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From: Eileen Oconnor <eilyo@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 7:53 PM
To: List - City Council
Cc: City Clerk
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Recommendation to issue an official apology

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Dear Council Members,

I am writing to thank Mayor Napolitano for issuing his personal apology for the historical wrongs committed in our community near 100 years ago this past weekend at the unveiling of the Bruce's Beach Plaque.

While Mayor Napolitano's apology for the racially motivated seizures by the city of Manhattan Beach of the properties owned by the Bruces, Prioleaus, Patterson, Sanders, Johnsons, McCaskills, Irvins, and Slaughters families was admirable, the City Council now must also issue an official apology not just because it is the right thing to do, but because it will send the message that the city is committed to becoming a more diverse, equitable and inclusive community. When considering the issue of an apology, please contemplate how failing to recognize our real history will simply feed a white-washed, sanitized version of our past, one that's more myth than history. If you **again** chose not to issue an apology it will only further tarnish our city's legacy, placing us all squarely on the side of the insular, and ignorant. I am hopeful that the council will chose to be a catalyst to combat hate, injustice and intolerance.

Best Regards,
Eileen O'Connor
MB Resident since 1998

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From: Mark Burton <markfburton@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 19, 2023 7:55 AM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bruce's Beach Apology

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Honorable City Council:

As you know, I think this current Council is the best that I have seen in my time as a MB resident. To that end, I think it would be appropriate for the Council to unanimously apologize to the actions of a past Council regarding the taking of the Bruce's Beach properties from the Bruce family and the other black families. I suggest you might want to use the apology Mayor Napolitano offered at Bruce's Beach Plaque ceremony on Saturday. Such action would speak volumes!

Kind regards, Mark

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From: Mark Burton <markburton@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 3:35 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item # 10 - Amending City Manager's Employment Contract

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Honorable City Councilmembers:

Kudos! I fully support the proposed amendment as to the term and compensation! City Manager Bruce Moe is the best City Manager in our City's history and he is worth every penny!

City Manager Bruce Moe also makes outstanding hires such as our Chief of Police and Public Works Director. He is loyal to our residents, our City's employees and City Council. Quite simply, he is a class act!

Finally, I am so impressed with this City Council. In fact, I now think that we should not have term limits. It appears that an experienced City Council is a City Council that will get things done, big things!

Thank you for your public service, Mark

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