  
>> Mayor Stern: SAFER TO BE ON AN AIRPLANE THAN IN HERE.  
[ CHUCKLES ]  
>> Mayor Stern: I'M GOING TO JUST ASK EVERYBODY.  
I THINK WE HEARD EVERYBODY'S RESPONSES.  
I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A FULLY REMOTE MEETING FOR THE MONTH OF  
JANUARY FOR THESE THREE MEETINGS.  
I CERTAINLY WOULDN'T WANT TO ASK OUR COMMISSIONERS TO COME IN AND  
THERE'S A DIFFICULTY IN HAVING SOME COMMISSIONERS HERE AND SOME  
REMOTELY.  
CERTAINLY FOR JANUARY 11th AND JANUARY 19th I WANT THOSE TO BE  
REMOTE MEETINGS.  
I ALSO VERY STRONGLY FEEL THAT AT THIS TIME, WE SHOULD GO BACK TO  
REMOTE MEETINGS FOR THE JANUARY 18th MEETING.  
ANYBODY ELSE?  
DOES EVERYBODY AGREE.  
>> S. Hadley: IT SAYS DISCUSSION AND PROVIDE DIRECTION.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.  
>> S. Hadley: THREE OF YOU WANT TO MEET REMOTELY.  
THAT'S FINE.  
>> Mayor Stern: I WANT TO HEAR THAT; I WANT TO MAKE SURE I'M  
HONORING WHAT THE COMMENTS WERE.  
I DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING DEFINITIVE.  
COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.  
>> R. Montgomery: I WILL MAKE A MOTION, MAKE A VOTE.  
WE GO VIRTUAL FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY AND DETERMINE WHAT WILL  
HAPPEN AT THE END OF JANUARY.  
>> Mayor Stern: FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, MAYOR PRO TEM

NAPOLITANO.

>> S. Napolitano: I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T HEAR THAT.

>> Mayor Stern: FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, REMOTE MEETINGS?

>> S. Napolitano: YEAH, I AGREE.

>> Mayor Stern: I AGREE WITH THAT AS WELL.

OKAY.

SO WE WILL HAVE REMOTE MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

IS THERE ANY OTHER BUSINESS UNDER CITY MANAGER UPDATES ON COVID 19 RESPONSE?

>> City Manager B. Moe: NOTHING FURTHER, THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: WE WILL MOVE ONTO ITEM #5.

LET'S FINISH THIS OUT AND THEN WE CAN TAKE A BREAK.

SO WE CAN FINISH COVID-19.

UNLESS ANYBODY HAS, WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A BREAK NOW?

>> S. Hadley: I HAD ASKED THE CITY MANAGER IF ITEM #5 MIGHT BE POSTPONED UNTIL JANUARY.

I THINK WE WILL KNOW MORE.

I'M SORRY, I MESSED UP.

I MEANT TO BRING IT UP UNDER THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

PARTLY, THIS IS A LONGISH MEETING.

PARTLY, I THINK WE WILL KNOW MORE ABOUT OMICRON AND THE SITUATION.

AND THEN PARTLY IT'S JUST NOT NECESSARY, CITY MANAGER MOE SAID IT DOESN'T HAVE TO APPEAR TONIGHT AND IT COULD COME AT A FUTURE TIME.

>> Mayor Stern: UM, OKAY.

IF IT'S NOT NECESSARY, WE WERE UNDER SOME TIMING CONSIDERATIONS.

AND I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S SOMETHING FOR HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR JENKINS TO LET US KNOW.

BUT THAT'S FINE IF WE WANT TO POSTPONE THIS TO THE JANUARY 18th MEETING.

AS LONG AS WE ARE NOT GOING TO BE RUNNING INTO THE SAME KIND OF TIMING CONSIDERATIONS THAT WE DID WHEN WE FIRST HAD THE CONSIDERATIONS ABOUT VACCINATION MANDATES.

>> City Manager B. Moe: WE ARE FINE.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, DOES ANYONE ELSE HAVE CONCERNS POSTPONING THIS ITEM?

>> S. Napolitano: NO.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, LET'S MOVE THAT TO THE JANUARY 18th MEETING.

THANK YOU FOR THAT SUGGESTION.

AND THEN, NOW IS PROBABLY A GOOD TIME THEN TO TAKE A BREAK.

WE WILL COME BACK AT 9:10.

TAKE A FIVE-MINUTE BREAK.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

WE ARE BACK FROM OUR BREAK.

WE ARE NOW ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

ITEM I.

I WILL ASK FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH ITEM #8 ON OUR AMENDED AGENDA TO BE PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MAY HAVE I A MOTION?

>> R. Montgomery: MOTION TO APPROVE.

>> Mayor Stern: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY. SECOND BY NAPOLITANO.

>> [ROLL CALL]

MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Stern: GREAT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

NOW WE WILL DISCUSS THE ITEM THAT WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

ITEM #8, UPDATE ON HOMELESS INITIATIVES.

COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN, I BELIEVE YOU PULLED THIS.

>> J. Franklin: YES, THANK YOU, MAYOR.

I JUST WANTED TO MAKE NOTE.

TALKING ABOUT THE HOMELESSNESS, JUST TO RESTATE THE CITY MANAGER'S BRIEFING NOTES THAT WE HAD OUR FIRST SUCCESSFUL PLACEMENT INTO THE SHARE HOUSING.

WHICH HAS A LOT TO DO WITH HOMELESS PLACEMENT.

THIS GOT A HOMELESS INDIVIDUAL OFF THE STREETS AND INTO SERVICES WHERE WE WANT THEM TO BE.

I JUST THOUGHT THAT WAS NOTE WORTHY THAT-THERE'S A LOT OF FORCES THAT CAME TOGETHER.

I HAVE SPOKEN BEFORE ABOUT THE GAPS THAT M.B. SAFE FILLS.

THEY MADE A DONATION TO PLACE THE INDIVIDUAL TEMPORARILY INTO A MOTEL FOR THREE NIGHTS.

STABILIZE THE INDIVIDUAL AND ENSURE PLACEMENT INTO A HOUSING UNIT OVER THE WEEKEND.

I JUST WANT TO APPLAUD EVERYBODY FOR WORKING ON THAT AND MAKE NOTE OF THE SUCCESS.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

DO WE HAVE ANYBODY ELSE WHO WANTS TO COMMENT ON ITEM #8?

>> S. Hadley: YES, THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.

>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR.

YES, MY QUESTION WAS FOR ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER, GEORGE GABRIEL.

THANK YOU, GEORGE, FOR BEING ON THE CALL.

CAN YOU REITERATE TO THE PUBLIC WHERE WE STAND WITH THE REDONDO BEACH ATTORNEY AND WHAT'S GOING TO COME TO THE AGENDA ON JANUARY 18 BLG?

18?

>> HI, COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.

GEORGE GABRIEL, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER.

AS YOU MENTIONED THERE WAS AN AGENDA ITEM TO DISCUSS THE

POTENTIAL CONTRACT FOR PROSECUTION AND HOMELESS COURT SERVICES.  
ORIGINALLY THAT WAS SLATED FOR TONIGHT.  
HOWEVER, DUE TO A DELAY FROM THE REDONDO BEACH CITY ATTORNEY'S  
OFFICE THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO ABIDE BY DEADLINES AND THAT ITEM WILL  
BE HEARD ON THE JANUARY 18th, 2022, CITY COUNCIL MEETING X.  
THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING THE CITY COUNCIL HAS AN OPPORTUNITY  
TO MEET.

>> S. Hadley: THAT'S THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR US, YOU  
ARE SAYING, NOT FOR REDONDO BEACH?

>> YES.  
CORRECT.

REDONDO BEACH TO MY KNOWLEDGE WILL BE CONSIDERING IT THAT SAME  
NIGHT, AS WELL.

>> S. Hadley: THE SAME NIGHT, DID YOU SAY?

>> YES, CORRECT.

>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU, GEORGE.

>> R. Montgomery: PUBLIC COMMENT?

>> Mayor Stern: SORRY, DO WE HAVE ANYONE REQUESTING PUBLIC  
COMMENT ON ITEM #8?

>> THERE'S NO PUBLIC COMMENT VIA ZOOM.

>> Mayor Stern: DO WE NEED TO THEREFORE MOVE --

>> City Manager B. Moe: [OFF MIC]  
IS THERE A MOTION?

>> Mayor Stern: DO WE HAVE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION TO  
AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS AND  
APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS?

>> S. Hadley: I SO MOVE.

>> Mayor Stern: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.  
DO WE HAVE A SECOND?

>> R. Montgomery: SECOND, MONTGOMERY.

>> Mayor Stern: SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY, CAN WE HAVE A  
VOTE, PLEASE?

>> [ROLL CALL]  
MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Stern: MOVING ONTO ITEM L, .  
GENERAL BUSINESS.  
EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE TRIPARTISAN LAND USE INITIATIVE.

>> City Manager B. Moe: THIS WILL BE BY GEORGE GABRIEL.  
>> THANK YOU.  
GEORGE GABRIEL.  
THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECALL -- SORRY, MY COMPUTER.  
THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECALL THAT THIS ITEM IS SPONSORED BY A  
REDONDO BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, THAT'S WHY YOU DIDN'T  
RECOGNIZE THE NAME, BRAND-HUANG-MENDOZA TRIPARTISAN LAND USE  
INITIATIVE.  
IT'S SCHEDULED TO BE ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022, BALLOT.  
HOWEVER THERE NEEDS TO BE SUFFICIENT VOTES.

WHAT THIS INITIATIVE DOES, IT'S A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, MAKING SURE ALL DECISIONS REGARDING LOCAL LAND USE CONTROLS, ZONING LAWS AND REGULATIONS ARE MAKING BY THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY, AS OPPOSED TO THE STATE.

CAUSING BUZZ ALONG THE FELLOW COMMUNITY AND MANY COMMUNITIES, IT IS SOMETHING THAT WILL PROTECT THE ABILITY OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH TO HAVE THEIR REGULATIONS OVERRIDE THE STATE'S REGULATIONS.

BEFORE YOU TONIGHT IS A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE BRAND-HUANG-MENDOZA TRIPARTISAN LAND USE INITIATIVE.

THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER GEORGE GABRIEL?

SEEING NO QUESTIONS, I WILL OPEN IT UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

DOES ANYONE WANT TO MAKE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM?

>> THERE'S NO REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT VIA ZOOM.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.

SO IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THIS ITEM, OR I WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 21-0008.

WHOA.

SORRY.

A MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 21-0117 SUPPORTING BRAND-HUANG-MENDOZA TRIPARTISAN LAND USE INITIATIVE.

>> R. Montgomery: I WILL MAKE THAT MOTION.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY MADE THE MOTION.

DO I HAVE A SECOND?

>> J. Franklin: SECOND.

>> Mayor Stern: SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

MAY I HAVE A VOTE, PLEASE.

>> MAYOR STERN?

>> Mayor Stern: YES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?

>> R. Montgomery: YES.

>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.

>> S. Napolitano: YES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: YES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY?

>> S. Hadley: YES.

>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Stern: GREAT.

WE WILL MOVE ONTO ITEM #14.

CONSIDERATION INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE URGENCY ORDINANCE TO RESCIND RESIDENTIAL EVICTION REGULATIONS AND CITY ATTORNEY BARROW?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THANK YOU, MAYOR.  
BACK IN MARCH 17, 2020, AS A RESPONSE TO THE COVID PANDEMIC, THE  
CITY COUNCIL ADOPTED AN URGENCY ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE CERTAIN  
PROTECTIONS TO BOTH COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL TENANTS.  
ON NOVEMBER 16th OF THIS YEAR, THE COUNCIL DIRECTED STAFF TO COME  
BACK WITH AN ORDINANCE TO RESCIND THOSE REGULATIONS CONCERNING  
RESIDENTIAL TENANTS ONLY.  
AND SO GEORGE IS SHARING THE SCREEN.  
THE KEY ELEMENT HERE IS NUMBER ONE.  
IT'S JUST RESIDENTIAL.  
SO IF THE COUNCIL WERE TO INTRODUCE THIS ORDINANCE TONIGHT AND  
THEN ADOPT IT IN JANUARY, YOU WOULD STILL PROTECT THE TENANTS,  
RESIDENTIAL TENANTS.  
BUT IT PROVIDES THE ABILITY OF LANDLORDS AND PROPERTY OWNERS TO  
PROCEED WITH EVICTION IF, IF YOU TAKE A LOOK AT #1 ON THE SCREEN,  
IF THE TENANT HAS NOT COMPLIED WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS IN BOTH  
THE 2020 EVICTION ORDINANCE AND THIS ORDINANCE.  
AND THEN 2, IF THEY DON'T START PAYING THEIR RENT AS OF MARCH  
1st.  
SO THE TWO KEY ELEMENTS, IF YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE.  
GEORGE, IF WE CAN GO TO, I GUESS IT'S THE THIRD SLIDE.  
ONCE AGAIN, THIS IS NOT AFFECTING ALL COMMERCIAL EVICTIONS.  
THOSE REGULATIONS REMAIN INTACT.  
GEORGE, THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.  
IN SUMMARY, IF THE COUNCIL INTRODUCES THE ORDINANCE TONIGHT AND  
THEN ADOPTS IT IN JANUARY, THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE  
WOULD BE FEBRUARY 17th.  
ON MARCH 1, ALL RESIDENTIAL TENANTS WILL HAVE TO BEGIN PAYING  
THEIR MONTHLY RENT.  
AND ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1st, THEY WILL HAVE TO PAY ALL RENT IN  
ARREARS.  
WHICH IS SIX MONTHS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF FEBRUARY 17th.  
JUST IN SUMMARY.  
SO THIS BASICALLY PROTECTS THOSE LANDLORDS.  
I DON'T KNOW THE NUMBER OF LANDLORDS WHO HAVE BEEN IN THIS  
SITUATION, BUT FOR 19 MONTHS SOME OF THEM HAVE NOT BEEN GETTING  
ANY RENT FROM THEIR RESIDENTIAL TENANTS.  
SO, THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE REALLY SUFFERING AT THIS POINT.  
THEY ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE THE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES BECAUSE OF  
COVID.  
AND SO, UNLESS THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS?  
>> Mayor Stern: ANYBODY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR CITY ATTORNEY  
BARROW?  
>> S. Hadley: MADAM MAYOR, I HAVE ONE QUESTION.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY.  
>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU.  
CITY ATTORNEY BARROW, SO, THE RESIDENTS PROTECTED BY OUR EVICTION



ORDINANCE COULD HAVE NOT PAID RENT EVEN WHEN THEY WERE GETTING RENTAL ASSISTANCE OR OTHER FORMS OF GOVERNMENT AID DURING THE PANDEMIC, CORRECT?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THAT'S TRUE.

THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO DEMONSTRATE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY.

BUT WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT SOME TENANTS WERE STILL GETTING PAID AND REALLY DIDN'T HAVE THOSE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES BECAUSE OF COVID.

BUT THOSE PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO START PAYING RENT IF THIS IS ADOPTED BY MARCH 1, AND PAYBACK ALL THE RENT IN ARREARS BY SEPTEMBER 1st.

>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU, I APPRECIATE IT.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: YES, THANK YOU.

DID THE LANDLORDS HAVE A CORRESPONDING RELIEF PACKAGE AS WELL?

I MEAN, WERE THEY ABLE TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL HELP OR STATE HELP?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: I BELIEVE SO, YES.

>> J. Franklin: FOR THEIR MORTGAGE RELIEF?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: I BELIEVE SO.

>> J. Franklin: IS THAT FACTORS INTO THIS AT ALL.

WOULD THEY GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET NOT ONLY THEIR RENT BUT ALSO THAT ASSISTANCE?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION AT THIS STAGE.

>> J. Franklin: BUT THAT'S NOT OUR PURVIEW, RIGHT? TO CHECK THAT.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: RIGHT.

THE CITY ADDED ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FROM WHAT THE STATE AND COUNTY HAS.

AND THERE ARE STILL SOME COUNTY AND STATE REGULATIONS, EVEN IF THE COUNCIL WERE TO RESCIND THOSE PROTECTIONS TO RESIDENTIAL TENANTS.

THERE'S STILL A PROCESS THEY WOULD HAVE TO GO TO.

THIS TAKES THE CITY'S REGULATIONS OFF THE TABLE FOR RESIDENTIAL TENANTS.

>> J. Franklin: SO, JUST TO CONFIRM, SO FROM MARCH, APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, SO FOR SEVEN MONTHS, THAT TENANT COULD NOT PAY THE BACK RENT, AND THEN AT THE LAST MINUTE JUST SAY I'M LEAVING.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THAT'S TRUE.

THE COUNCIL HAS SOME FLEXIBILITY.

THE SIX MONTHS WAS IN THE INITIAL ORDINANCE.

THE COUNCIL HAS THE FLEXIBILITY AT THIS TIME TO SAY, YOU HAVE TO START PAYING YOUR MONTHLY RENT ON MARCH 1, AND PAYBACK EVERYTHING THREE MONTHS OR FOUR MONTHS LATER, IT'S TOTALLY UP TO THE COUNCIL.

>> J. Franklin: IS THERE A POSSIBILITY, I SEEM TO RECALL, TENANTS

HAD TO SIGN A FORM.  
IT WASN'T REALLY A PROMISSORY NOTE.  
BUT CAN WE GET THE TENANTS TO SIGN SOMETHING IF THEY INTEND TO  
STAY IN THE UNIT AND PAY THE BACK RENT.  
BUT SORT OF, YOU KNOW, HAVE THEM MAKE A PROMISSORY NOTE FOR THE  
AMOUNT THAT IS DUE?  
TO GIVE THE LANDLORD SOME PROTECTION?  
BECAUSE AGAIN, THEY COULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION FOR  
ANOTHER SIX MONTHS.  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THAT'S CORRECT.  
BUT I WOULDN'T RECOMMEND THAT.  
WHAT THE CITY COUNCIL DID BACK IN MARCH 2020 WAS REALLY TO  
PROTECT THE RESIDENTIAL TENANTS WHO HAVE LEGITIMATE REASONS NOT  
TO PAY.  
TO GET INVOLVED IN THEIR CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP, I WOULDN'T  
RECOMMEND THAT AT ALL.  
>> Mayor Stern: WHOSE HAND IS THAT?  
MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO?  
>> S. Napolitano: I DIDN'T HAVE MY HAND.  
I'M HAPPY TO TALK BUT.  
>> Mayor Stern: DOES ANYBODY ELSE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR CITY  
ATTORNEY BARROW AT THIS TIME?  
>> S. Napolitano: NO QUESTIONS.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?  
THAT IS THE MOUSE.  
>> R. Montgomery: NO QUESTIONS.  
>> Mayor Stern: I DO HAVE A QUESTION.  
SO YOU DID MENTION THERE ARE STILL STATE AND FEDERAL PROTECTIONS  
FOR TENANTS.  
HOW DOES THAT PLAY INTO THIS THEN?  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THIS IS TOTALLY INDEPENDENT OF COUNTY  
AND STATE REGULATIONS.  
SO THOSE WILL REMAIN INTACT AND THEY ARE LISTED IN THE STAFF  
REPORT.  
WE ARE FOCUSING ON THE LOCAL REGULATIONS AND IT'S NOT OUR JOB TO  
INTERPRET THE COUNTY OR STATE REGULATIONS, ON BEHALF OF THE  
LANDLORDS OR OTHER TENANTS.  
THEY HAVE LISTED A FEW OF THEIR -- IN THE STAFF REPORT, SOME OF  
THE EXISTING COUNTY AND STATE REGULATIONS.  
>> Mayor Stern: SO IF A TENANT TRULY CANNOT PAY THEIR RENT AFTER  
MARCH 1st, BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS THAT ARE CONTINUING  
WITH RESPECT TO COVID, OUR CITY PROTECTION IS LIFTED.  
BUT WOULD THEY STILL HAVE PROTECTIONS BY THE STATE OR BY THE  
COUNTY?  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: YES.  
THE LANDLORD HAS TO GO THROUGH CERTAIN PROCEDURAL STEPS AT THAT  
POINT BY THE COUNTY.

WHAT'S CONFUSING, THERE WAS A GREATER DESCRIPTION OF THAT IN THE FIRST STAFF REPORT BACK IN NOVEMBER.

ON THE DIFFERENT REGULATIONS.

BUT WHAT'S CONFUSING IS PORTIONS OF EVEN THE COUNTY REGULATIONS WERE PREEMPTED BY THE STATE UP UNTIL MARCH.

SO IT'S A LITTLE CONFUSING AS TO WHAT TYPE OF PROTECTIONS WILL REMAIN.

BUT THERE'S A PROCESS THE LANDLORDS HAVE TO FOLLOW AT THAT POINT.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

AND IF THERE'S NO OTHER QUESTIONS, I WILL OPEN THIS UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

DO WE HAVE ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT?

>> YES, WE HAVE DAVID ARCHER.

>> HELLO, MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

I HAD A QUICK QUESTION ON THIS.

SO, WOULD THE ORDINANCE SUPERSEDE THE STATE?

I'M AWARE OF A STATE PROGRAM WHERE TENANTS CAN TRY FOR RELIEF AND THEN THE STATE GRANTED AND THE LANDLORD IS MADE WHOLE, VERSUS THE TENANT.

AND SO THERE'S NO BACK PAYMENT REQUIRED.

SO I'M UNCLEAR ON WHERE THIS ORDINANCE IS GOING.

IF IT'S DIFFERENT THAN THAT, OR THE TENANT IS NOT GETTING THE RELIEF IN THE BACK PAYMENT, SO THAT'S KIND OF MY QUESTION.

THANK YOU.

I'LL GO ON MUTE NOW.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, DAVID.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THIS WILL HAVE NO IMPACT ON THE STATE REGULATIONS OR THE COUNTY REGULATIONS.

SO IT WILL NOT SUPERSEDE THOSE PROTECTIONS.

>> Mayor Stern: SO THOSE PROTECTIONS ARE STILL AVAILABLE?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: EXACTLY.

>> Mayor Stern: NOTWITHSTANDING WHAT WE DO TONIGHT?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: YES.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS?

>> THERE'S NO FURTHER REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT VIA ZOOM.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, COLLEAGUES, ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ABOUT THIS?

>> S. Hadley: I WILL START OFF, MAYOR.

THIS WAS MY AGENDA ITEM THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC, I HAVE HEARD FROM SEVERAL SMALL LANDLORDS.

AND I THINK WE ALL KNOW SMALL LANDLORDS ARE THE VAST MAJORITY OF LANDLORDS OUT THERE.

THEY ARE GENERALLY NOT BIG CORPORATIONS.

IT'S MOM AND POPS WHO OWN THEIR OWN HOME AND BUY THE HOME NEXT TO THEM AND PASS IT DOWN THROUGH GENERATIONS.

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SMALL LANDLORDS HERE IN MANHATTAN BEACH. THEY OFTEN TEND TO BE A LITTLE BIT QUIETER AND, IN THE BACKGROUND, BUT I CONSIDER THEM TO BE SMALL BUSINESSPEOPLE IN THEIR OWN RIGHT AND THEY NEED TO MAKE TENANT IMPROVEMENTS AND PAY EVER-RISING PROPERTY TAXES.

ETC., ETC.

AS WELL AS, YOU KNOW, GET TENANTS AND KEEP THEM HAPPY AND MAKE SURE THE TENANTS PAY THE CHECK.

SO THESE STORIES HAVE MOVED ME.

I THINK THERE HAS BEEN, AS USUAL, WITH BROAD GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS THERE HAVE BEEN UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES THAT HAVE SIGNIFICANTLY HURT SOME OF OUR SMALLER LANDLORDS AND THERE HAS BEEN ABUSE OF OUR WELL-INTENTIONED ORDINANCE BY SOME TENANTS THAT HAVE HURT OUR M.B. RESIDENTS AND VOTERS.

AND WE HAVE PUT A LOT OF TIME AND ENERGY INTO DISCUSSING AND PROTECTING AND HELPING OTHER SMALL BUSINESSES.

AND I THINK AT THIS POINT IN TIME, GIVEN THE STATE PROTECTIONS, COUNTY PROTECTIONS, I THINK THIS COUNCIL HAS BEEN UNITED IN WANTING TO MATCH COUNTY AND STATE PROTECTIONS AND NOT EXCEED THEM.

SO I WOULD JUST HUMBLLY ASK AT THIS TIME, MY COUNCILMEMBERS SUPPORT ROLLING BACK OUR ORDINANCE IN ORDER TO A, PROVIDE RELIEF TO OUR SMALLER LANDLORDS WHO COULD BE MADE WHOLE, BY BASICALLY DEADBEAT RESIDENTS USING SOME OF THESE WELL-INTENTIONED ORDINANCES JUST SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO PAY THE RENT.

THAT'S ALL.

I APPRECIATE THAT IT GOT THIS FAR ONTO THE AGENDA, I WOULD MOVE WE INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 21-0008.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR A SECOND FOR THAT MOTION?

>> S. Napolitano: YOUR HONOR.

>> Mayor Stern: MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO?

>> S. Napolitano: I WILL SECOND.

I AGREE.

JUST LIKE OUR PREVIOUS CONVERSATION.

THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS THAT JUST CAN'T GO ON FOREVER.

WE HAVE GONE FROM EMERGENCY MODE TO MANAGEMENT MODE.

EVERYONE NEEDS TO, IN EVERYONE'S DESIRE TO GET BACK TO NORMALCY THAT'S ALSO GETTING BACK TO RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACCOUNTABILITY. AND THIS IS PART OF THAT.

IF SOMEONE CAN PROVE OTHERWISE, THAT'S A CONVERSATION TO HAVE WITH THEIR LANDLORD.

I DON'T THINK IT'S FOR US TO KEEP LANDLORDS FROM BEING ABLE TO COLLECT RENT ON THIS BASIS.

SO I THINK NOW IS THE TIME TO DO IT.

>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.

ANY OTHER COMMENTS.

>> J. Franklin: I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT.  
>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.  
>> J. Franklin: OH, I'M SORRY.  
THAT IT'S HELPFUL, YOU KNOW, LANDLORDS FACE MASSIVE AMOUNT OF  
TIME, EVEN WITH THIS TO GO THROUGH THE WHOLE EVICTION PROCESS.  
IT COULD TAKE SIX MONTHS AND GENERALLY IT'S LIKE THE DAY BEFORE  
THE SHERIFF IS GOING TO KNOCK ON THE DOOR, THE TENANT LEAVES.  
SO ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO HELP THEM, I'M FOR.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY, YOU WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT.  
>> R. Montgomery: I COMMENTED.  
YES.  
CALL THE QUESTION.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
SO THERE IS GREAT SUPPORT FOR THIS.  
I DO WANT TO JUST NOTE THAT, I FIND IT IMPORTANT, HOWEVER, THAT  
WE, THAT THE QUESTION I ASKED, WHICH IS, IS THERE STILL  
PROTECTION FOR SOMEBODY WHO IS SINCERELY IMPACTED BY COVID AND  
HAS A FAILURE OF AN ABILITY TO PAY, ESPECIALLY AS WE ARE DOING  
WHAT WE ARE DOING RIGHT NOW, LOOKING AT ANOTHER SURGE.  
IS THAT GOING TO IMPACT HIS ABILITY TO MAKE A LIVING AND  
THEREFORE PAY HOUSING.  
SO KNOWING THERE IS STILL, FOR THOSE THAT ARE NOT TAKING  
ADVANTAGE BUT THAT THEY ARE ACTUALLY IMPACTED, BUT THERE IS STILL  
PROTECTION FROM THE STATE AND THE COUNTY, I WILL SUPPORT THIS.  
SO I WILL ASK FOR A VOTE ON THE MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY  
AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO.  
DID I GET THAT RIGHT?  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: SO MAYOR, BEFORE THE VOTE, I WOULD  
LIKE TO READ THE TITLE.  
ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, AMENDING URGENCY  
ORDINANCE 20-0012-U, AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED TO RESCIND  
RESIDENTIAL EVICTION REGULATIONS AND RESTATE, THERE'S A FEW  
TYPOS, INCLUDING NUMBER AT THE TOP.  
SO I WILL GIVE MARTHA THE CORRECTED VERSION, THAT THIS IS  
ADOPTED, I WILL INTRODUCE TONIGHT.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY.  
CAN WE HAVE A VOTE, PLEASE?  
>> COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY?  
>> S. Hadley: YES.  
>> MAYOR STERN?  
>> Mayor Stern: YES.  
>> MAYOR PRO TEM NAPOLITANO?  
>> S. Napolitano: YES.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?  
>> R. Montgomery: YES.  
>> COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: YES.  
>> MOTION PASSES, 5-0.  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: WE WILL PUT THIS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 18.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW AND COLLEAGUES. WE WILL MOVE ONTO ITEM 15.  
SENATE BILL 9, I WILL TURN THIS OVER TO COMMUNITY DIRECTOR TAI.  
>> HELLO, MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS.  
PLANNING MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN HERE ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY DIRECTOR TAI.  
I WILL INTRODUCE SB9 AND 10.  
LET'S WALK THROUGH THE TIMELINE.  
ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2021, THE GOVERNOR SIGNED SB9 AND 10 INTO LAW. DECEMBER 7, CITY COUNCIL REQUEST STAFF SCHEDULE A FUTURE AGENDA ITEM.  
TODAY THEY ARE FULFILLING THAT REQUEST.  
AND JANUARY 2022 IT WILL GO INTO EFFECT.  
SB 10 ALLOWS JURISDICTIONS IN AN URBANIZED AREA TO ADOPT A ZONING ORDINANCE THAT PERMITS UP TO 10 RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON A CERTAIN PARCEL WITHIN CERTAIN AREAS.  
IT'S ENTIRELY VOLUNTARILY, MEANING NO JURISDICTION IS MANDATED TO ADOPT SUCH ORDINANCE OR TO ALLOW TEN RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON A SINGLE PARCEL.  
UNLESS DIRECTED OTHERWISE, THE CITY DOESN'T INTEND TO PURSUE AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SB 10.  
IN CONTRAST TO SB 10, SB9 IS NOT VOLUNTARY.  
SENATE BILL 9 REQUIRES COUNCIL TO APPROVE ADMINISTERIALLY.  
NO PUBLIC HEARING OR REVIEW.  
ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT COULD BE CONSTRUCTED FOR TOTAL OF 4 UNITS ON A SINGLE-FAMILY LOT.  
ALSO APPROVE AN URBAN LOT SPLIT.  
ONE LOT INTO TWO SLOTS OF APPROXIMATELY EQUAL SIZE.  
MAXIMUM OF TWO UNITS ALLOWED ON EACH LOT, WHAT WAS ONCE A SINGLE-FAMILY LOT COULD ACCOMMODATE UP TO FOUR RESIDENTIAL UNITS WHICH MAY INCLUDE ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.  
WHILE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SENATE BILL 9 IS NOT OPTIONAL.  
ADOPT THAT INCLUDE CUSTOMIZED DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR THE ZONE, SUCH AS HEIGHT, SETBACKS, LOT COVERAGE, ETC.  
AS LONG AS THE STANDARDS ARE OBJECTIVE.  
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR OUR CITY?  
SB9 IS APPLICABLE IN ZONING DISTRICTS THAT LIMIT HOUSING TO SINGLE FAMILY HOMES AND ONLY APPLICABLE IN THE CITY'S RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY ZONE.  
RS9 IS IN DISTRICTS 1, 2 AND PORTIONS OF 3.  
THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 8,440 LOTS IN THE R.S. ZONE AND NONE ARE IN THE COASTAL ZONE.  
WHILE THE MAJORITY OF THE LOTS IN THE R.S. ZONE ARE ELIGIBLE FOR

URBAN LOT SPLITS, THE FEASIBILITY OF AN URBAN LOT SPLIT DEPENDS ON EXISTING, ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, LOT WIDTH, SETBACK AND OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS.

AN ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE PARKING AND DRIVEWAYS.

BASED ON PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT, STAFF ESTIMATES 3% OF LOTS WOULD PURSUE URBAN LOT SPLITS.

THIS COMPORTS WITH A STUDY BY UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, WHICH ESTIMATED IT WAS FEASIBLE TO DEVELOP BETWEEN 1.5 AND 5.4% OF SINGLE-FAMILY LOTS IN THE STATE, UTILIZING THE PROVISIONS OF SB9.

WE PUT TOGETHER THIS SLIDE TO DEMONSTRATE THE POTENTIAL OUTCOMES FOR WHEN A PROPERTY OWNER OPTS TO UTILIZE PROVISIONS OF SB9.

IN THE SCENARIO ON THE LEFT OF THE SCREEN WE HAVE AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY LOT WITH AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE.

THAT PROPERTY OWNER CAN BUILD A SECOND RESIDENCE ON THE LOT.

IF THEY SO CHOOSE, THEY CAN ADD UP TO ONE ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT FOR A TOTAL OF FOUR RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON THE SINGLE LOT.

SCENARIO ON THE RIGHT, THE PROPERTY OWNER CHOOSES TO SPLIT THE LOT INTO TWO EQUAL LOTS WITH TWO TOTAL RESIDENTIAL UNITS FOR TOTAL OF FOUR UNITS ON WHAT WAS PREVIOUSLY ONE LOT.

IN THIS SCENARIO THE COMPRESSION OF UNITS MAY VARY.

THEY CAN BUILD ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT WITH SINGLE FAMILY ON THE FIRST LOT, OR DUPLEX ON THE SECOND, OR DUPLEX ON EACH LOT.

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF COMBINATIONS HOWEVER, NONE CAN TOTAL MORE THAN FOUR UNITS.

IF A PROPERTY OWNER CHOOSES TO UTILIZE S.B.9 FOR MULTIPLE UNITS, THERE ARE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS.

PROPERTY OWNERS CAN NOT DEMOLISH MORE THAN 25% OF EXISTING UNIT STRUCTURAL WALLS IN THE SITE HAS BEEN OCCUPIED BY A TENANT IN THE LAST THREE YEARS.

THIS PROTECTS RENTERS WHO MAY RESIDE ON THE PROPERTY.

THE CITY IS ALLOWED TO REQUIRE SETBACKS UP TO FOUR FEET FROM SIDE AND REAR PROPERTY LINES.

THE CITY CANNOT PRECLUDE DEVELOPMENT OF TWO UNITS AT LEAST 800 SQUARE FEET ON EACH PARCEL.

EXISTING RESIDENCES RECONSTRUCTED IN THE SAME PLACE AND WITH THE SAME SIZE MAY MAINTAIN EXISTING SETBACKS.

CITIES MAY REQUIRE ONE OFF-STREET PARKING SPACE FOR EACH NEW UNIT, UNLESS THE PARCEL IS LOCATED WITHIN ONE HALF MILE OF A HIGH-QUALITY TRANSIT CORRIDOR OR A MAJOR TRANSIT STOP.

I WILL STOP HERE QUICKLY JUST TO WEIGH IN ON THIS PARTICULAR PROVISION.

CURRENTLY, AS IT STANDS, WE DO -- NOWHERE IN THE CITY QUALIFIES FOR THIS, THEREFORE WE ARE REQUIRING ONE PARKING SPACE FOR EACH UNIT.

HOWEVER, THAT MAY CHANGE AS HIGH-QUALITY TRANSIT CORRIDORS ESSENTIALLY ARE DEFINED BY BUS SIGNS OR TRANSIT LINES THAT HAVE

PICKUPS AT A MINIMUM EVERY 15 MINUTES.  
WE HAVE ONE THAT COMES CLOSE BUT NOT QUITE THERE.  
IT MAY CHANGE AT SOME POINT IN THE FUTURE.  
LAST BUT NOT LEAST, SHORT-TERM RENTALS ARE PROHIBITED AS ARE ALL NONE-RESIDENTIAL USES.  
IF A PROPERTY OWNER CHOOSES TO UTILIZE SB-9 TO SPLIT THE LOT, SB-9 IMPOSES THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS, NO MORE THAN TWO PARCELS BY AN URBAN LOT SPLIT.  
THEY MUST BE ROUGHLY EQUAL IN SIZE, NO SMALLER THAN 40% OF THE ORIGINAL LOT SIZE.  
BOTH PARCELS MUST BE AT LEAST 1200 SQUARE FEET.  
PROPERTY OWNERS CANNOT SPLIT A LOT CREATED BY AN SB9 LOT SPLIT. CANNOT PRECLUDE UNITS OF APPROXIMATELY 1200 SQUARE FOOT EACH PER PARCEL.  
CITY CANNOT REQUIRE RIGHT OF WAY DEDICATION; OWNER OCCUPANCY IS REQUIRED ON ONE OF THE LOTS FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS.  
WITH THIS PARTICULAR PROVISION, THAT PREVENTS DEVELOPERS FROM M COMING IN, BUYING LOTS, SPLITTING AND FLIPPING AND SELLING BOTH LOTS OFF AND THEN RENTING ALL THE UNITS.  
SO THERE IS AN OWNER OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENT WHEN YOU CHOOSE TO UTILIZE THE SB-9 URBAN LOT SPLIT.  
SHORT-TERM RENTALS ARE PROHIBITS AS ARE ALL USES.  
IN ADDITION TO STATE REGULATIONS IN SB-9 APPLICANTS PROPOSING WILL NEED TO COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE REGULATIONS IN THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL CODE, AS LONG AS APPLICATION OF OUR MUNICIPAL CODE REQUIREMENTS DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO FOUR UNITS OF 800 SQUARE FEET EACH.  
FURTHERMORE SB9 ALLOWS LOCAL JURISDICTIONS TO ADOPT OBJECTIVE STANDARDS TO ENSURE PROJECTS ARE DEVELOPED CONSISTENTLY WITH EACH JURISDICTIONS REQUIREMENT AND LOCAL CHARACTER.  
THE DRAFT URGENCY ZONING ORDINANCE BEING PRESENTED TO COUNCIL REQUIRES AN APPLICATION, APPLICATION FEE AND SWORN STATEMENT AFFIRMING ELIGIBILITY WITH SB9 REGULATIONS.  
IT PROVIDES FOR AN APPLICANT-FUNDED VERIFIED PROCESS.  
COVENANT COMMITTING CURRENT AND FUTURE PROPERTY OWNERS FOR SB9 FOR THE LIFE OF THE PROJECT AND INTRODUCES OBJECTIVE STANDARDS THAT FOSTER PROJECTS CONSISTENT WITH THE CITY'S CHARACTER.  
THE PROPOSED OBJECTIVE STANDARDS FOR DEVELOPMENT INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REQUIRED PARKING OF ONE SPACE PER UNIT WITH ACCESS REQUIRED VIA ALLEY IF THERE IS ONE.  
CONCEAL PRIVATE ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.  
MATCH FLASHING VENTS PIPES.  
PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FROM THE RIGHT OF WAY TO THE UNIT.  
MAXIMUM 10-FEET WIDTH DRIVEWAYS FOR NARROW LOTS.  
IF THE PROJECT INCLUDES AN URBAN LOT SPLIT NONE ALLOWED IF ADJACENT TO ALLEY, CORNER OR THROUGH-LOT.  
MINIMUM LOT OF 20 FEET WOULD BE REQUIRED AND PLANS MUST



DEMONSTRATE ACCESS TO PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY IN PERPETUITY.  
THE COVENANT MEANS NO SHORT-TERM RENTALS, NO NON-RESIDENTIAL  
UNITS FOR THE LIFE OF THE PROJECT.  
STATE LAW AUTHORIZES PUBLIC AGENCIES TO CHARGE FEES TO RECOVER  
THE COST OF PROCESSING APPLICATIONS.  
EACH WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY FOUR HOURS TO REVIEW, INCLUDING  
CORRESPONDENCE APPLICANTS REVIEW OF PLANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
REGULATIONS.  
PROCESSING OF APPROVAL DOCUMENTS INCLUDING COVENANTS.  
AT THE ASSOCIATE PLANNER HOURLY RATE OF \$143.01 THIS COMES TO  
\$572.04.  
STAFF PROPOSES A FEE OF \$572 FOR SB9 DEVELOPMENT REVIEW AS  
DETAILED IN THE DRAFT RESOLUTION PRESENTED TO COUNCIL.  
THIS BRINGS US TO POLICY ALTERNATIVES.  
THE FIRST OPTION AVAILABLE TO COUNCIL IS TO TAKE NO ACTION.  
BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, STAFF WOULD IMPLEMENT THE SB9  
REGULATIONS AS WRITTEN IN STATE LAW AND IMPLEMENT APPLICABLE  
REGULATIONS.  
THE SECOND OPTION ADOPT URGENCY ORDINANCE AND ASSOCIATED FEE  
RESOLUTION.  
WHILE THIS OPTION WOULD STILL MANDATE THAT CITY STAFF CARRY OUT  
PROVISIONS IN SB9 THE ORDINANCE WOULD PROVIDE IMPROVED  
SPECIFICITY AND ENSURE LONG-TERM COMPLIANCE WITH SB-9.  
OPTION AS URGENCY ORDINANCE PREVENTS UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES  
RELYING SOLELY ON STATE LAW JANUARY 1, 2022, WHEN SB9 TAKES  
EFFECT.  
MEANTIME STAFF WOULD COMMENCE WORK ON A LONG-TERM ORDINANCE.  
STAFF RECOMMENDS ACTIONS ARE EXCEPT FROM CEQA PURSUANT TO CODE  
SECTION 65852.21J, AS WELL AS 15378, 15308 OF THE CEQA  
GUIDELINES.  
IN CONCLUSION STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE COUNCIL ADOPT DRAFT  
URGENCY INTERIM ORDINANCE, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL SPECIFICITY FOR  
SB9 REGULATIONS AND ADOPT THE DRAFT REGULATION TO ESTABLISH A FEE  
FOR SB9 PROJECTS.  
THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION AND I'M AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU FOR THAT PRESENTATION.  
DOES ANYBODY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THIS TIME?  
COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY?  
>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU.  
THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.  
AND THANK YOU, PLANNING MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN.  
I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS.  
WHAT IS A RIGHT OF WAY DEDICATION?  
>> SO, A RIGHT OF WAY DEDICATION WOULD BE A STREET, FOR EXAMPLE.  
WE CANNOT REQUIRE THAT A PORTION OF THE NEWLY CREATED LOT IS --  
DEDICATED TO THE CITY FOR RIGHT OF WAY PURPOSES.  
SO, IF THEY WANT TO CREATE ACCESS, THEY COULD -- THEY COULD DO

THAT VIA AN EASEMENT, IF IT WERE TO BE AN INTERIOR LOT.  
BUT THE CITY CANNOT, AS A PART OF THE APPROVAL OF THE URBAN LOT  
SPLIT, GO IN AND REQUIRE THE PROPERTY OWNER TO DEDICATE A PIECE  
OF WHAT IS CURRENTLY PRIVATE PROPERTY TO THE CITY, AS A PUBLIC  
RIGHT OF WAY.

>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU.

AND THEN ON PAGE 8, MY FINAL QUESTION IS, I'M WRAPPING AROUND MY  
HEAD AROUND THIS 25% DEMOLITION OF EXTERIOR WALL IF TENANT-  
OCCUPIED.

THAT MEANS RENTAL TENANTS, CORRECT?

NOT AN OWNER-OCCUPIED TENANT?

>> RIGHT.

THE PROVISION IS REALLY INTEND TODAY PROTECT ANY TENANTS, ANY  
RENTERS THAT MIGHT BE LIVING ON THE PROPERTY.

AND THAT WAY YOU DON'T HAVE FOLKS GOING IN, KICKING PEOPLE OUT TO  
BUILD BRAND NEW PROJECTS.

THAT WOULD REALLY DEFEAT THE PURPOSE OF MAKING SURE WE ARE ALSO  
MAINTAINING RENTAL HOUSING AND ALL SORTS OF HOUSING TO THE FOLKS  
IN OUR COMMUNITY.

>> S. Hadley: THANK YOU, PLANNING MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN.

GREAT REPORT.

I SHUDDER AT THE CAPTION ALL ROADS LEAD TO FOUR.

THAT'S A GREAT CAPTION ON THE SLIDE.

GREAT REPORT.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: YES, THANK YOU, MAYOR STERN.

AND THANK YOU PLANNING MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN, SORRY ABOUT THAT.

I REALLY AM SORRY ABOUT THAT.

SO ON PAGE, I BELIEVE PAGE 8 OF YOUR PRESENTATION, PAGE 266 OF  
THE TOTAL AGENDA PACKET.

IT SAID RENT.

AND IT SAID SHORT-TERM RENTALS ARE PROHIBITED.

IS THAT A STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION?

OR IS THAT BECAUSE OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH ORDINANCE?

>> THAT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN.

THE STATE ORDINANCE ITSELF, ACTUALLY PROHIBITS SHORT-TERM RENTALS  
AS A RESULT.

YOU KNOW, WITH ANY PROJECTS RESULTING FROM SB-9.

WITH THE INTENT OF THE ORDINANCE TRULY BEING TO CREATE MORE  
HOUSING STOCK.

AND THEREFORE, IT IS A PART OF THE STATE ORDINANCE.

>> J. Franklin: OKAY, SO THE SAME REQUIREMENTS APPLY.

A 30-DAY, OR LONGER, LEASE, IS APPLICABLE?

>> THAT'S RIGHT.

>> J. Franklin: OKAY, GREAT.

AND JUST RIGHT ABOVE THAT, IN THE PARKING, WHERE YOU TALK ABOUT  
WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE FROM "HIGH QUALITY TRANSIT CORRIDOR".

OR -- THIS ANSWERS MY QUESTION, HOW CLOSE.  
SO IT'S WITHIN HALF A MILE THEN?  
>> RIGHT.  
>> J. Franklin: IF IT DID EXIST IT'S WITHIN HALF A MILE.  
>> YES.  
>> J. Franklin: HALF A MILE, THAT'S A LOT.  
>> WITHIN ONE HALF MILE WE WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO REQUIRE A  
PARKING SPOT FOR EACH NEW UNIT.  
>> J. Franklin: RIGHT.  
NOW IS THAT A, WOULD THAT BE CONSIDERED, MY OLD GEOMETRY, A  
RADIUS?  
YOU DRAW A CIRCLE AROUND THAT?  
OR IS IT --  
>> Mayor Stern: AS THE CROW FLIES.  
>> J. Franklin: OKAY.  
THAT COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE.  
AND GOING BACK TO THE 3%.  
OR 253 RS ZONED LOTS THAT APPLY.  
I WAS TRYING TO GET MY HANDS AROUND THIS.  
CAN YOU JUST DESCRIBE A LOT UPON WHICH THIS WOULD APPLY?  
THIS SEEMS LIKE IT WOULD NEED AT LEAST 4800 SQUARE FEET OR 5,000  
SQUARE FEET.  
YOU WOULD NEED A STREET, LINEAR STREET ABOVE THE STREET.  
SOMEONE IS GOING TO PUT IN FOUR UNITS, YOU WOULD NEED EIGHT, THE  
PARKING REQUIREMENT IS ONE PER UNIT.  
SO YOU WOULD NEED FOUR SPOTS FOR CARS ON THE STREET.  
AND YOU STILL HAVE TO HAVE, SO IF IT'S AN INSIDE LOT YOU STILL  
NEED TO HAVE AT LEAST 10-18 FEET FOR A DRIVEWAY.  
IF IT'S A 50-FOOT LOT, I MEAN, WOULD YOU HAVE ROOM FOR THOSE FOUR  
CARS?  
>> I'LL START WITH THE FIRST POINT YOU RAISED, COUNCILMEMBER  
FRANKLIN.  
THE 3% IS NOT AN ELIGIBILITY CALCULATION.  
IT'S JUST AN ESTIMATE OF WHAT, HOW MANY LOTS WE EXPECT WOULD  
PURSUE THE PROVISIONS OF SB9 BASED ON STREET FRONTAGES, EXISTING  
DEVELOPMENT, THE SIZE OF THE LOTS THAT EXIST IN THE CITY.  
AND REALLY BASED ON HOW MANY LOTS WE HAVE SEEN PURSUE; PROVISIONS  
THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE A.D.U. REGULATIONS.  
>> J. Franklin: RIGHT.  
>> SO JUST TO SHED A LITTLE BIT MORE LIGHT ON THE MATTER.  
SO IF YOU HAVE A CORNER LOT, FOR EXAMPLE, YOU COULD GET ACCESS TO  
A PORTION FROM ONE SIDE OF THE STREET, AND THEN ACCESS TO THE  
REAR PART OF THE LOT FROM THE SIDE OF THE STREET THAT'S JUST  
AROUND THE CORNER, THAT MAY BE A LOT, THAT MAY BE EASIER TO APPLY  
SB9 LOT SPLIT OR JUST ADDITIONAL UNIT PROVISIONS TO.  
WHEREAS, WHEN YOU HAVE AN INTERIOR LOT, IT MAKES IT MUCH MORE  
COMPLICATED BECAUSE THERE HAS TO BE AN EASEMENT INVOLVED.

YOU DO HAVE TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR AN ADDITIONAL DRIVEWAY.  
SO THOSE FACTORS WE CONSIDER TO BE LIMITING FACTORS.  
WHICH IS WHY, WE'RE NOT NECESSARILY SAYING THOSE LOTS ARE NOT  
ELIGIBLE.  
WE JUST THINK THE CONFIGURATION, LOCATION, SIZE, JUST MAKES IT  
MUCH MORE COMPLICATED TO UTILIZE THESE PROVISIONS.  
>> J. Franklin: GOT IT.  
OKAY.  
AND SO THE FOUR-FOOT SETBACK, THAT'S FROM THE OUTER PROPERTY  
LINES?  
IT'S NOT BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS THAT ARE ACTUALLY BUILT ON THE  
LOT?  
>> THAT'S CORRECT.  
THE FOUR-FOOT SETBACKS ARE WHAT THE STATE SAYS WE COULD ALLOW FOR  
REAR AND SIDE SETBACKS.  
>> J. Franklin: OKAY.  
BUT HOW ABOUT BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS?  
>> BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS, YOU KNOW, IF THE CITY HAS A SETBACK  
REQUIREMENT BETWEEN STRUCTURES, WE CAN STILL APPLY THAT.  
SO, AS I MENTIONED IN ONE OF MY EARLIER SLIDES IS WE WOULD APPLY  
THE SB9 REGULATIONS IN ADDITION TO OUR MUNICIPAL CODE  
REQUIREMENTS, AS LONG AS IT DOESN'T PRECLUDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
THOSE MINIMUM SIZE UNITS.  
IF WE HAVE A MINIMUM SETBACK WITH STRUCTURES, WE CAN CONTINUE TO  
APPLY THAT ASSUMING IT DOESN'T PRECLUDE THE MINIMUM OF WHAT'S  
ALLOWED IN STATE LAW.  
>> J. Franklin: OKAY.  
AND IS THERE ANYTHING ATTACHED TO A QUALIFYING LOTS TITLE THAT  
WOULD INDICATE THAT IT QUALIFIES FOR THIS?  
OR, I'M JUST THINKING, YOU KNOW, IN A PURCHASE OF A HOME, YOU  
HAVE A DISCLOSURE STATEMENT.  
I'M JUST WONDERING IF THERE'S ANY NEGATIVE EFFECTS TO HAVING IT  
NOTED THAT IT IS DIVIDABLE OR IT IS QUALIFIED FOR SB-9.  
>> THE MAIN QUALIFYING FACTOR RIGHT NOW IS THAT IT'S WITHIN THE  
CITY'S R.S. SINGLE FAMILY ZONING DISTRICT.  
AND SO IF YOU ARE IN THE R.S. ZONE, THEN THE PROVISIONS OF SB9  
APPLY TO YOU, ASSUMING YOU CAN MEET ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS.  
SO WE WOULD HAVE TO EVALUATE EACH PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCE ON A  
CASE-BY-CASE BASIS TO ULTIMATELY DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IT'S  
FEASIBLE.  
BUT YOU KNOW,  
OTHERWISE WE WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH 8,440 LOTS TO MAKE THAT  
DETERMINATION.  
IF YOU ARE IN THE R.S. ZONE THEY ARE APPLICABLE TO YOU.  
YOU MAY COME IN AND TALK TO STAFF AND DISCUSS WHAT THE  
REGULATIONS ARE AND WHETHER OR NOT IT'S FEASIBLE FOR THE  
PROPERTY.

>> J. Franklin: OKAY, GREAT.  
THANK YOU SO MUCH, I APPRECIATE THAT.

>> Mayor Stern: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS BY ANY OTHER COLLEAGUES?

>> J. Franklin: SORRY, I TURNED THE PAGE.  
I HAVE ONE MORE, IF I MAY.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: ON PAGE 11, WHERE YOU TALK ABOUT THE SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS AND EVERYTHING, AND VERIFYING THE PROCESS, HOW IS THAT SWORN STATEMENT AFFIRMING ELIGIBILITY ENFORCED?  
SO SAY, SOMEONE COMES IN AND APPLIES FOR IT AND YOU KNOW, THEY SWEAR THIS AFFIDAVIT, HOW DO WE KNOW?  
IS THERE ANY FOLLOW-UP?  
TO VERIFY WHAT THEY ARE AFFIRMING TO IS CORRECT?

>> THAT MOSTLY REFERS TO THE REQUIREMENTS THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE, FOR EXAMPLE, THERE HAS NOT BEEN A RENTER IN A PARTICULAR UNIT FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS.  
IT WOULD PUT A RESOURCE BURDEN ON THE CITY FOR US TO GO IN, IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND INDIVIDUALLY MAKE THOSE DETERMINATIONS.  
THERE ARE MULTIPLE THINGS IN OUR PROCESSES WE USE SELF-CERTIFICATIONS.  
THIS IS ONE SITUATION WE ARE PUTTING THE BURDEN ON THE PROPERTY OWNER TO ATTEST TO THE FACT THEY DON'T HAVE A RENTER OR HAVEN'T HAD A RENTER ON THE PROPERTY FOR THREE YEARS, THEREFORE THEY ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS PROCESS.  
AND THAT'S NOT AN UNCOMMON PROCESS IN OUR APPLICATION PROCESS.  
THERE ARE PROVISIONS THAT PROTECT THE CITY IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN WE DO UTILIZE SELF-ATTESTATIONS OR SELF-CERTIFICATIONS.

>> J. Franklin: COULDN'T IT BE SUBJECT TO SOME MISTRUTHS?  
OR.  
I MEAN, HOW DO WE KNOW FOR SURE?  
I GUESS WE DON'T, RIGHT?

>> THAT'S CORRECT.  
IT'S POSSIBLE, BUT THERE'S A LOT RIDING ON IT.  
WE HOPE PEOPLE TAKE THESE SERIOUSLY.  
IF, FOR ANY REASON, THE TRUTH CAME OUT, THAT WOULD NEGATE THE ENTIRE PROCESS AND APPROVAL.

>> J. Franklin: OKAY, BUT THE PROJECT COULD HAVE BEEN STARTED ALREADY, RIGHT?

>> THEORETICALLY, YES.  
THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE DON'T REALLY RUN INTO THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES.  
THERE ARE A LOT OF FACTORS THAT WE EVALUATE DURING AN APPLICATION PROCESS.  
AT SOME POINT, I THINK, IT WOULD BE UNCOVERED.

>> J. Franklin: OKAY, THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?  
I DO HAVE A QUESTION.

I'M WONDERING ABOUT THE PARKING.  
AND I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THIS A LITTLE BIT CLEARER.  
SO IN THE URGENCY ORDINANCE AT SECTION D-G IT SAYS ALL REQUIRED  
PARKING SHALL BE MAINTAINED.  
IN GENERAL, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR RESIDENTIAL PARKING?  
>> SO WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO PRESERVE HERE IS FOLKS, INCLUDING THE  
REQUIRED PARKING AS A PART OF THE PROJECT AND GOING IN A COUPLE  
YEARS DOWN THE LINE AND CONVERTING THAT TO A STORAGE ROOM, OR  
CONVERTING IT TO SOME OTHER SPACE OR DEMOLISHING THE PARKING, FOR  
EXAMPLE.  
WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO IS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC PARKING THAT'S  
AVAILABLE ON THE STREETS BY NOT ONLY REQUIRING THAT THEY PROVIDE  
THE PARKING ON SITE BUT ALSO THAT THEY PROTECT THAT IN  
PERPETUITY.  
AND SO, IT'S JUST AN ADDITIONAL WAY OF US PRESERVING THE PUBLIC  
PARKING SPACES.  
AND KEEP IN MIND THAT WE HAVE DRAFTED THE URGENCY ORDINANCE TO  
THE BEST OF OUR ABILITIES.  
AND PUTTING IN THE, WHAT WE THINK ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS  
THAT WE ARE TRYING TO PRESERVE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND WE WILL BE  
TAKING THE TIME TO FURTHER EVALUATE ALL OF THESE AND POTENTIALLY  
REVISE OR CLEAN UP ANYTHING OR EVEN ADD PROVISIONS AS WE SEE FIT  
AS WE GO THROUGH THE PROCESS FOR A LONG-TERM ORDINANCE.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, THANK YOU.  
THAT DOES CLARIFY WITH THAT LANGUAGE.  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: MAYOR, LET ME ADD TO THAT, SOME OF  
THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL HAVE GONE THROUGH THE PROCESS  
WITH THE A.D.U.'S.  
ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.  
SO EACH YEAR, A NEW ORDINANCE CAME ALONG AND THE COUNCIL ADJUSTED  
THE SIZE AFTER GETTING PUBLIC INPUT AT PUBLIC HEARINGS.  
AND THEN THE PLANNING COMMISSION ALSO WEIGHED IN.  
ALSO WITH A.D.U.'S THE STATE KEPT CHANGING.  
EVERY YEAR, THEY AMENDED THEIR STATE STATUTE ON ACCESSORY  
DWELLING UNITS.  
THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS YOU HAVE AN INTERIM ORDINANCE SO STAFF  
AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION WITH PUBLIC INPUT CAN STUDY THIS AND  
SEE HOW IT APPLIES TO THE CITY, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THE STATE  
MIGHT CHANGE THE RULES THE NEXT YEAR ANYWAY.  
SO THAT'S WHAT THE PROCESS IS.  
LOTS OF PUBLIC INPUT, PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS.  
THAT'S DOWN THE ROAD.  
RIGHT NOW THIS IS GOOD FOR 45 DAYS, IF YOU ADOPT IT TONIGHT.  
THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING TO EXTEND IT, I THINK IT WILL BE  
SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 1st.  
THEREAFTER YOU CAN EXTEND IT FOR ONE MORE YEAR, IF YOU HAVEN'T  
INCLUDED ALL THE STUDIES WITHIN THAT ONE YEAR.

>> Mayor Stern: SO THANK YOU FOR MENTIONING THAT.  
THAT WAS ONE OF MY QUESTIONS.  
IF WE DO EXTEND IT FOR ONE MORE YEAR, IT'S ONLY ONE MORE YEAR AND  
THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK IN AND ADOPT ANOTHER RESIDENCY --  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: THE FIRST ORDINANCE IS GOOD FOR 45  
DAYS.  
THE SECOND ORDINANCE, THE SECOND EXTENSION IS GOOD FOR ADDING UP  
TO ONE YEAR.  
YOU COULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO, OR THE ABILITY TO EXTEND IT  
FOR ONE MORE YEAR.  
AT THAT POINT, NO MORE EXTENSIONS.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, GREAT.  
THANK YOU.  
THAT CLEARS THAT UP.  
CAN I JUST ASK, IS THERE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LANGUAGE OF A.D.U.'S  
WHEN THEY REFER TO PARKING AND THE PARCELS BEING WITHIN A HALF  
MILE OF A BUS STOP VERSUS S.B.9 WHICH IS A MAJOR TRANSIT STOP?  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: YES, THAT'S SOMETHING OUR STAFF  
FOCUSED ON, IT'S A DIFFERENT TERM.  
A.D.U.'S, IF THEY ARE WITHIN A BUS STOP, UNDER STATE LAW YOU  
CAN'T REQUIRE PARKING.  
THIS IS DIFFERENT, THEY USE THE TERM, MAJOR TRANSIT STOP.  
HIGH QUALITY TRANSIT CORRIDOR OR MAJOR TRANSIT STOP.  
WHICH IS DIFFERENT THAN THE LANGUAGE THAT THE STATE USED FOR  
ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.  
IT'S A KEY SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE.  
>> I WILL ADD TO THAT, MAYOR, IN THE A.D.U., THE LANGUAGE THAT'S  
USED IN THE A.D.U. REGULATIONS AS IT RELATES TO BUS STOPS  
ESSENTIALLY QUALIFIES THE ENTIRE CITY FOR THAT PARKING EXEMPTION.  
WE DON'T REQUIRE PARKING AS PART OF AN A.D.U. BECAUSE OF THAT.  
I MENTIONED IN THE PRESENTATION, THE WAY IT'S WRITTEN IN THIS  
REGULATION, WE CAN REQUIRE THE PARKING.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, THE MAJOR TRANSIT STOP IS SOMETHING MORE  
THAN JUST A BUS STOP.  
THANKS FOR CLARIFYING THAT.  
THANK YOU.  
OKAY, I HAVE NO MORE QUESTIONS.  
IF THERE ARE NO OTHERS WHO DO HAVE QUESTIONS, THEN WE WILL OPEN  
THIS TO PUBLIC COMMENT.  
>> THERE'S NO REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS VIA ZOOM.  
>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, SO IT'S TIME FOR DISCUSSION, OR A MOTION TO  
ADOPT THE URGENCY ORDINANCE.  
>> S. Hadley: YOUR HONOR, I MOVE TO ADOPT URGENCY ORDINANCE 21-  
0009-U.  
AND MAYBE A SECOND MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: YOU CAN DO THEM BOTH AT THE SAME  
TIME.

>> S. Hadley: OKAY, THEN A AND B IS MY MOTION FOR ITEM 15 ON THE AGENDA.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, DO I HAVE A SECOND?  
A MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER HADLEY AND A SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY.

>> R. Montgomery: YES.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: I WILL READ THE TITLE OF THE ORDINANCE, URGENCY ORDINANCE 21-0009-U, INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, ADOPTING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS RELATED TO URBAN LOT SPLITS AND HOUSING UNITS BUILT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SENATE BILL 9 AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, CAN WE HAVE A VOTE ON THAT?

>> [ROLL CALL]

MOTION PASSES, 5-0.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: URGENCY ORDINANCE REQUIRED FOUR VOTES.

YOU GOT MORE THAN FOUR VOTES, YOU GOT FIVE VOTES, SO IT'S EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

AND STAFF WILL PUT TOGETHER AN EXTENSION ORDINANCE FOR FEBRUARY 1st.

THE NEXT JANUARY 18th YOU WILL ALSO HAVE A REPORT FROM THE STAFF, THAT'S REQUIRED TO BE DONE BEFORE YOU EXTEND THE ORDINANCE.

>> Mayor Stern: OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK, PLANNING MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN, I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR HELP.

IT'S COMPLICATED TO UNDERSTAND THAT AND YOU REALLY MADE THAT EASIER FOR US TO UNDERSTAND, THANK YOU FOR THAT.

>> MY PLEASURE, MAYOR.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Stern: SO WE ARE MOVING ONTO ITEM #M WHICH IS CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND REPORTS INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS.

DO WE HAVE ANY REPORTS OR REQUESTS AT THIS TIME?

I DON'T SEE ANY REPORTS.

SO WE WILL MOVE ONTO ITEM N, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

DOES ANYONE HAVE AN ITEM THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA?

>> J. Franklin: I JUST HAVE A QUESTION HERE.

>> Mayor Stern: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?

>> J. Franklin: THANK YOU.

WHERE CAN WE DISCUSS OR HOW DO WE DISCUSS PRIORITIZING THE PROVISION FOR SPECIFICATIONS FOR PRIVATE DECKS?

YOU KNOW, AT LEAST IN THE SENSE OF GETTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO PRIORITIZE IT SO WE CAN GO AHEAD-

>> Mayor Stern: OUTDOOR DINING DECKS?

ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE DISCUSSION OF THE LONG-TERM INN?

>> J. Franklin: YEAH, ABOUT THE LONG-TERM DINING DECKS.

>> Mayor Stern: I GUESS WE WILL PUT THAT TO CITY MANAGER MOE TO



DISCUSS THE PROCESS.

>> City Manager B. Moe: I BELIEVE WE DO; IT MAY NOT BE THE TIMING YOU ARE LOOKING FOR BUT WE HAVE A DISCUSSION OF WORK PLAN COMING UP, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S UNTIL MARCH.

IF YOU WANT SOMETHING SOONER YOU COULD ASK IT BE ADDED TO A FUTURE AGENDA ITEM AND YOU CAN COME BACK AND HAVE THAT DISCUSSION.

OR QUINN, UNLESS YOU BELIEVE UNDER COVID WE CAN DO IT UNDER THAT?

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: YES.

THERE'S BEEN ENOUGH DISCUSSION ON THAT TOPIC.

IT'S REALLY JUST, A VOTE OF STAFF TO REPORT BACK TO YOU.

>> S. Napolitano: I'M SURE WE WILL GET TO THAT RIGHT AFTER THE BRUCE'S BEACH PART.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: GREAT.

>> Mayor Stern: WHY DON'T YOU LOOK AT THE CAMERA AND SAY THAT.  
[ CHUCKLES ]

STAFF HAS ALREADY BEEN DIRECTED TO ADD THIS TO THE WORK PLAN. IS YOUR INTENTION, COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN TO HAVE IT DONE SOONER?

>> J. Franklin: YES.

I BELIEVE WE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, PROVIDING DIRECTION OR GETTING SOME SPECIFICATIONS OR A PLAN FOR PERMANENT OUTDOOR DINING.

SO, WE NEED TO --

>> Mayor Stern: IS THERE ANY PROCESS AT THIS POINT FOR HAVING STAFF BEGIN TO LOOK AT THE OUTDOOR DINING, LONG TERM PLAN? BEFORE IT HITS THE WORK PLAN WHEN WE LOOK AT THAT.

>> J. Franklin: THAT'S THREE MONTHS.

>> I WILL TELL YOU, IF THE GOAL IS TO MOVE THAT UP IN THE PRIORITIES, WE WILL HAVE TO HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE OTHER THINGS DURING THE WORK PLAN AND HOW THOSE GET SHIFTED AROUND OR DROPPED AND ALSO NEED TO TALK ABOUT ADDITIONAL STAFFING OR CONSULTANTS THAT COULD HELP WITH THAT, THERE'S PROBABLY TIME AND MONEY INVOLVED AND GETTING THE RESOURCES NEEDED, AS WELL AS REPRIORITIZING.

IF YOU WANT A REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORK PLAN ITEMS AND POSSIBLY REPRIORITIZING OUTDOOR DINING, WE CAN BRING THAT BACK.

I WILL TALK WITH CARRIE, BUT WE WILL SHOOT FOR THE JANUARY 18th MEETING TO HAVE THAT DISCUSSION.

>> J. Franklin: OKAY.

YES, I WOULD.

>> Mayor Stern: I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT AS WELL, IF THAT COULD COME DURING THE COVID PORTION OF THE MEETING, AS QUINN SAID, EVEN BETTER.

>> City Manager B. Moe: PERHAPS IT'S JUST A GENERAL BUSINESS ITEM.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: RIGHT, THIS IS JUST TAKE A LOOK AT

THE WORK PLAN AND SEE IF YOU CAN RE-SET THE PRIORITIES.

>> Mayor Stern: AND THIS HAS ALREADY BEEN DIRECTED, SO WE DON'T NEED TO COME BACK.

>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: EXACTLY.

>> Mayor Stern: SO WE WILL LOOK AT INCLUDING IT ON THE JANUARY 18th AGENDA, IT JUST LOOKS LIKE WE KEEP ADDING THINGS.

>> R. Montgomery: I HAVE A QUESTION.

>> Mayor Stern: YES, COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY?

>> R. Montgomery: JUST DIRECTION FROM CITY MANAGER MOE, WHERE DO WE STAND FROM THE REPAVING, SLURRY SEAL AROUND THE BACKS, THAT'S AN OPTION TO CONSIDER.

ALSO, THE ADDED COST, WE FOUND OUT TODAY, REDIRECTION ON BOTH THOSE ITEMS?

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>> City Manager B. Moe: WE HAVE THE SLURRY SEAL COMING BACK ON THE JANUARY 18th MEETING.

THE DIRECTION COULD BE GIVEN AT THAT POINT, IS THAT RIGHT, ERIK?

>> YES.

>> R. Montgomery: THAT'S GOOD FOR ME.

>> Mayor Stern: ANYONE ELSE HAVE A FUTURE AGENDA ITEM?

OKAY, I WILL MOVE ONTO ITEM O, CITY MANAGER REPORT.

>> City Manager B. Moe: YES, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK GEORGE GABRIEL ON SOME REDISTRICTING EFFECTS ON OUR SUPERVISORIAL.

HE HAS A REPORT ON WHAT THOSE ACTIONS HAVE BEEN.

>> THANK YOU, CITY MANAGER MOE.

I WILL TRY TO KEEP THIS AS BRIEF AS I CAN.

IN ESSENCE, COMMISSIONS AT STATE AND COUNTY HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT HOW DISTRICTS WILL BE REDRAWN TO REFLECT POPULATION, MEASURED EVERY TEN YEARS WITH THE CENSUS.

THESE NEW POLITICAL DISTRICTS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN APPROVED BY STATE AND COUNTY COMMISSIONS.

THE COMMUNITY MAY HAVE NOTICED THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH NOW FALLS UNDER DISTRICT 2, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

FROM JANICE HONG TO HOLLY MITCHELL, EFFECTIVE AS OF LAST WEEK.

ADDITIONALLY THE CONGRESSIONAL AND STATE SENATE ALSO OCCURRED.

I BELIEVE THOSE MAPS WERE VOTED ON YESTERDAY.

I THINK THEY ARE GOING TO BE AFFECTED VERY, VERY SOON.

IN ESSENCE, OUR CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT MAP HAS CHANGED SLIGHTLY IN TERMS OF THE VOTERS, IT CHANGED FROM 33 TO 36.

26 TO 24 WITH THE BORDERS ALSO CHANGED ON THAT.

AND OUR ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 66 REMAINS AS DISTRICT 66 BUT THE MAP MAY BE SLIGHTLY MODIFIED FOR ASSEMBLY MEMBER OCCUPIES.

THESE NEW DISTRICTS AT THE CONGRESSIONAL AND STATE LEVEL ARE TAKING EFFECT WITH THE JUNE 2022 PRIMARIES.

THEREAFTER THEY WILL CONTINUE THE NEXT DECADE.

THE SUPERVISOR DISTRICT WAS EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION.

THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'M HERE TO ANSWER THEM.  
>> Mayor Stern: THANK YOU.  
DOES ANYBODY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?  
COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN?  
>> J. Franklin: YES, THANK YOU.  
CAN WE GET THAT WRITTEN UP SOMEWHERE, SO WE CAN STUDY IT A LITTLE  
BIT?  
>> OF COURSE, OF COURSE.  
>> Mayor Stern: MAYBE SEE THE CHANGED MAPS WOULD BE HELPFUL.  
>> S. Hadley: YEAH, MAPS WOULD BE GREAT.  
>> Mayor Stern: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?  
OKAY, ANY OTHER REPORTS, CITY MANAGER MOE?  
>> City Attorney  
>> City Manager B. Moe: JUST HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR,  
AND STAY SAFE, SEE YOU NEXT YEAR.  
>> Mayor Stern: CITY ATTORNEY, ANYTHING TO REPORT?  
>> City Attorney Q. Barrow: SAME THING.  
HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY.  
I UNDERSTAND SOME OF YOU ARE LEAVING TOWN TOMORROW WHICH IS  
AWESOME.  
BE SAFE OUT THERE AND SEE YOU NEXT YEAR.  
>> Mayor Stern: SEE YOU NEXT YEAR.  
OKAY, AND MOVING ON.  
SO I, TOO, WILL ECHO, THAT I WISH EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY  
SEASON AND A VERY SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON AND A WONDERFUL NEW YEAR.  
AND WITH THAT, I AM GOING TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING TO OUR JANUARY  
11th JOINT PARKS AND RECREATIONS COMMISSIONS MEETING.  
WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 6:00 P.M.  
>> S. Hadley: DO WE NEED TO DO ITEM 17?  
>> Mayor Stern: DID I MISS SOMETHING?  
MENTIONING INFORMATION ITEMS.  
I SKIPPED INFORMATION ITEMS.  
16 AND 17.  
NOW I WILL ADJOURN THE MEETING.  
SO THANK YOU, EVERYONE.  
HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY.  
AND WE WILL SEE YOU ON JANUARY 11th.  
>> S. Napolitano: MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.  
>> R. Montgomery: MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR, STAFF.  
>> SAFE TRAVELS.  
>> GOOD NIGHT.