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REGULAR MEETING  
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>> Mayor Montgomery: ALL RIGHT.

WE'RE GOING TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION FROM THE EARLIER  
ADJOURNED MEETING.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR CITY ATTORNEY.

>> EARLIER THIS EVENING THE CITY COUNCIL WENT INTO TWO CLOSED  
SESSIONS CONCERNING THE TWO ITEMS IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA.

THE CITY COUNCIL GAVE DIRECTION ON BOTH ITEMS.

THERE IS NO OTHER REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

WITH THAT WE'RE ADJOURNING THAT MEETING.

WE'RE GOING TO ROLL RIGHT INTO THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, AT 6 P.M.

WHAT THAT WE'RE GOING TO PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND I GET TO PICK  
SOMEONE I HAVE NOT PICKED ON.

HOW ABOUT [INDISCERNIBLE]

>> WOULD YOU ALL STAND, PLEASE.

HANDS OVER YOUR HEART.

READY, BEGIN.

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 Montgomery: WELL DONE.

THOSE OF YOU DON'T KNOW WHO DALE IS, A FORMER PRINCIPAL.

WHEN I WAS A ROOKIE IN 2005 HE WAS NICE ENOUGH TO SHOW ME THE

ROPES.

ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Lesser: HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: HERE.

>> MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: HERE.

>> MAYOR MONTGOMERY.

>> Mayor Montgomery: I AM HERE AS WELL.

FOLKS SOMETHING WE STARTED IN MARCH, MAYBE FEBRUARY, WE STARTED

DOING SOMETHING SOMEWHERE I LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ALL VETERANS

CURRENTLY MILITARY PERSONNEL AND CURRENT MILITARY RESERVISTS.

WOULD YOU PLEASE STAND UP AND BE RECOGNIZED.

THANK YOU ALL.

[APPLAUSE]

[ NO AUDIO ]

>> -- OF THE SUSHI CHEF INSTITUTE, WILL DEMONSTRATE MAKING SUSHI

AND RUMOR IS SAMPLES WILL BE PROVIDED.

AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, JOSH.

WELL DONE.

WE APPRECIATE THE LIBRARY.

OUR NEXT SPEAKER.

>> I'M DANIEL GREENBERG, THE NEW STUDENT REP FOR THE PARKS AND REC COMMISSION.

I'M HERE TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH PARKS PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL PARKS AND REC MONTH.

WE DESIGNED THIS TO BE A FRIENDLY, LOW-STAKES WAY FOR MANHATTAN BEACH PARK USER TO SHARE THEIR PHOTOS AND HIGHLIGHT THEIR FAVORITES THINGS ABOUT THE MANHATTAN BEACH PARKS.

SUBMISSIONS ARE FAST, EASY AND FREE OF CHARGE AND ALL PHOTOS ARE ELIGIBLE AS LONG AS THEY ARE TAKEN IN OUR PARKS.

IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU TAKE THE PHOTO WITH A FANCY CAMERA, A TABLET OR A PHONE.

WE'RE ENCOURAGING THOSE TO GET OUT AND CAPTURE PHOTOS.

THE PAGE TO SUBMIT CAN BE FIND AT

[WWW.MANHATTANBEACH.GOV/PHOTOCONTESTS](http://WWW.MANHATTANBEACH.GOV/PHOTOCONTESTS).

CONTESTANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SHARE THEIR PHOTOS ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

WE WELCOME YOUR HELP SPREADING TO YOUR FRIENDS OR NEIGHBORS TO ANYONE WHO ENJOYS OUR PARKS OR ENJOYS TAKING PHOTOS.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WELCOME.

TELL YOUR DAD WE SAID HELLO.

NEXT SPEAKER.

>> HELLO.

HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, MY NAME IS ALAN STEWART, THE CULTURAL ARTS MANAGER.

AND I'M HERE TO INVITE YOU TO CONTINUE TO ATTEND OUR CONCERTS IN THE PARK.

WE KICKED OFF THE SEASON WITH THE SATIN DOLLS OUR SALUTE TO THE TROOPS CONCERT.

THANK YOU, MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN FOR INTRODUCING US.

I LOVE THE SUIT AND UNFORTUNATELY, I COULDN'T BE THERE.

THE PICTURES ARE FANTASTIC.

WE HAD A PICTURE.

MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO SEE IT.

NO WORRIES.

WE HAD A WONDERFUL CROWD.

NEXT WEEK WE WILL HAVE SO RAD WITH WHICH IS A FUN DANCING, POPPING, '90s REVIVAL BAND.

IF YOU'RE ROUGHLY MY AGE YOU MIGHT RECOGNIZE THESE SONGS.

WE'LL HAVE AN '80s BAND AND 'SIX BAND LATER ON.

ON THE SCREEN IN FRONT OF YOU IS THE LINEUP FOR THE REST OF THE EVENING.

THE CONCERTS ARE FROM 5 TO 7 EVERY SUNDAY STARTING LAST SUNDAY AND FOR THE NEXT WELL NOW NINE SUNDAYS FOLLOWING.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

>> GOOD EVENING, MAYOR MONTGOMERY AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

I'M THE PRINCIPLE ENGINEER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND I'M HERE TO ANNOUNCE A COUPLE OF DISPLAY OF THE MOCKUPS OF THE LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORIES.

AS PART OF THE WAYFINDING DIRECTORIES, THE BUSINESS DIRECTORIES WILL BE UPDATED AND NEW BUSINESS DIRECTORIES WILL BE ADDED TO NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH.

THE COMMITTEE IS INVITED TO TWO IN-PERSON EVENTS TO SEE THE MOCKUPS AND GIVE THEIR FEED WACHFOGEL.

COUNCILMEMBER AMY HO WORTH WILL BE ON THE FIRST EVENT ON TUESDAY, JULY 1 AND MAYOR PRO TEM JOE FRANKLIN WILL BE AT THE SECOND EVENT, SATURDAY, JULY 15<sup>th</sup> FROM 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M. NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF HIGH LAND AND ROSECRANS.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT AND GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS IN-PERSON EVENTS OR LEAVE YOUR FEED WALK PLEASE VISIT [WWW.MANHATTANBEACH.GOV/WAYFINDING](http://WWW.MANHATTANBEACH.GOV/WAYFINDING).

THANK YOU.

MAYOR MONTGOMERY: THANK YOU.

WELL DONE.

ANYONE ELSE COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS?

ANYONE ON ZOOM, COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS?

WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO THE PUBLIC COMMENTS.

THESE ARE THREE MINUTES IN LENGTH, THREE MINUTES ON ANY ITEM NOT

ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA.

IF YOU SPEAK ON IT NOW YOU CANNOT SPEAK ON IT WHEN IT COMES UP.  
THE FIRST ONE, THE FACT THAT MOST OF YOU KNOW WE HAD AN  
INCIDENT, TWO ROBBERIES AND THE COMMUNICATION DIDN'T GET THROUGH  
TO THE COUNCIL AND THE CITY MANAGER.

MOST OF YOU KNOW MY COMMENTS ABOUT THAT.

I'M NOT JUST EMBARRASSED AND FRUSTRATED AND NOT HAPPY ABOUT IT.  
BEFORE I SIT DOWN WITH THE PEOPLE INVOLVED, THE POLICE CHIEF,  
CITY MANAGER, ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS, WHAT HAPPENED AND HOW DO WE  
MAKE IT BETTER GOING FORWARD.

WE GET TO LOOK AT OTHER DEPARTMENTS, BEVERLY HILLS, HOW THEY  
HANDLE THE REPORTINGS, THROUGH THE CITY MANAGER AND OUR  
RESIDENTS.

WHEN THE CHIEF SAYS SHE'S ALSO EMBARRASSED ABOUT IT AND IT WON'T  
HAPPEN AGAIN, I TAKE HER WORD FOR IT.

WITH THAT THE CITY MANAGER HAS COMMENTS.

>> YES, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

AND YOU'RE RIGHT.

WE CAN ALWAYS DO BETTER AND TO THAT END WE ARE LOOKING AT OTHER  
DEPARTMENTS' POLICIES.

WE'LL BE COMING BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE COMING WEEKS TO  
SHOW YOU WHAT WE'VE SUGGESTED BY THE WAY OF ADDITIONAL CHANGES.  
AND LETTING OUR RESIDENTS KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON SO THEY CAN BE  
AWARE AS WELL AS THE COUNCIL.

WE'RE GOING TO FINALIZE SOME DRAFT POLICY TO BRING BACK TO YOU,  
I SHOULD SAY, MODIFIED POLICIES BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME IN  
EXISTENCE ALREADY.

WE'LL BRING THOSE BACK AND HAVE A ROBUST DISCUSSION AND SET THE  
EXPECTATION FOR THE COMMUNITY FOR WHAT THEY WILL HEAR ABOUT.

SO WITH THAT I WOULD INVITE THE CHIEF TO COME DOWN IF SHE HAS  
ANY OTHER COMMENTS SHE WOULD LIKE TO ADD.

WE NEED TO DO BETTER AND WE WILL.

IT'S MY GUARANTEE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

CHIEF.

>> AS YOUR CHIEF I TAKE MY RESPONSIBILITY VERY SERIOUSLY FOR  
PUBLIC SAFETY, THAT THE COMMUNITY IS KEPT SAFE.

AND I UNDERSTAND THAT PART OF THAT FEELING OF SAFETY IS FEELING  
INFORMED AND FEELING YOU'RE AN EQUAL PARTNER IN THE INFORMATION  
THAT WE HAVE REGARDING THE CRIMES THAT OCCUR IN OUR COMMUNITY.

IT'S NOT ENOUGH FOR ME TO TELL YOU THAT CRIME IS DOWN.

YOU NEED TO FEEL THAT.

AND IT CAN FEEL THAT THERE'S NOT TRANSPARENCY WHEN YOU DON'T  
KNOW EVERYTHING YOU SHOULD KNOW AND THAT IS ULTIMATELY MAY  
RESPONSIBILITY.

THROUGH MAY CRIME IS DOWN ABOUT 15% IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

SO WHILE WE HAVE HAD A MISSTEP IN OUR COMMUNICATION, THE THINGS  
WE'RE DOING INTERNALLY AND EXTERNALLY WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY



HAVE RESULTED IN A DROP IN CRIME YEAR OVER YEAR TO 22 TO 2023.  
I'LL WORK WITH THE CITY MANAGER TO SEE HOW WE CAN BE MORE UP  
FRONT IN THE INFORMATION WE'RE PUTTING OUT AND BETTER WAY TO  
COMMUNICATE WITH THE COMMUNITY IN A QUICKER MANNER.  
THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, CHEER.

POLICE AND FIRE YOU NOTICED LAST WEEK, A BOMBARDMENT WITH THE  
FIREWORKS GOING ON THAT WE HAVE HERE, NOT IN OUR CITY.

ADJOURNING AREAS.

POLICE AND FIRE CHIEF, YOUR TEAMS HAVE BEEN BUSY RUNNING END TO  
END.

IF YOU HEARD THE AMBULANCE AND FIRE ENGINES RUNNING, THEY'RE  
RUNNING NONSTOP.

THERE WAS AN INCIDENT WHERE THERE WAS A TEENAGER HURT ON THE  
BEACH.

IF ANYTHING COMES OUT ABOUT IT, WE'LL TELL YOU MORE.

IT SHOWS YOU THE DANGER OF FIREWORKS AND WHY FIREWORKS ARE NOT  
LEGAL IN MANHATTAN BEACH AT ALL.

THIS IS SOMEONE EXAMPLE OF WHAT HAPPENS.

WE DON'T DO FIREWORKS SHOW HERE.

IN FACT THERE'S NEVER BEEN A FIREWORKS SHOW IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

WE SEE WHAT HAPPENS IN CITIES THAT ARE OVERRUN THAT HAVE  
FIREWORKS SHOWS.

ANYBODY ELSE IN OUR RESIDENTS DOWNTOWN ESPECIALLY DON'T WANT TO

SEE IT.

THEY'RE OVERWHELMED AS IT IS.

WE OPT FOR FIREWORKS IN DECEMBER.

OUR TRADITION HERE.

WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE WITH THAT.

WE TALKED ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE HAD THE SALUTE TO THE TROOPS

AND THANK YOU TO MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN FOR STEPPING UP HERE.

HE'S THE ONLY ONE OF US WITH AN ACTIVE SON IN THE MILITARY.

BUT THAT'S BEEN 46 YEARS, DIRECTOR LEYMAN, A CONCERT IN THE PARK

SALUTE TO THE TROOPS.

WE DO IT JULY 4<sup>th</sup> TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF OUR VETERANS, ACTING

MILITARY PERSONNEL, ANYBODY THAT HELP US, THAT'S WHY WE DO IT

RIGHT BEFORE JULY 4<sup>th</sup>.

AND THE FACT THAT WE HAD THE SATIN DOLLS, THIS IS OUR WAY OF

SHOWING APPRECIATION FOR OUR VETERANS.

IT DON'T COMPARE TO WHAT OTHER CITIES DO, THIS IS MANHATTAN

BEACH.

WE DO IT DIFFERENTLY HERE.

AND IT'S THE CHIEF IDEA OF INSTEAD OF COFFEE WITH THE COP WE

STARTED CONES.

200 CONES IN LESS THAN TWO HOURS, THAT'S AMAZING.

NO, I DID NOT TAKE ONE BUT I SAW THEM BEING HANDED OUT.

I THINK I'LL STOP THERE.

ANY COMMENTS BEFORE I GO ON?

EVERYBODY GOOD?

>> Councilmember Napolitano: MAY WANT TO ADDRESS THE PIER LIGHTING.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THE PIER LIGHTING WAS SET TO GO OFF AT 12:01 ON TUESDAY MORNING.

THE LIGHTS WENT UP BUT THE SEQUENCE OF RED, WHITE AND BLUE DID NOT GO OFF.

WE FOUND OUT ABOUT THAT PROGRAMMING ISSUE AND PUBLIC RECORD DIRECTOR LEYMAN, YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

WE PROGRAM THINGS LIKE A COFFEE MAKER TO START ON TIME.

>> Councilmember Howorth: WE WERE PLANNING TO DO IT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WE DID PLAN IT.

>> GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL.

WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS.

TO OUR KNOWLEDGE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE PROGRAMMING FOR THE HOLIDAY LIGHTS DID NOT GO OFF AS PLANNED.

IT SEEMS TO BE A TECHNICAL ISSUE BECAUSE STAFF DID VERIFY THE DAY BEFORE.

GOING FORWARD, THE NEXT TIME THE LIGHTS WILL BE CHANGED WILL BE LABOR DAY AND THEY WILL BE RED, WHITE AND BLUE ON THAT HOLIDAY STARTING AT 12:01 THAT MORNING AND STAFF WILL BE MONITORING TO MAKE SURE THAT DOES HAPPEN THIS TIME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: AND MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN, PUSH THE BUTTON AND TEST IT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: AT 12:01.

>> Mayor Montgomery: I KNOW WE ALL LOOK FORWARD TO THAT.  
IF WE HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE OLD DAYS OF MANUAL, WE WILL.  
I'LL OPEN UP PUBLIC COMMENT.

THREE MINUTES OF LENGTH.

PLEASE COME DOWN AND SPEAK ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.

>> GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE MAYOR MONTGOMERY, MAYOR PRO TEM  
FRANKLIN AND HONORABLE COUNCILMEMBERS.

MY NAME IS ENZO AMES AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY HEARTFELT THANKS  
TO THE CITY AND MARK LEYMAN, THE HEAD OF PARKS AND REC AND  
MR. SEAN ROBERTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND  
ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE COMPLETION OF MY EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS, THE  
REVITALIZATION OF SAND DUNE PARK BACK TO ITS NATURAL FORM  
WITHOUT ALL OF THE INVASIVE SPECIES.

WHEN I EMBARKED ON THIS VISION I HAD A VISION OF CREATING A  
SPACE TO BRING JOY TO OUR COMMUNITY.

MY PROJECT INCLUDES REMOVAL OF OVER 1500 INVASIVE NONNATIVE  
SHRUBS WHICH WERE DESTROYING THE NATURAL HABITAT WHICH WU  
REPLACED WITH 600 DROUGHT-TOLERANT CALIFORNIA PLANTS INCLUDING  
BUT NOT LIMITED TO MEXICAN SAGE, CALIFORNIA POPPY AND  
HUMMINGBIRD SAGE.

THESE PLANTS PROVIDED A TRUE, NATURAL SUSTAINABLE HABITAT FOR  
THE BEES AND BIRDS.

THIS WORK TOOK SIX MONTHS TO PLAN AND AFTER ANOTHER THREE MONTHS

TO EXECUTE, IT TOTALED 219 VOLUNTEERS.

LUCKILY THE CITY AND THE COMMUNITY WAS ABLE TO DONATE A TOTAL OF \$5,000 FOR THIS PROJECT AND AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS PROJECT WE ARE ROUGHLY SLIGHTLY OVER \$600 EXTRA SO I WOULD LIKE TO DONATE THIS MONEY TO THE CITY TO THE CONTINUED MAINTENANCE OF THIS PROJECT.

[APPLAUSE]

SO MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL, THANK YOU FOR GIVING IMPORTANCE TO THE ENVIRONMENT, SHOWING YOUR CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY.

YOUR COMMITMENT TO OUR CITY'S GREEN SPACE IS REMARKABLE AND YOU'VE CREATED A SPACE WITH PEOPLE CAN COME TOGETHER AND CONNECT WITH NATURE.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SPOUTS, FOR MAKE MESSAGE MY EAGLE PROJECT A REALITY AND ENRICHING THE LIVES OF EVERYONE WHO ATTENDS THE PARK.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WELL DONE, ENZO.

WE RARELY SEE A REFUND IN GOVERNMENT.

THANK YOU.

THANKS TO YOUR MOM AND TELL YOUR DAD THANK YOU AS WELL.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

HE'S HIDING BEHIND THE CAMERA BUT WE SEE YOU DAD.

WELL DONE.

THANK YOU.

WHAT A GREAT START TO THE SEASON WHEN YOU GET A REFUND.

NEXT SPEAKER.

>> HI, COUNCIL.

MIKE McCALSKI, 32-YEAR RESIDENT.

I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE PUBLIC SAFETY IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT ARMED ROBBERIES IN TOWN.

A COUPLE OF OTHER THINGS I WANT TO WEIGH IN ON.

I'M NOT A FAN OF THE POLICE CRUISER LOGO.

I BELIEVE IT'S ITEM 16 ON THE AGENDA.

IT'S HARD TO SEE IN BAD WEATHER OR BAD LIGHTING.

THE OLDER LOGO WAS LARGER AND MORE VISIBLE.

I'M NOT SURE THE NEW MUTED LOGO HAS THE SAME EFFECT.

THE REVISED NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT.

IT USED TO BE WE GET SPECIFIC LOCATION FOR THE SPECIFIC CRIMES EACH WEEK BUT NOW IT ARRIVES ONCE A MONTH.

SO I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT'S NECESSARILY AN IMPROVEMENT.

I USED TO LIKE THE DASHBOARD FOR THE CRIME STATS.

THAT'S BEEN ELIMINATED AS WELL.

CERTAINLY THE OLD REPORT WAS IN NEED OF AN OVERHAUL AND THE NEW REPORT IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION BUT THE THEME SHOULD BE MORE TIMELY INFORMATION BETTER THAN LESS.

WHICH BRINGS US TO THE CRIMES ITSELF, LIKE THE ARMED STRAND ROBBERIES.

WE'VE HAD CRIMES IN THE PAST.

SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY WE STOPPED GETTING ALERTS EXCEPT WHEN THE POLICE WERE SEARCHING FOR A SUSPECT.

CHIEF JOHNSON INFORMED ME THEY STARTED LOOKING FOR THE SUSPECTS AND THEY HAD A CLEAR IDENTIFICATION, YET HE INFORMED ME THAT THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH ACTUAL INFORMATION FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT.

HER OFFICERS HAD INFORMATION WHAT TO LOOK FOR FEW THE DECISION WAS MADE NOT TO GIVE THAT INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC.

HOW CAN WE HAVE MORE EYEBALLS ON LOOKOUT FOR THESE THUGS A BAD THING.

I BELIEVE ACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT SERE EYES CRIMES SHOULD BE SHARED EFFECTIVELY WITH THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY AND BY NOT DOING SO IN A TIMELY AND PROACTIVE MANNER THAT DOES A DISSERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS.

IN MY VIEW, FOR A SITUATION LIKE THE STANDS ROBBERIES, THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN AN ALERT AFTER THE FIRST ROBBERY SO THERE WOULD BE MORE EYES ON SO THE SECOND COUPLE WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE FORWARDED.

AND ALSO SO THE HOMEOWNERS IN THE VICINITY OF THE FIRST ROBBERY WOULD KEEP AN EYE OUT AND TAKE PRECAUTIONS LIKE LOCKING OR WINDOWS AND DOORS.

THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN A REAL-TIME ANNOUNCEMENT ON SOCIAL MEDIA LIKE TWITTER.

BEVERLY HILLS USES THEIR PROACTIVELY TO PROVIDE REAL-TIME

UPDATES.

AND THEN I WOULD FOLLOW UP WITH A PRESS RELEASE THE NEXT DAY WHICH I WOULD BE HAPPY TO SEE HAPPEN REGARDING THE THIRD ARMED ROBBERY LAST FRIDAY.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU FOR MY TIME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: YOU NEED TO SIGN UP FOR ALERT SOUTH BAY. IT'S NOT AUTOMATIC.

THAT WAY YOU KNOW WHEN THEY COME OUT WHAT'S GOING ON.

OUR NEXT SPEAKER.

COME ON.

DON'T BE SHY.

>> GOOD EVENING, MAYOR MONTGOMERY, MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND FELLOW RESIDENTS.

FIRST OF ALL I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE CITY COUNCIL FOR YOUR SERVICE AND OPENING THIS FORUM TO ADDRESS CRIME IN OUR COMMUNITY.

MY NAME IS JOE COSTA, I'M A 27-YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND A VICTIM OF CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFT LAST YEAR.

I'M HERE TODAY TO DISCUSS CHRONIC THEFTS OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

I UNDERSTAND YOU'LL BE DISCUSSING MORE SERIOUS CRIME LATER TONIGHT BUT ALL CRIME, INCLUDING PROPERTY CRIME, AFFECTS THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND COSTS RESIDENTS TIME AND MONEY.



I BELIEVE WE CAN DO MORE IN MANHATTAN BEACH TO DETER AND POSSIBLY PREVENT THE THEFT OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS.

I WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION AND NOT JUST POINT OUT THE PROBLEM.

I RECENTLY ATTENDED THE CATALYTIC CONVERTER ENGRAVING FREE SERVICE ON ROSECRANS AND I WAS SURPRISED TO SEE THE LACK OF PUBLIC NOTIFICATION ON SITE REGARDING CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFTS.

I TALKED TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE TYPE OF THEFT, THEFT PREVENTION TIPS AND CRIME MITIGATION.

AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF ASSESSING CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFTS IN L.A. COUNTY, CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFT STILL THRIVES IN THE SOUTH BAY.

CURRENT PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE INSUFFICIENT IN DESCRIBING THE FREQUENCY AND THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE CRIME AND THE ACTIONS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER MY ASSISTANCE AS AN AVIATION ANALYST AND A METALLURGIST IN COOPERATION WITH THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT AND CITY COUNCIL IN CREATING MORE ROBUST PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MAKE SUGGESTION TO PREVENT THIS CRIME.

I HAVE ALREADY SUBMITTED MY SUGGESTIONS TO SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT AND I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER THESE PRACTICE SUGGESTIONS TO THE COUNCILMEMBERS TODAY.

IN CONCLUSION, I REQUEST TO WORK WITH A CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

CREATING A MORE ROBUST PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT AND MAKE  
RECOMMENDATION TO MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL REGARDING  
MITIGATION ACTIONS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE WHY DON'T YOU INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO THE CHIEF  
SO YOU CAN HAVE A ONE-ON-ONE CONVERSATION.

MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN HAS HIS HAND RAISED ALREADY ON THE  
ONE-ON-ONE PART.

FOLKS, A LOT OF NEW FACES HERE.

OUR REGULAR RULES OF ORDER HERE, WE TURN OFF OUR PHONES.

AND CONVERSATIONS YOU WANT TO HAVE, PLEASE STEP OUT IN THE  
LOBBY.

WE DON'T DO CLAPPING HERE.

AND PLEASE WAIT UNTIL WE'RE DONE AND YOU CAN GO OUTSIDE AND DO  
ALL OF THE CLAPPING YOU WANT TO DO AND WE'LL GO FROM THERE.

NEXT SPEAKER THEN.

>> Councilmember Howorth: IT IS OKAY TO CLAP FOR ENZO.

>> Mayor Montgomery: HE'S A BOY SCOUT.

ANYONE ELSE?

MARTHA.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COME DOWN.

YOU CAN TALK RIGHT NOW.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT IN LINE.

THERE'S NOBODY BUT YOU.

>> GOOD EVENING, COUNCIL.

>> Mayor Montgomery: EVENING.

>> I JUST WANTED -- THIS IS LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHARLENE HARDING.

I JUST WANT TO ADDRESS THE SNAFU ON THE PIER LIGHTING.

OBVIOUSLY YOU ALL GOT MY E-MAIL JUST THE DAY BEFORE THE

4<sup>th</sup> ASKING JUST TO CONFIRM THAT THE LIGHTS WERE GOING TO BE LIT  
WITH RED, WHITE AND BLUE.

WE'VE SEEN THEM IN RAINBOW AND SIDEWALKS AND WHAT NOT ALL OVER  
TOWN CELEBRATING PEOPLE'S -- THE WAY THAT PEOPLE HAVE SEX.

BUT FOURTH OF JULY IS SOMETHING THAT WE ALL SHOULD BE EXTREMELY  
PROUD OF AND I APOLOGIZE BECAUSE I AM JUST SHAKING HERE.

AND I KNOW THIS IS JUST A LITTLE SNAFU TO SOME OF YOU, SITUATION  
NORMAL ALL FOULED UP.

BUT, YOU KNOW, WHEN I -- I ASKED YOU TO CONFIRM, IT WAS NICE OF  
YOU TO COME BACK TO ME RIGHT AWAY AND SAY YEAH, THAT'S THE PLAN.

COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH AND THE MAYOR CAME BACK TO ME.

BUT WHEN YOU SAY YES, OKAY FROM MIDNIGHT FOR 24 HOURS THIS IS  
THE PLAN.

HOW DO YOU NOT -- HOW DO YOU GO FOR 24 HOURS AND NO ONE EVEN  
NOTICES.

NO ONE CHECKS.

NO ONE GOES DOWN TO TAKE PHOTOS.

I MEAN EVERY OTHER TOWN AROUND HERE, REDONDO, HERMOSA, EL

SEGUNDO ARE HAVING SOME AWESOME FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS AND REPEATEDLY THIS CITY -- EVEN THEIR LITTLE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON INSTAGRAM OR WHAT NOT IS -- IT SAYS, OH, THE CITY, THE CITY OFFICES ARE GOING TO BE CLOSED.

I MEAN, IT'S JUST -- ANYWAY.

I MEAN, THERE'S SO MUCH EDUCATION THAT NEEDS TO BE HAPPENING HERE.

A LOT OF US, YOU KNOW, SOME OF YOU ARE MY AGE AND ABOVE.

YOU GREW UP WITH THAT PATRIOTISM.

THE KIDS THEE DAYS DON'T KNOW IT.

THEY HAVE TO BE TAUGHT.

THEY HAVE TO SEE THE SYMBOLS.

THIS SYMBOL IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.

FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT DON'T KNOW ME, MY HUSBAND AND I SERVED OVER 55 YEARS IN THE MILITARY.

I MEAN EVERY DAY YOU'RE LAYING YOUR LIFE ON THE LINE.

YOU CAN BE DEPLOYED AT ANY MOMENT.

MY SON IS AT HIS THIRD DEPLOYMENT.

YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE WHEN YOU'RE WONDERING IF HE'S COMING HOME.

I GOT MY YOUNGEST LITTLE GIRL -- WELL, GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL -- IN BOOT CAMP.

THIS IS OUR FAMILY BUSINESS.

WE FOUGHT IN PROBABLY EVERY WORLD IN THE UNITED STATES AND WE

ARE EXTREMELY PROUD OF THIS COUNTRY.

BUT I MEAN YOU TAKE EXAMPLE THAT VETERANS SLIDE THAT KIND OF  
CAUGHT ME BY SURPRISE.

THIS IS NOT VETERANS DAY.

THIS IS A WEEK OF EVERY AMERICAN.

I MEAN, IT FELT LIKE YOU WERE JUST THROWING A BONE, OH, WE  
BETTER MAKE SOME AMENDS BECAUSE WE SCREWED UP ON TUESDAY OR WHAT  
IT IS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

>> I HAVE SO MUCH MORE TO SAY BUT I THINK YOU GOT THE GIST.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS VETERANS RECOGNITION SINCE MARCH OF 2023.

>> EVENING.

>> Mayor Montgomery: NEXT SPEAKER.

I'M SORRY.

HI, MY NAME IS HEATHER KIM AND I GUESS I'LL JUST START WITH I'M  
GLAD THAT CITY COUNCIL AND CHIEF HAVE, YOU KNOW, TALKED ABOUT  
WHAT HAPPENED WITH THOSE TWO ARMED ROBBERIES AT THE STRAND.

I'M REALLY -- I WASN'T JUST DISAPPOINTED, I WAS LIVED AND I WAS  
SICK TO MY STOMACH ABOUT IT.

I HAVE FOUR CHILDREN.

MY OLDEST WILL BE 19 IN SEPTEMBER.

AND BECAUSE SHE IS, YOU KNOW, OLD, I ALLOW HER TO BE IN CHARGE  
OF THE LITTLE ONES AND WE FREQUENTLY AS A FAMILY GO TO THE PIER,

GO TO THE BEACH, GO TO THE STRAND.

MY MOM, WHO IS 73 YEARS OLD, COMES HERE QUITE OFTEN AND DOES A LOT OF WALKING ON THE STRAND BY HERSELF.

SO I WAS COMPLETELY UPSET TO HEAR THAT NOT ONLY WERE THE CITIZENS NOT NOTIFIED THE FIRST TIME -- BY THE WAY, MY CHILDREN AND I WERE THERE.

WE WEREN'T THERE WHEN IT HAPPENED.

WE WERE THERE AFTER IT HAPPENED BUT BETWEEN THE TWO INCIDENTS.

HAD I KNOWN WE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN THERE.

HAD I KNOWN, I WOULD HAVE BEEN WITH MY KIDS THE ENTIRE TIME.

NOT THAT WE HAD TO BE THERE.

BUT WE JUST WOULDN'T HAVE GONE THAT NIGHT FOR FEAR BECAUSE THESE SUSPECTS WERE NOT CAUGHT.

SO YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND IN A MOTHER'S POINT OF VIEW THAT I DON'T FEEL SAFE COMING HERE TO THE BEACH ANYMORE WITH MY KIDS, ESPECIALLY IF THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE SURPRISED, IN DON'T HAVE MY GUN ON ME, LET'S JUST CALL IT WHAT IT IS.

THIS IS A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE AND EVERY ONE OF US CITIZENS WHETHER WE HAVE KIDS OR NO NOT HAVE A RIGHT TO BE INFORMED OF THESE TYPES OF INCIDENTS THAT DIRECTLY CORRELATE TO WHETHER OR NOT OUR LIVES COULD BE TAKEN, OUR PROPERTY COULD BE TAKEN.

OF COURSE PROPERTY CAN BE REPLACED BUT THESE PEOPLE'S SENSE OF SECURITY AND SAFETY, THAT WILL NEVER BE REPLACED.

IT DOESN'T HAPPEN TO ME PERSONALLY OR MY CHILDREN BUT I FEEL FOR

THEM AND I DON'T FEEL SAFE ANYMORE EITHER.

HOW ARE YOU GUYS -- YOU KNOW WHAT, THE CHIEF MADE HER APOLOGIES AND STUFF BUT THE BUCK STOPS WITH YOU GUYS ULTIMATELY.

THE COMMUNICATION LOST.

THERE HAVE BEEN OTHER INCIDENTS AND I DON'T CARE IF SHE SAYS CRIME IS DOWN.

CRIME IS DOWN BECAUSE PEOPLE LIKE ME DIDN'T REPORT CRIME FOR A WHILE TOO.

I'M CHANGING MY HABITS NOW.

I'M REPORTING EVERYTHING.

BUT I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THOSE STATISTICS ARE NOT SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF JUST BECAUSE SOMETHING IS DOWN THIS MONTH COMPARED TO LAST YEAR.

IT'S A COMPLETE AND UTTER FAILURE OF CITY COUNCIL AND CHIEF AND EVERYTHING.

AND BY THE WAY, ALL THUGS, THEY SHOULD NEVER BE CITE AND RELEASE.

THEY NEED TO BE HAULED OFF TO JAIL IN HANDCUFFS, FINK PRINTED AND PUT IN A JAIL CELL AND COPS NEED TO LOCAL BY BAG WHILE THEY GET THEIR REPORTS TOGETHER AND LET THEM SUFFER A LITTLE BIT SO THEY KNOW THAT MANHATTAN BEACH IS A PLACE THEY DON'T WANT TO COME HERE.

THEY WILL TELL THEIR THUG FRIEND THEY WILL UNCOMFORTABLE.

THAT'S A MESSAGE THAT NEEDS TO GO OUT NOW.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, HEATHER.

NEXT SPEAKER.

SEEING NONE HERE.

MARTHA, ANYONE ON ZOOM?

ALL RIGHT.

COUNCIL, CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT.

ITEM H, CONSENT CALENDAR.

MOTION EXCEPT FOR THE ITEMS OF 4, 5 AND 9, IS THAT CORRECT?

NEED A MOTION AND A SECOND.

MOTION FROM COUNCILMEMBER LESSER, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER

HOWORTH.

ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ITEM I, ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT  
CALENDAR.

ITEM 4.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

ITEM 4 IS A REQUEST FOR COUNCIL TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING  
A PILOT AGREEMENT WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$67,000 FOR NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE CORONATION SERVICES AND ADJUST  
CORRESPONDING REVENUES.

THE QUESTION GOES TO THE LAST PART, ADJUST CORRESPONDING



REVENUES.

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN IF THEY COLLECT 25,000 A YEAR.

THIS GOES BEYOND THE PILOT PROJECT OF 67,000 A YEAR, THEY'VE GOT BALANCE IN THE PARKING FUND IT'S NOT GOING TO BE SUSTAINABLE IF IT CONTINUES ON AT THAT COST WHICH I ASSUME WILL INCREASE WITH THE COST OF LIVING IN THE FUTURE.

HOW IS THAT GOING TO BE ADDRESSED BEYOND THIS?

I KNOW IT'S A PILOT PROJECT BUT I ALSO KNOW HOW PILOT PROJECTS GO.

>> HONORABLE COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO, GEORGE GABRIEL, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER.

SO THIS RESOLUTION, THIS AGREEMENT COMES BEFORE YOU TONIGHT BY WAY OF DIRECTION FROM THE NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH ADVISORY BID. YOU ARE CERTAINLY CORRECT THAT THERE IS A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT TERMS OF A FISCAL DEFICIT.

THERE IS A BALANCE OF \$423,000 OR SO IN THE NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH RESERVE BALANCE.

THAT BEING SAID, THE NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH ADVISORY BOARD IS AWARE THAT THIS IS NOT SUSTAINABLE.

WE ACTUALLY DID A PRELIMINARY FIVE-YEAR FORECAST OF EXPENDITURE WITH COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES.

WITHIN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS OF SO IF COSTS REMAIN THE SAME WITH C.O.L.A. ADJUSTMENTS AS WELL, THEY WILL PROBABLY EAT ABOUT HALF OF THEIR RESERVE BALANCE WITH THE REVENUES THAT ARE COMING IN AS

IT IS RIGHT NOW.

THEY'RE CERTAINLY AWARE THAT IT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN BE MAINTAINED.

BUT ANOTHER ASPECT OF THE BRINGING ON THE CHAMBER IS THAT THE NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH ADVISORY BOARD WANTS TO MOVE TOWARDS THE SAME MODEL THAT THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL OPERATION OPERATES UNDER.

AND IN DOING SO THEY WANT TO CREATE ADDITIONAL REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES SO IT CAN BE STRUCTURAL AT SOME POINT.

BUT I THINK IN THE PRELIMINARY STAGE RIGHT NOW --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: WHAT DOES THAT MEANS AS ADDITIONAL REV NEWS OPPORTUNITIES EVEN AS A NONPROFIT.

WITH THE NORTH END STROLL AND ANY OTHER EVENTS THEY WANT TO SELF-PROMOTE, THAT'S EATING FURTHER INTO THOSE FUNDS.

>> IT'S BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN OUR PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS. THE NORTH END STROLL, CERTAIN PROJECTS THEY MAY UNDERTAKE AS WELL.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: HOW ARE THEY GOING TO RAISE MONEY IN FUTURE.

>> THAT'S PART OF THE CONTRACT IN ORDER TO EXPLORE OTHER REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES.

>> AND THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO CHANGE THE ASSESSMENTS IF EVERYBODY VOTES TO INCREASE THOSE AND PERHAPS THEY WOULD IF THEY GET RESULTS IN THE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: SO WE'RE CHICKEN AND THE EGG.  
ALL RIGHT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANY COUNCIL QUESTIONS?

OPEN UP PUBLIC COMMENT.

SEEING NONE HERE, HOW ABOUT ON ZOOM, MARTHA.

NONE?

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT.

COUNCIL.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: YEAH, I GUESS JUST TO CONTINUE ON  
SINCE I PULLED IT, I'LL GO WITH THE PILOT PROJECT BECAUSE  
THEY'VE ASKED DO SO KNOWING THAT AT LEAST THEY KNOW IT'S NOT  
SUSTAINABLE AND THEY'RE GOING TO LOOK FOR ADDITIONAL REVENUES.  
AS LONG AS THAT ADDITIONAL REVENUE SOURCE ISN'T NECESSARILY THE  
CITY.

>> AND THIS IS ONLY A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT BY THE WAY.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: UNDERSTOOD.

OKAY.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: SO I'M THE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO  
THE NORTH MANHATTAN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

AND THIS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED FOR PROBABLY SIX MONTHS NOW AND  
THERE WAS AN EXECUTIVE THERE BEFORE WHO ACTUALLY CAME UP WITH  
THE WHOLE CONCEPT OF THE HOLIDAY STROLL.

AND I THINK HE JUST, YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE AN APT DESCRIPTION, IT'S  
THE CHICKEN AND THE EGG.

THEY'RE TRYING TO FIND SOMETHING TO GENERATE MORE BUSINESS FOR THE NORTH MANHATTAN AREA.

THEY'RE VERY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT THEY'VE DONE AND THE STORES THAT THEY GOT AND THE RESTAURANTS THAT THEY HAVE.

I THINK THE VIBRANCY HAS GONE UP IN THAT AREA.

AND I THINK THEY DESERVE KIND OF A CHANCE TO SEE WHAT THEY CAN DO.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: IS THAT A MOTION?

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: SO I WOULD LIKE TO APPROVE THIS --

>> Mayor Montgomery: MAKE THAT MOTION.

YOU GOT TO MAKE THE MOTION TO APPROVE.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

I MAKE THE MOTION TO APPROVE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

WHAT IS THE MOTION YOU WANT TO APPROVE.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PILOT AGREEMENT WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN THE AMOUNT OF 67,300.

>> Mayor Montgomery: AS NOTED.

ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

NEXT ITEM UP IS ITEM NO. 5, COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THANK YOU.

IT WAS A RESIGNATION ON THE LIBRARY COMMISSION SO THERE'S AN

OPEN SEAT.

BEFORE APPROVING THIS I WANTED TO CHECK IN WITH MY COLLEAGUES IN CASE YOU WANTED TO CONSIDER THE ALTERNATIVE WHICH IS TO OPEN THINGS UP.

I'M GOOD WITH GOING WITH THE LIST OF PEOPLE THAT WE HAVE BUT IF ANYBODY WANTS TO OPEN IT UP TO ADVERTISING AN OPENING, I JUST WANTED TO BRING THAT TO COUNCIL IF YOU CHOOSE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING UP THAT IDEA BECAUSE THAT'S CERTAINLY AN OPTION.

I DO -- I'M COMFORTABLE WITH THIS LIST BECAUSE WE DO HAVE SOME GOOD PEOPLE TO SELECT.

YOU KNOW, I REMEMBER WISHING SOME OF THESE PEOPLE, I HAD A SPOT FOR THEM.

I'M GOOD GOING WITH THIS BUT I APPRECIATE THE DISCUSSION TO OPEN IT UP.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANYONE ELSE?

MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: I JUST HAVE A QUESTION.

DO WE KNOW WHO IS STILL INTERESTED ON THE LIST?

>> WE DO.

ONCE COUNCIL APPROVES TONIGHT WE'LL CONTACT THEM TO SEE IF THEY'RE STILL INTERESTED AND IT WILL APPEAR ON THE NEXT AGENDA FOR APPOINTMENT.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: IF NO ONE IS INTERESTED OR ONE PERSON IS INTERESTED, DO WE HAVE A CHANCE TO COME BACK AND REVISIT?

>> WE CAN PUT THAT IN THE STAFF REPORT AND GIVE COUNCIL THE OPTION TO DO OUTREACH, ADVERTISE AND COME BACK.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANYTHING ELSE?

A MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH, A SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN.

VOTING SCREEN, PLEASE.

>> Councilmember Howorth: DO YOU NEED KNOW STATE ANYTHING?

I MOVE TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION AND DIRECT THE CITY CLERK TO RETURN WITH A LIST OF APPLICANTS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: TERRIFIC.

DONE THIS BEFORE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Montgomery: NEXT IS ITEM 9.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THESE ARE FOR SOME TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS AT MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD AND PACIFIC AVENUE.

I WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND WHY WE DID A RIGHT-TURN ONLY AND A THROUGH AND LEFT THERE SINCE EVERYONE WANTS TO TAKE A LEFT AND IT HOLDS EVERYONE UP WHO WANTS TO GO ACROSS.

THIS WILL FIX THAT WITH A NUMBER OF OTHER FIXES BUT IT RAISES QUESTIONS TO ME REGARDING A COUPLE OF THE ITEMS.

ONE IS TO ADD A BIKE LANE WHILE MAINTAINING STREET PARKING FOR MOST LOCATIONS.

YOU KNOW, IT'S HARD TO TELL FROM THE DIAGRAM EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT BEING A COUNCIL THAT IS NOT IN FAVOR OF ROAD DIETS.

I'M CONCERNED WITH WHAT'S HAPPENED ON 15<sup>th</sup> STREET AND WHAT HAPPENED ON MORNINGSIDE WHEN WE MADE TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS. AND I'M NOT IN FAVOR OF ISOLATED BIKE LANES WHERE THERE'S NOTHING FOR MILES AND THERE'S A HALF BLOCK OF A BIKE LANE AND THEN THERE'S NOTHING AGAIN BECAUSE OF PARKING.

I DON'T THINK THAT'S WELL THOUGHT OUT.

IF WE'RE GOING TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO USE A BIKE LANE, WE NEED TO HAVE AN EXTENDED LENGTH OF BIKE LANE TO MAKE THAT WORK.

THE ADDITION OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK AND PEDESTRIAN CONVENIENCE, I KIND OF TAG ALONG WITH OUR OTHER ITEM FURTHER IN THE AGENDA HERE REGARDING VALLEY DRIVE AND THE IDEA THAT WHAT IS BEING ASKED FOR IS NOT JUST CROSSWALKS THERE BUT AT SOME POINT MAKING THOSE RAISED CROSSWALKS WHICH IS BASICALLY A SPEED HUMP AND YOU KNOW, WHY IS THAT BEING PROPOSED THERE AND NOT HERE GIVEN THE DESIGNATION THE STREETS ARE STILL LOCAL COLLECTORS.

WE'RE DOING SOME THINGS IN SOME PLACES AND OTHERS IN OTHERS.

I'M LOOKING FOR SOME CONSISTENCY IN OUR TRAFFIC APPROACH IN THESE CHANGES THAT WE HAVE HERE.

EITHER WE'RE GOING TO DO -- THE SECOND WE GET A REQUEST FOR

RAISED CROSSWALKS IN ONE PLACE, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THEM EVERYWHERE.

ARE WE READY FOR THAT?

DO WE WANT THAT?

WHY IS IT THAT WE DON'T HAVE THOSE HERE THOUGH.

AND AGAIN I WANT TO SEE BEFORE APPROVING THIS WHAT THAT CLASS 2 BIKE LANE MEANS, WHERE IT'S GOING TO GO AND WHY -- BECAUSE I'VE ASKED BEFORE.

LET'S EXPLAIN A BIKE LANE FROM AVIATION DOWN TO PIER.

AND I KNOW THAT'S GOING TO RAISE HACKLES BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO IMPACT PEOPLE'S PARKING.

BUT WE NEED SOME CONSIDERATION AS TO -- WE CAN'T JUST PUT A BIKE LANE IN HALF A BLOCK AND THROUGH PEOPLE TO THE WOLVES OF TRAFFIC.

THOSE ARE MY CONCERNS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: DIRECTOR LEE.

>> HELEN SHI HAS BEEN WORKING EXTENSIVELY ON THIS PROJECT AND WILL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: DO YOU HAVE THE SCREEN SHOT OF THE IMPROVED ROADWAY PROJECTS SO WE CAN ALL SEE WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

I ALSO APPRECIATE NOT SHRINKING DOWN TO NUMBER 2 FONT.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING IT LARGER.

>> GOOD EVENING, MAYOR MONTGOMERY AND THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

MY NAME IS HELEN SHI, SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FROM PUBLIC WORKS.



SO I'M TRYING TO GET ALL OF THE QUESTIONS.

IF I MISS ANYTHING, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

SO THE FIRST YOU ASKED IS FOR THE BIKE LANE CLASS 2 BIKE LANE.

THAT IS IN OUR MOBILITY PLAN.

WE'RE TRYING TO HAVE BIKE LANES ON BOTH SIDES OF MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD ALL ALONG FROM PIER TO AVIATION BOULEVARD, THE CITY BORDER.

SEW NOW I BELIEVE WE DON'T HAVE THE WHOLE STRETCH BUT WE'RE TRYING TO -- THAT'S WHY THIS CONCEPTUAL PLAN HAS THE RANGE FROM ARDMORE UP TO EAST AVENUE.

THIS IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE WHOLE SYSTEMIC BIKE.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: IS THAT GOING TO CHANGE WESTBOUND MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD FROM, YOU SAID, PINE DOWN TO ARDMORE INTO A SINGLE LANE?

>> YES.

THAT'S THE PURPOSE.

THE REASON WHY IS --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I WANT TO BE CLEAR.

YOU'RE TAKING TWO LANES OF TRAFFIC PUTTING THEM DOWN TO ONE LANE.

>> FOR EASTBOUND DIRECTION.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: NO.

I WAS TALKING WESTBOUND.

>> WESTBOUND DIRECTION ORIGINALLY IS TWO LANES.

WE'RE CHANGING IT TO ONE LANE BECAUSE OF MERGING.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

THE PROSECUTION RESTS.

[LAUGHTER]

>> Mayor Montgomery: HELEN, IF YOU WANT TO ADDRESS THE REST OF THE QUESTIONS AND WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU.

>> OKAY.

AND THEN THE QUESTION YOU HAVE IS FOR THE CROSSWALK.

THE ADDED NEW CROSSWALK ON THE WEST LEG IS JUST A REGULAR CROSSWALK AS WE DO CONTINENTAL CROSSWALK FOR ALL OF THE SIGNALIZED --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I READ THAT.

BUT MY QUESTION WAS WHY IF WE'RE PROPOSING A RAISED CROSSWALK AT VALLEY DRIVE WE'RE NOT PROPOSING A RAISED ONE AT PACIFIC.

>> ON PACIFIC AVENUE --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: EITHER OR BOTH.

>> WE USUALLY DON'T DO A RAISE CROSSWALK.

THAT'S NOT A STANDARD OR A STATE REGULATION.

THE STATE DOESN'T ALLOW IT.

UNLESS IT'S LOCAL OR LOW-VOLUME STREETS, THEN THAT COULD BE CONSIDERED.

BUT THE CURRENT STANDARD IS BICYCLISTS OR SCOOTERS, THEY DON'T PREFER ANYTHING RAISED CROSSWALK UNLESS THAT VOLUME IS REALLY LOW AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD DOESN'T HAVE ANY OPPONENT TO IT,

OTHERWISE WE DON'T PURPOSELY PROPOSE RAISED CROSSWALK.

>> Mayor Montgomery: AND YOUR NEXT -- ANY OTHER QUESTIONS YOU HAD PAST THAT ONE?

HOLD ON, JOE.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THIS IS -- I'LL DEFER IN A SECOND. THIS IS A MAJOR THING THAT IS ON CONSENT CALENDAR BEFORE WE JUST ASKED ABOUT BRING BACK ANY ROAD DIETS OR BIKE LANES THAT ARE GOING TO IMPACT TRAFFIC IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

I KNOW WE WANT TOO ENCOURAGE, IT'S A PIECE OF THE MASTER PLAN BUT ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS WE NEED TO REVIEW THIS.

THIS IS GOING TO TAKE AWAY PARKING EAST OR WESTBOUND.

IT'S GOING NARROW FROM TWO LANES TO ONE LANE OF TRAFFIC GOING WESTBOUND.

THAT'S A BIG DEAL AND I THINK WE NEED TO HAVE A REAL HEARING ON THAT AND NOT BURY IT ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER LESSER FIRST.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: IT WASN'T A QUESTION.

>> ON THE STREET PARKING, WE'RE TAKING OUT SEVEN SPACES AND ADDING FOUR.

SO TOTAL LOSS IS THREE PARKING FOR THE WHOLE STRETCH.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: PARK ALL UP AND DOWN -- SO YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE THE BIKE LANE GO AROUND THE PARKING SPACES FROM ARDMORE --

>> THE PARKING ON THE SIDE AND THE BIKE LANE AND THE TRAVEL

LANE.

ON THE CURB IS PARKING AND OUTSIDE THE PARKING IS BIKE LANE AND THEN THE TRAVEL FOR --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: MOST CITIES ARE GOING THE OPPOSITE OF THAT AND PUTTING THE CARS FARTHER INTO THE TRAFFIC AND PROTECTING THE BIKES.

>> THIS IS ACTUALLY MORE OF THE -- JUST TO BE, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH -- THIS IS A MORE COMPATIBLE TO OUR RIGHT-OF-WAY.

IF YOU WANT TO HAVE THE BIKE LANE AND THEN THE PARKING IT WILL CAUSE POTENTIAL SAFETY HAZARD FOR THE PEOPLE PARKING THE CAR, GETTING OUT --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I'M JUST SAYING THAT'S WHAT OTHER COMMUNITIES ARE DOING.

I'M SURE THERE'S SOME STUDY THAT SHOWS ONE IS BETTER THAN OTHER. BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS I'M REALLY ADDRESSING THE LOSS OF A LANE OF DRIVING FROM PINE TO ARDMORE AGAIN BURIED IN A CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM.

>> SORRY TO INTERRUPT.

WE DID AN ANALYSIS.

THE REASON WHY WE WANT TO REDUCE THE LANE IS BECAUSE THE PEAK HOUR OF TRAFFIC ACCOUNTS FOR WESTBOUND DIRECTION OR EASTBOUND DIRECTION, DEMAND IS 500 CARS, WHICH PER THE INDUSTRIAL STANDARD THE STATE STANDARDS, THE CAPACITY OF PER LANE PER HOUR IS 1500.

SO WE'RE ONLY 500, WAY BELOW THE THRESHOLD TO BE CAUSING ANY ALARM.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I DON'T KNOW HOW OFTEN YOU'VE DRIVEN THAT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: THAT'S ON A SATURDAY.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I WASN'T ASKING FOR THAT INFORMATION.

I APPRECIATE IT.

BUT I DON'T NEED THAT INFORMATION.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER LESSER AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH. DON'T GO ANYWHERE.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I MISSED THAT WE WERE GOING TO TAKE OUT A WHOLE LANE OF TRAFFIC AS PART OF THE MOBILITY LANE COMPLIANCE. CAN YOU REPEAT ONE MORE TIME WHAT YOU RESPONDED TO COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

THIS CONFIGURATION WOULD GO HOW FAR EAST IN ALL THE WAY TO SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD?

>> WESTBOUND DIRECTION?

>> Councilmember Lesser: FOR NOW I AM.

>> WESTBOUND DIRECTION WE'RE GOING FROM THE -- A LITTLE BIT EAST OF JOHN STREET TO WEST PACIFIC AVENUE.

IT'S BASICALLY ONE BLOCK.

CURRENTLY BECAUSE THERE'S ONLY ONE LANE WEST OF PACIFIC AVENUE.

>> Councilmember Lesser: COULD THAT NOT MEAN THAT TRAFFIC HEADED WESTBOUND WILL BEGIN TO FUNNEL AND BACK UP HEADING EASTBOUND IN RUSH HOUR TRAFFIC.

>> CURRENTLY YOU HAVE TO MERGE TO ONE LANE.

>> Councilmember Lesser: FURTHER TO THE WEST.

>> AND THE REASON WE WANT TO MAKE IT TO THE EAST IS CURRENT MERGING AREA IS ONLY 60 FEET.

IT CAUSES UNSAFE BEHAVIOR FOR THE DRIVERS WHO'S TRYING TO SPEED, GET AHEAD OF EACH OTHER.

THAT'S WHY NEIGHBORS HEAR THE NOISE OF SPEEDING AND THE VERY LOUD NOISE OF BREAKING.

I MEAN THERE'S NEAR MISSES OR RECORDED ACCIDENTS DUE TO THE REALLY SHORT MERGING AREA.

IT'S ACTUALLY, ACCORDING TO THE STANDARDS, CITY STATE STANDARDS, A MERGING LANE -- MERGING LANES OF 60 FEET IS REALLY NOT UP TO THE STANDARDS.

SO WE NEED TO MAKE IT LONGER.

SO TO MAKE IT LONGER, BECAUSE WEST OF PACIFIC AVENUE WE REALLY DON'T HAVE ANY ROOM.

SO WE HAVE TO DRAG IT TO EAST.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I THINK FOR MY PART IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO BRING THIS BACK ALONG WITH THE MOBILITY PLAN AS AN ATTACHMENT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT THE OVERALL VISION IS, JUST AS COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO IS SUGGESTING.

THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

>> Mayor Montgomery: YOU'RE WELCOME.

MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: THANK YOU.

SO COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO ADDRESSED WESTBOUND -- I JUST WANT TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT EASTBOUND ON THIS BECAUSE I TRAVEL THAT A LOT.

I'VE BEEN TRYING TO IMAGINE THIS FOR THE LAST WEEK OR SO WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE AND HOW THE TRAFFIC WOULD GO.

SO I BELIEVE THIS NEEDS QUITE A BIT FOR STUDY.

EVEN TAKING EASTBOUND TRAFFIC EAST OF ARDMORE THROUGH THE SPECIFIC INTERSECTION, THIS LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO START SQUEEZING THE TRAFFIC INTO ONE LANE STARTING FROM ARDMORE BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE PARKING AND THE BIKE LANE AND THEN IT WOULD ONLY BE ONE LANE.

IS THAT CORRECT, DO YOU THINK?

>> CURRENTLY THE TWO LANES START -- WEST OF ARDMORE IS ONLY ONE LANE.

SO EAST OF ARDMORE IT OPENS UP LIKE A POCKET SO WE HAVE TWO LANES.

SO ACCORDING TO THE TRAFFIC ANALYSIS, THE VOLUME IS REALLY LOW. WE REALLY DON'T NEED TWO LANES FOR THIS STRETCH PER THE VOLUME ANALYSIS.

AND THEN YOU'RE ONLY PICKING UP TRAFFIC FROM DOWNTOWN AREA AND

FROM THE SITE STREET ALONG THIS STRETCH TO GET MORE INTO MORE TRAFFIC.

SO THE POINT YOU RAISE PROBABLY WEST OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD, THEN YOU ACCUMULATE ENOUGH TRAFFIC TO GUARANTEE FOR TWO LANES. OTHERWISE WE DON'T NEED TWO LANES.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: JUST FROM PERSONAL OBSERVATION, IT'S GOING TO BE A LOT.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: COUNCIL WILL DECIDE WHETHER WE NEED TWO LANES OR NOT.

>> PER THE ANALYSIS.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: THERE'S GOING TO BE A LONG LINE OF CARS COMING DOWN THERE.

THERE MIGHT BE AN INCREASE IN ROAD RAGE HERE WITH THAT.

AND I UNDERSTAND THE DEDICATED LEFT TURN LANES AT PACIFIC.

BUT ALSO TOO -- I'M NOT EXPECTING YOU TO ANSWER THIS, I DON'T ANY IF IT'S BEEN STUDIED, BUT HOW MANY CARS ARE TURNING LEFT ON EASTBOUND MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD AT PACIFIC.

>> Councilmember Howorth: TURNING ON TO PACIFIC.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: NOT TO SAY THEY DON'T DESERVE TO TURN LEFT BUT THEY'RE TURNING LEFT NOW AND IT SEEMS TO BE FINE.

BUT YOU'RE -- BECAUSE WITHOUT THE DEDICATED LANE THERE'S TWO LANES THAT CAN KEEP GOING EAST AND IT REALLY DOES BUILD UP.

WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF VISITORS AND A LOT OF LOCAL TRAFFIC AS WELL GOING THAT WAY.



MY OTHER QUESTION WAS --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: RUSH HOURS BACKS UP TO --

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: YEAH, I KNOW.

>> THE BOTTLENECK IS DOWN TO SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THIS IS GOING TO COME BACK.

OKAY.

ACCEPT THAT.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: RIGHT.

YOU SAID THERE WAS SOME OUTREACH TO RESIDENTS?

UNLESS I'M MISSING IT, I DIDN'T SEE THE RESULT OF THAT OUTREACH  
IN THE REPORT.

>> THE COMMUNITY MEETING WAS APRIL 20<sup>th</sup>, THIS YEAR.

WE DID THE ADS IN BEACH REPORTER AND THE CITY WEBSITE AND SOCIAL  
MEDIA AND ALSO I SEND OUT MAILERS WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE  
INTERSECTION.

SO THE ATTENDEES TO THE MEETING IS 5 TO 8 RESIDENTS SHOWED UP.

YOU KNOW, SOMETIMES MORE, SOMETIMES LESS.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

>> AND THEN WE COLLECT THEIR OPINION.

MOST OF THEM ARE REALLY CLOSE TO THIS INTERSECTION AND THEN THIS  
CONCEPTUAL PLAN HERE SHOWN ON THE SCREEN IS AFTER THE  
DISCUSSION.

WE COLLECTED ALL OF THEIR OPINION.

THIS IS THE FINAL OR PRELIMINARY DESIGN BASED ON THEIR COMMENTS.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: HOW MANY COMMENTS WERE RETURNED BY MAIL OR -- I MEAN, DID PEOPLE RETURN BY MAIL OR WERE THEY GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO E-MAIL?

>> NO.

THEY JUST SHOWED UP TO THE PUBLIC MEETING.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: SO FIVE TO EIGHT RESIDENTS?

>> AND THEN WE HAVE PHONE CALLS FROM THE RESIDENTS AND E-MAILS. THERE'S OTHER TWO TO THREE PHONE CALLS AND THE E-MAILS.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

>> AND ALSO BEFORE THIS -- THIS HAS BEEN A LONG TIME ISSUE SO WE HAD IN LAST TWO OR THREE YEARS WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS. CITY ENGINEER HAS BEEN DISCUSSING THE WHOLE ISSUE.

SO IT HAS BEEN VERY THREE -- AT LEAST A THREE YEARS' PLAN TO HAVE THIS PRELIMINARY DESIGN.

WE DIDN'T REALLY COME UP SUDDENLY.

IT IS BASED ON COMMUNITY CONCERN.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: YEAH, MR. MAYOR.

I THINK HAD MORE OF A COMMENT STATION DIRECTION THAN QUESTION, IF YOU NEED TO OPEN THIS UP FOR PUBLIC AND THEN I CAN SPEAK AFTER THAT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, HELEN.

CAN YOU GIVE US AN OVERVIEW FROM THE TRAFFIC QUESTION, TRAFFIC

ENGINEER POINT OF VIEW, KNOWING THAT THREE OF US, FOUR OF US  
HAVE GONE THROUGH THIS ROAD DIET FIASCO BEFORE.

WE WERE ALL THROWING BRICKS AT L.A. UNTIL THEY OPENED IT UP  
AGAIN.

WE'RE NOT FAN OF ROAD DIETS.

BUT TELL US -- WE'VE BEEN IN THAT WAGON TRAIN OF CARS GOING  
WESTBOUND AND COMING OUT EASTBOUND.

WHEN I'M CAR 799, THERE'S ALWAYS TRAFFIC GOING BOTH DIRECTIONS,  
NOT JUST HOMETOWN FAIR FIREWORKS, IT'S JAMMED.

CAN YOU GIVE US YOUR POINT OF VIEW.

NOT THE ENGINEER SIDE BUT THE TRAFFIC POINT OF VIEW.

>> SURE.

THANK YOU, MAYOR MONTGOMERY, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

YES, I DO REMEMBER VERY CLEARLY VISTA DELMAR FIASCO AND WRITING  
LETTERS AS WELL.

I THINK THE CITY COUNCIL DESERVES A FULL REPORT, A REVIEW OF  
WHAT THE PROS AND CONS ARE OF THE DIFFERENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE  
HERE.

HAVING IT ON CONSENT PROBABLY DIDN'T GIVE YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
DO THAT.

THERE'S SOME ADVANTAGES TO MOVING BACK THE MERGE LANE IN THE  
WESTBOUND DIRECTION FOR SAFETY REASONS.

THERE ARE ADVANTAGES TO HAVING A BIKE LANE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS  
THROUGH THIS ONE NARROW CORRIDOR WHERE WE DON'T HAVE A LOT OF

OPPORTUNITIES TO PROVIDES A BIKE LANE ANYWHERE ELSE TO GET TO THE DOWNTOWN.

THROUGH THE OTHER -- THERE ARE ADVANTAGES FOR THIS CONFIGURATION, INCLUDING EXTRA CROSSWALK LOCATIONS, LEFT-TURN POCKETS WHERE WE DIDN'T HAVE THEM BEFORE THAT BACKS UP TRAFFIC AND SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS.

THIS WAS AN OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAD.

WE HAD A PROJECT FOR MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD AND PACIFIC AVENUE AND WE'RE LOOKING TO TRY TO MAKE IT SAFER, MAKE IT FLOW BETTER.

OKAY.

THERE ARE SOME OTHER ALTERNATIVES THAT YOU CAN CONSIDER AND TAKE A LOOK AT.

NOT HAVING BIKE LANES, HAVING TWO LANES IN THE EASTBOUND DIRECTION, LIKE WE HAVE NOW, THERE ARE SOME TRADE-OFFS.

YOU MAY OR MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE A LEFT TURN POCKET OR MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE BIKE LANES AND TWO LANES IN ONE DIRECTION.

RATHER THAN GO THROUGH THE MICROCOSM OF THAT, I THINK YOU PROBABLY WOULD BENEFIT FROM HAVING THIS COME BACK TO YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

SO WE DO HAVE FLEXIBILITY.

WE'RE NOT LOCKED INTO ONE OPTION OR THE OTHER.

WE HAVE MORE THAN ONE OPTION OF WHAT TO DO?

>> YES, OF COURSE YOU DO.

AND TONIGHT TO MAKE SURE TO BRING BACK ANY RECONFIGURATION BACK TO YOU FOR YOUR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

>> Mayor Montgomery: MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: YES.

IS THERE ANY JEOPARDY?

ARE ANY OF THE FUNDS JEOPARDIZED BY NOT PUTTING IN A BIKE LANE THERE?

>> NO, NOT FOR NOT PUTTING IN A BIKE LANE.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: YOU ALL KNOW I RIDE MY BICYCLE A LOT. I'VE NEVER RIDDEN ON MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD.

YOU CAN GO THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD, PACIFIC I DON'T KNOW WHAT STREET IT IS, AMERICAN MARTYRS, IT'S NICE AND CALM, STOP SIGNS, STREETS WITHOUT MANY PARKS CARS, GO DOWN 15<sup>th</sup> AND THAT LEADS YOU RIGHT INTO -- THERE'S STOPLIGHT AND IT LEADS YOU RIGHT INTO DOWNTOWN.

IT SEEMS LIKE THERE ARE SOME ALTERNATIVES.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WHAT'S WHAT WOULD COME BACK TO US.

OPEN UP PUBLIC COMMENT NOW.

>> HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, I'LL JUST STATE THE OBVIOUS HERE A LITTLE BIT.

THIS IS A MASSIVE CHANGE TO MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD AND PACIFIC AND IN REGARDLESS OF WHAT THE TRAFFIC ANALYSIS SAYS, THE NUMBERS AND WHAT WE CAN DO AND CAN'T DO, I AM ENCOURAGED THAT THIS IS NOT BEING PASSED ON CONSENT.

AND THANK YOU TO COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO FOR PULL IT AND HAVING SOME DISCUSSION.

I HAD NO INTENTION OF SPEAKING TO NIGHT.

I DID NOT SEE ANYTHING ABOUT MANHATTAN BEACH GOING DOWN TO ONE LANE.

AND WE MAY HAVE NOTICED THE RESIDENTS WITHIN 500 FEET OR 250.

THIS WILL IMPACT ALL OF US IN MANHATTAN BEACH.

AND IF WE'RE GOING TO CHANGE MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD DOWN TO ONE LANE OR REDUCE LANES IN ANY DIRECTION WESTBOUND OR -- I AGREE WITH MAYOR MONTGOMERY.

I MUST BE CAR 501 EVERY SINGLE TIME.

I AM BACKED UP GOING WESTBOUND AND THEN EASTBOUND IN THE MORNING, GETTING OUT OF TOWN.

ANYWAY, I AM ENCOURAGED BUT HOW THIS GOT ON CONSENT IS BOTHERSOME AND WHATEVER NEEDS TO HAPPEN.

SUCH A MASSIVE CHANGE FOR US, ALL RESIDENTS IN MANHATTAN BEACH. WE REALLY NEED TO LOOK AT THIS IN A LITTLE MORE DETAIL.

AND COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO, THANK YOU FOR PULLING IT.

I HAD NO IDEA THAT THIS IS WHAT WAS IN THERE AND IT CERTAINLY WAS NOT CLEAR IN THE COUNCIL AGENDA THAT WAS POSTED.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

NEXT COMMENT.

>> HELLO, CHARLENE HARDING AGAIN.

I WANTED TO PIGGYBACK ON THAT ONE.

I TRAVERSE MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD TO GET TOWN TO THE PIER ALL OF THE TIME AND IT'S -- WE COULD USE ANOTHER LANE FOR TRAFFIC.

IT SEEMS -- I'M SURE PUBLIC WORKS OR WHATEVER OFFICE IT IS JUST LOOK FOR DIFFERENT OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE LIFE BETTER.

GOSH, I WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE BIKE LANES BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE RIGHT PLACE FOR IT.

I ALSO LOVE TO RIDE MY BIKE UP TO PV, DOWN TO THE PIER, BUT I'LL TAKE THOSE SIDE ROADS.

I DON'T FEEL NERVOUS.

IT'S ACTUALLY REALLY NICE TO SEE THE DIFFERENT HOMES, TAKE A DIFFERENT ROUTE EVERY TIME.

I WOULD BE A LITTLE NERVOUS RIDING DOWN MANHATTAN BEACH EVEN ON A DESIGNATED PATH.

AND IT ALREADY IS WHERE YOU -- THE TWO LANES GO DOWN TO ONE, YOU KNOW.

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO CUT OFF GOING WEST.

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO CUT RIGHT TO GO TOWARD AMERICAN MARTYRS.

EVERYONE IS LOOKING TO GET TO THE BEACH AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.

I DON'T THINK THIS IS THE BEST IDEA.

THIS IS JUST TOTALLY THINKING OUT OF THE BOX BUT IF WE'RE TRYING TO MAYBE AVOID SOME OF THE BIG ROADS, LIKE SEPULVEDA, MANHATTAN BEACH, MAYBE WE DO A BRIDGE FOR BIKES TO GET OVER AND AVOID THE BUSY ROADS ALL TOGETHER.

I THINK IT SEEMS UNSIGHTLY TO ME TO HAVE ANYTHING LIKE THAT BUT  
MAYBE WE NEED TO THINK OF TOTALLY DIFFERENT IDEAS TOO JUST TO  
KEEP THE BIKES OFF OF THE MAJOR THOROUGHFARES.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

FLEXIBILITY.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO IS HOPING FOR BRIDGES.

[LAUGHTER]

NEXT SPEAKER.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THAT'S HURTFUL.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANYONE ELSE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

HOW ABOUT ON ZOOM, MARTHA.

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT.

I'M SORRY.

THE LINE -- COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH, YOU'RE NEXT AND THEN

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Howorth: THANK YOU.

A CONCEPTUAL PLAN PROBABLY SHOULDN'T GO ON CONSENT AND I  
APPRECIATE AS EVERYONE HERE SAID, COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO FOR  
PULLING IT.

I MEAN WOW.

AND IT'S ALSO A GREAT EXAMPLE OF HOW SOMETHING COULD BE  
TECHNICALLY CORRECT AND NOT BASED IN OUR DAILY LIVES.

AND I APPRECIATE THE SPEAKER WHO SAID STAFF WANTS TO MAKE OUR



LIVES BETTER.

YOU KNOW, SO NO ONE IS DOUBTING THAT.

NO ONE IS DOUBTING THAT THERE'S SOME TECHNICAL SPECS AND THEY  
PENCIL OUT.

HOWEVER, IF YOU'VE EVER DRIVEN KIDS TO MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE  
MORNING HEADED FROM, YOU KNOW, I GUESS THE WEST PART, YOU KNOW,  
WEST OF VALLEY AND YOU'RE COMING UP THAT HILL HEADED EAST, DO  
NOT TAKE AWAY ANY LANES.

AND COMING DOWN ON THE WEEKEND, COMING DOWN ANYTIME.

SO I THINK WE'RE ALL FEELING LIKE THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME OPTIONS  
HERE AND SOME WORK.

I WANT TO SAY, THOUGH, THAT I DO REALLY APPRECIATE THE LEFT, YOU  
KNOW, REALIGNING THE LANE SO THAT YOU HAVE A DEDICATED LEFT TURN  
LANE AND THEN THE STRAIGHT AND RIGHT TURN LANE, YOU KNOW, GOING  
WEST ON MANHATTAN BEACH BOULEVARD.

I ALSO DRIVE THAT NEARLY EVERY DAY AND IT'S NEVER MADE ANY  
SENSE.

WE'RE NOT GOING TO PICK AND CHOOSE RIGHT NOW AND SAY YES, NO,  
MAYBE SO.

LET'S BRING IT BACK.

WHICH I THINK WE'RE ALL SAYING.

ALSO TO COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO'S POINT, I THINK -- I DON'T  
THINK YOU WERE ASKING FOR A RAISED CROSSWALK IN THIS PROJECT BUT  
YOU WERE SAYING, YOU KNOW, WE'VE GOT THIS PROJECT COMING ON

LATER ON TONIGHT WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM THE NEIGHBORS, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TRAFFIC CALMING AND TALKING ABOUT A RAISED CROSSWALK AND YOU WERE SAYING SHOULD WE BE THOUGHTFUL AND CONSISTENT IN OUR APPROACH.

ALTHOUGH THE ENGINEER MENTIONED WHY POTENTIALLY YOU WOULDN'T DO IT.

I APPRECIATE THAT QUESTION.

I THINK WE'RE NOT GOING TO PUT THIS -- MOVE THIS GUARD AND ASK THEM TO COME BACK.

AND I ASK STAFF TO REALLY THINK ABOUT GOING BEYOND THE NOTIFICATION.

BECAUSE IT IS NOT AFFECTING ONLY THE RESIDENTS WHO LIVE RIGHT THERE.

IT AFFECTS EVERYBODY IN THIS COMMUNITY -- THAT'S LIKE THE HEART OF, YOU KNOW, GETTING EAST TO WEST, NORTH TO SOUTH, ONE OF THEM.

AND YOU KNOW, A LOT OF US BROUGHT UP THE ROAD DIET AT THE BEGINNING.

THERE'S NOTHING THAT AFFECTS RESIDENTS MORE AND MAKES THEM ANGRIER OR HAPPIER THAN A QUALITY OF TRAFFIC.

THIS IS SOMETHING THAT AFFECTS US.

THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I LOOK FORWARD TO VIEWING THE POLICY

WHEN IT COMES BACK AND I SECOND COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH'S IDEA THAT SOMEHOW WE ADVERTISE THIS.

I WANT TO THANK COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO FOR RAISING THIS ISSUE AS A CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM.

LIKE EVERY MEMBER UP HERE ON THIS DAIS, I PRIDE MYSELF ON VIEWING THE STAFF REPORTS, IT'S NOT CLEAR FROM THE STAFF REPORT THE MAGNITUDE OF THE CHANGE AFFECTED BY THIS PROPOSAL.

I LOOK FORWARD TO A MORE IN-DEPTH CONVERSATION AND THAT'S IT FOR ME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: I'LL WRAP IT UP HERE.

NOTHING ERIC OR HELEN OR DIRECTOR LEE SHOULD BE OFF TO HAVE CREATIVITY LIST HERE.

I WOULD BE UP TO DO WHATEVER TO LIMIT THE FRUSTRATION GOING WEST FROM PCH OR COMING UP EAST TOWARD PCH.

ANYTHING YOU DO THAT WOULD SHORTEN OR SQUEEZE TRAFFIC INTO ONE LANE TO ME WOULD AFFECT ALL THE WAY TO VALLEY ARDMORE GOING OUT OF DOWNTOWN AND COMING INTO IT FROM THE EAST SIDE GOING WEST FROM PCH.

SO I'M LOATHE TO SQUEEZE A LANE OR GIVE AWAY A LANE.

I'M OPEN TO THE BICYCLE PORTION IF WE CAN DO IT WITHOUT TAKING AWAY A LANE OF TRAFFIC.

WHEN WE CONSIDER TAKING AWAY A LANE ANYWHERE IN THE CITY, WE NEED TO LET THE WHOLE CITY KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.

I WOULD SUGGEST WE CAN'T THE ITEM AND BRING THIS BACK ON A DATE

WHEN WE CAN SEE THE TRAFFIC ENGINEER'S POINTS, THE PROS AND  
CONS.

BIKE LANE, GOO, NO GOOD.

IF WE GET A BIKE LANE, WHAT DO WE GET FROM IT.

AND THE TRAFFIC LANES, DO THIS, THE PROTECTED LEFT TURN, WHAT DO  
WE GIVE UP?

WE'LL STAY STATUS QUO UNTIL YOU BRING IT BACK.

WE'LL CONTINUE THIS ITEM UNTIL PUBLIC WORKS ARE READY TO BRING  
IT BACK.

>> Councilmember Howorth: NOT ON CONSENT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: NOT ON CONSENT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: IF THAT'S NOT CLEAR.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANY QUESTIONS FOR US?

>> YOUR DIRECTION IS VERY CLEAR.

I APOLOGIZE FOR HOW THIS WENT OFF.

LOUD AND CLEAR.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: FOR THE RECORD, MAYOR PRO TEM  
FRANKLIN ALSO SAID HE WAS GOING TO PULL THIS FROM THE AGENDA.

>> Mayor Montgomery: GOOD JOB.

YOU GET HALF OF THE ASSIST.

ITEM K, ITEM 13.

CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PARKING AND PUBLIC  
IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION FOR TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ON VALLEY  
DRIVE BETWEEN 27<sup>th</sup> STREET AND SEPULVEDA ALSO KNOWN AS PACIFIC

HIGHWAY.

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION FOR STOP SIGNS IN ALL DIRECTIONS AT THE INTERSECTION OF VALLEY DRIVE AND PINE AVENUE AND ADOPTION OF DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO -- I'LL STOP THERE.

WHO IS GOING TO DO IT?

TALYN?

TRAFFIC ENGINEER IS NOT GOING TO GO ANYWHERE.

>> HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, TALYN MIRZAKHANIAN HERE.

I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO PRESENT THIS ITEM.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WELCOME BACK, ERIK.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, DIRECTOR TALYN.

MY NAME IS ERIK.

I'LL KEEP THE PRESENTATION FAIRLY SHORT.

WE DON'T HAVE A POWER POINT PRESENTATION FOR YOU.

BUT BY MEANS OF BACKGROUND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THIS ITEM CAME TO US THROUGH A PUBLIC ITEM AT THE CITY COUNCIL BACK IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR.

THE RESIDENTS OF THE VALLEY DRIVE AREA BETWEEN 27<sup>th</sup> STREET AND OAK HAD ASKED FOR SOME TYPE OF TRAFFIC CALMING AFTER A COUPLE OF SIGNIFICANT ACCIDENTS.

THE CITY -- THEY ALSO PROVIDED A FOLLOW-UP PETITION FOR THAT.

APRIL 27<sup>th</sup> WE BROUGHT THE ITEM TO THE PPIC, THE PARKING AND

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION WITH A LIST OF POSSIBLE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AND BACKGROUND FOR THAT.

THE COMMISSION REVIEWED ALL OF THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS AT THAT TIME AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THOSE.

IN ADDITION TO THOSE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, THEY ALSO RECOMMENDED PAINTING A SOLID DOUBLE YELLOW CENTER LANE ON VALLEY DRIVE BETWEEN THOSE TWO STREETS, 27<sup>th</sup> AND OAK, AS WELL AS RECOMMENDED A STOP SIGN AT THE CORNER OF VALLEY DRIVE AND PINE. WE ARE BRINGING THE PPIC REPORT TO YOU TONIGHT ALONG WITH A RECOMMENDATION FOR ALL OF THE STAFF -- ALL OF THE PPIC'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

SO THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION IS THE PPIC'S RECOMMENDATION AND THAT INCLUDES INSTALLATION OF THE DOUBLE YELLOW LINE, A SPEED ACTIVATED FLASHING SIGN ON VALLEY DRIVE WEST OF OAK FACING THE TRAFFIC COMING IN FROM SEPULVEDA, A TEMPORARY LANDSCAPED CENTER MEDIAN AND EASTBOUND CURB POCKET AND CURB EXTENSION.

IT'S NARROWING THE LANES ON VALLEY DRIVE BETWEEN SO PULL VA THE BOULEVARD AND OAK IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE THE INBOUND TRAFFIC IN THAT DIRECTION.

IT PROVIDES EXTRA VISIBILITY FOR THE DRIVEWAY FOR THE SENIOR APARTMENTS TO GET THEM A LITTLE FARTHER OUT SO THEY CAN SEE AROUND THE CORNER.

SO THAT WOULD BE A RECOMMENDATION FOR THAT.

PROVIDING FOR A LEFT TURN POCKET FROM VALLEY DRIVE ON TO OAK

DRIVE WHICH REDUCES THE BACKUP THAT WOULD HAPPEN BACK THERE.  
ALSO TO INSTALL TWO PAINTED CROSSWALKS AT VALLEY DRIVE AND  
WALNUT AND VALLEY DRIVE AND ELM AVENUE.  
THAT WOULD BE PAINTED AT FIRST AND THEN RECONSTRUCTED,  
CONSIDERED FOR A CAPITAL PROJECT TO INSTALL RAISED CROSSWALKS  
ALONG WITH THE CORNER TO RESTRICT THE CROSSWALK LANE AS WELL AS  
TO REDUCE THE TRAFFIC SPEEDS ON VALLEY DRIVE.  
IT HAS A TRAFFIC CALMING EFFECT FOR THAT.  
AND TO THE POINT FROM COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO, THIS IS A LOCAL  
ROAD WITH A POSTED SPEED LIMIT OF 30 MILES AN HOUR.  
THOSE ARE MORE APPROPRIATE FOR OUR RAISED CROSSWALK IN THE  
FUTURE.  
RAISED CROSSWALK AS OUR COUNCILMEMBER DUALY NOTED IS KIND OF  
LIKE A SPEED HUMP.  
IT GIVES YOU A VERTICAL DIFFERENCE OF 4 INCHES OR SO AND  
DISCOURAGES SPEEDING.  
IT ALSO -- THE OTHER RECOMMENDATION WOULD ALSO BE TO ADOPT  
RESOLUTION NO. 2391 APPROVING STOP SIGNS IN ALL DIRECTIONS AT  
THE INTERSECTION OF VALLEY DRIVE AND PINE AVENUE.  
THE LAST ITEM ON THE RECOMMENDATION LIST IS TO ADOPT A  
DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO 15301C OF THE CALIFORNIA  
CEQA.  
THAT CONCLUDES THE REPORT.  
THE ITEMS AND THE LOCATIONS ARE DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN FOR YOU.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THOSE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, ERIK.

STAND BY.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO YOU'RE UP FIRST AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS.

CONCERN OVER THE EVERYONE MENTATION, FUTURE EVERYONE MENTATION OF ANY RAISED CROSSWALKS, ESPECIALLY THIS STRETCH RATHER THAN BEING A MORE STRICTLY RESIDENTIAL STREET SINCE YOU'RE TURNING OFF OF SEPULVEDA.

YOU'RE GOING TO GET A LOT OF PEOPLE TAKING THIS ROAD THAT DON'T LIVE IN MANHATTAN BEACH THAT ARE VISITORS.

I CAN ONLY IMAGINE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE LOTS OF SIGNAGE AND ROAD PAINT TELLING PEOPLE THERE'S A RAISED CURB HERE.

I'VE EXPERIENCED THIS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES AND IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY SLOW THEM DOWN.

IT SENDS THEM FLYING SOMETIMES, ESPECIALLY COMING FROM THAT STRETCH.

I GUESS IF THE IDEA IS FOR STAFFER CROSSWALKS WHERE WE'VE PUT IN OTHER PLACES THE FLASHING CROSSWALKS WHERE PEOPLE HAVE TO STOP AND THE LIGHTS ARE FLASHING IN THE GROUND AS WELL AS UP ABOVE, WHY AREN'T THOSE BEING CONSIDERED HERE?

WE PUT THEM ON HIGH LAND, WE PUT THEM ON MORNINGSIDE, WE PUT THEM ON DIFFERENT AREAS OF TOWN.



>> CORRECT.

SO TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION, COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO, AS WE DO IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC CALMING PROGRAM WE TAKE ANYTIME A STEP-WISE APPROACH.

WE WOULD BE RECOMMENDING PUTTING IN PAINTED CROSSWALKS AT THE TIME, STUDYING, TAKING A LOOK AT IT, SEE HOW IT WORKS.

IF WE'RE NOT GETTING A SPEED REDUCTION, WE COULD TAKE IT TO THE NEXT STEP.

THEN IT WOULD COME BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL SO YOU COULD CONSIDER THE RAISED CROSSWALKS OR FLASHING BEACONS.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: FLASHING CROSSWALKS.

OKAY.

ALL RIGHT.

THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I WANTED TO FOLLOW UP ON YOUR RESPONSE TO COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO WITH REGARD TO TIMING.

IS THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE ALL OF THESE CALMING MEASURES AT ONCE OR IS THERE A SUGGESTION WITH INPUT BY COUNCIL ON PRIORITIZATION TO DO CERTAIN OF THESE CALM MEASURES IMMEDIATELY, AND THEN STAGGER SOME OF THE OTHERS AFTER AN INITIAL REVIEW.

IT'S UNCLEAR FROM THE STAFF REPORT.

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

THE INTENT IS FOR THE INITIAL TRAFFIC MEASURE TO GO IN AT ALL ONCE.

THESE A PAINTED MEDIAN AT SEPULVEDA.

POINTED CROSSWALKS AT ELM AND WALNUT.

A STOP SIGN AT PINE AND THEN TO COME BACK -- OH, AND THE FLASHING SPEED SIGN.

WHEN YOU EXCEED THE SPEED LIMIT, THE SIGN HAS A WHITE -- LITTLE LIGHTS AROUND THE OUTSIDE TO WARN YOU EAR GOING OVER THE SPEED LIMIT.

IT'S NOT A SPEED AWARENESS SIGN THAT'S FARTHER DOWN THE STREET. WE WANT THERE TO BE CONSISTENT SPEED REDUCTION THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE STRETCH.

IT'S A LONG STRETCH AND PEOPLE WOULD SPEED UP -- IF YOU ONLY HAD CROSSWALKS AT ELM AND WALNUT, THEY MAY SPEED UP BETWEEN THAT SECTION.

THAT'S THE INTENT.

>> Councilmember Lesser: WE'VE HAD E-MAIL DISCUSSION.

THIS IS A STREET I'VE BEEN FAMILIAR WITH AND I THINK IT GOES BACK 19 YEARS AGO WHEN I WAS SERVING ON THE PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION.

WE WERE FORCED TO INCREASE THE SPEED LIMIT TO 30 AND I WELCOME YOU DESCRIBING WHY WE WERE FORCED TO INCREASE IT AND DESCRIBE WHY WE MIGHT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE IT AND IT INVOLVES THE SENIOR VILLAS ON THE STREET.

I'LL LET YOU DESCRIBE THAT.

I'M WONDERING WHY THAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THE STAFF REPORT AND WHY THAT SHOULD NOT BE ONE OF THE DIRECTIONS HERE TO REDUCE THAT SPEED LIMIT.

>> SURE.

THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION.

AND FOR EVERYONE'S BENEFIT, AB43 WAS A LEGISLATION PASSED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ALLOW FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE MILE AN HOUR SPEED REDUCTION IN SPECIAL AREAS, SUCH AS SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTERS, SCHOOL AREAS AND HIGH PEDESTRIAN AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS A SAFETY ZONE.

THAT LEGISLATION WAS PASSED LAST YEAR AND DOESN'T GO INTO EFFECT UNTIL JULY 1<sup>st</sup> OF 2024.

ONE YEAR FROM NOW.

THE STATE HASN'T COME UP WITH THE PROCESS AND PROCEDURES TO ALLOW FOR THAT MONITORING AND THAT CHECKLIST AT THIS POINT.

THE SENIOR APARTMENTS WOULD QUALIFY, WE THINK, FOR THAT DESIGNATION AND THEN WE COULD REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MILES AN HOUR.

>> Councilmember Lesser: FINAL QUESTION IS, YOU AND I ALSO EXCHANGE THERE HAD IS A SPEED MONITORING SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF PINE WHICH IS NOT WORKING AND YOU WERE GOING TO FOLLOW UP WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS.

I WAS THERE AND I COULDN'T BELIEVE HOW FAST MANY VEHICLES WERE

GOING.

>> THAT'S VERY TRUE.

IF YOU WATCH THE FEEDBACK SIGN WHEN IT IS WORKING YOU CAN SEE HOW FAST THEY'RE GOING AND YOU CAN SEE THAT THEY SOMETIMES SLOW DOWN AS THEY SEE THE SIGN.

THE BATTERIES IN THE SIGN HAVE BASICALLY DIED.

THEY CAN'T BE RECHARGED AGAIN.

THEY'RE FIVE YEARS OLD AND THAT'S HOW OLD THE SIGN IS.

WE'VE ASKED PUBLIC WORKS GO IN AND REPLACE THE BATTERIES ON THE SIGNS.

IT WAS WORKING A WEEK BEFORE THAT BECAUSE I GO PAST THAT STRETCH OF ROAD ABOUT ONCE A DAY.

>> Councilmember Lesser: THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: THANK YOU.

I WALK THE AREA ACTUALLY TWO TIMES EVEN BEFORE THIS CAME TO THE COUNCIL TODAY BECAUSE THE RESIDENTS, YOU KNOW, REACHED OUT TO US AND WANTED SOME HELP HERE.

SO YOU'VE GOT A RECOMMENDATION HERE FOR A DEDICATED LEFT-HAND TURN LANE FROM EASTBOUND NORTH ARDMORE TO NORTH BOUND SEPULVEDA. BUT YOU HAVE TWO LANES THERE NOW, RIGHT.

SO THERE'S TWO LANES NOW THAT ARE ABUTTING SEPULVEDA, EASTBOUND FROM NORTH VALLEY.

SO I WAS JUST WONDERING WHAT IS THE CORRECTION GOING TO BE IN.

>> THE LEFT TURN POCKET WOULD BE JUST WEST OF OAK AVENUE.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: RIGHT.

>> AND SO THAT'S NOT AN AREA AFFECTED BY THE SEPULVEDA INTERSECTION.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

>> WE'RE BASICALLY TAKING THAT WIDE INTERSECTION THAT HAS LOTS OF PAVEMENT AND REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF PAVEMENT.

BY DOING THAT WE HAVE A LEFT-TURN POCKET WE CAN PROVIDE IN THE MIDDLE.

THERE WAS AN ACCIDENT LAST YEAR WHERE A LEFT-TURNING DRIVER HIT AND COLLIDED WITH AN EASTBOUND DRIVER COMING OFF OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AT A HIGH SPEED.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

AND I WAS JUST A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED THAT THERE WASN'T MORE DETAIL ON THE PROPOSED -- DID YOU CALL IT A TEMPORARY LANDSCAPE MEDIAN?

>> WE BROUGHT THIS CONCEPT TO --

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: I SEE ALL OF THE PAVEMENT THERE AND I DON'T KNOW HOW IT'S GOING TO --

>> SURE.

THE ROADWAY IS ABOUT 40 FEET WIDE BETWEEN THE HOTEL AND THE APARTMENTS.

WE WOULD STILL HAVE ONE LANE IN EACH DIRECTION AS WE DO NOW.

THE CENTER PORTION OF THE STREET WOULD BE IN A TEMPORARY BASIS  
IT WOULD BE PAINTED GREEN WITH EDGE LINES ON EITHER SIDE USING  
UP SOME OF THAT PAVEMENT WIDTH.

IT ALSO MAKES PEOPLE COMING OFF OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD SLOW DOWN  
MUCH MORE AND SLOW DOWN BEFORE THEY GET TO OAK AVENUE.

WITHIN THAT CENTER MEDIAN AREA ONCE YOU GET BEYOND THE  
INTERSECTION AT OAK, THAT'S WHERE THE LEFT-TURN POCKET WOULD BE  
IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION.

SO IT WOULD BE PAINTED AND STRIPED TO BEGIN WITH IT.

IF IT WORKS OUT THEN WE WOULD COME BACK WITH A PERMANENT  
SOLUTION FOR RAISED CURBS AND SOME TYPE OF LANDSCAPE IN THE  
MIDDLE OF THE ROAD.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

>> THIS ITEM WAS BROUGHT TO THE CITY COUNCIL ABOUT FOUR YEARS  
AGO, 2018.

AND AT THAT TIME THE CITY COUNCIL HAD DEFERRED THE ISSUE TO SOME  
OTHER FUTURE DATE.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: OKAY.

AND GOING BACK TO THE RECOMMENDED STOP SIGN AT PINE AND VALLEY  
THERE, SOME RESIDENTS WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE NOISE.

YOU KNOW, PEOPLE STOPPING AND THEN STARTING UP AGAIN AND THINGS  
LIKE THAT.

I MEAN IS THERE ANY DATA AROUND THAT?

IS IT JUST ANECDOTAL?

>> SURE.

WHEN YOU INSTALL A STOP SIGN THERE'S ALWAYS PROS AND CONS.

THE PROS ARE THAT IT COULD MAKE TURNING MOVEMENTS AT THE INTERSECTION SAFER.

ON THE CON SIDE IT COULD, AS YOU SAY, INCREASE THE NOISE LEVEL AT THE INTERSECTION ITSELF FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE DECELERATING OR ACCELERATING WHERE YOU WOULDN'T HAVE THAT NOW.

THERE'S AN INCREASED POTENTIAL FOR REAR-END COLLISIONS BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE TO STOP THERE NOW.

AND THERE IS THE POTENTIAL FOR DRIVERS, ONCE THEY COME TO THE STOP SIGN AT VALLEY DRIVE, THEY MIGHT CHOOSE TO GO UP PINE AVENUE TO ROSECRANS.

SO THERE'S PROS AND CONS TO IT AND WE LAID THAT OUT IN THE PPIC REPORT.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: SO SOUTHBOUND PINE WHEN YOU'RE COMING UP TO VALLEY, IF YOU'RE GOING TO GO WESTBOUND ON VALLEY, ASSUME YOU HAVE, LIKE THE WAY IT IS NOW, YOU CREEP OUT THERE AND THERE ARE PARKED CARS ON VALLEY, CORRECT, THAT OBSCURE --

>> YES.

THERE'S ALSO A RED CURB AT THE INTERSECTION TO TRY TO KEEP THE CARS --

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: TO KEEP THEM BACK A LITTLE BIT.

OKAY.

GREAT.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: JUST BASICALLY A QUICK QUESTION ABOUT THE CURB-OUT AT WALNUT AND VALLEY AND I THINK ELM AT VALLEY. WOULD THOSE TAKE OUT PARKING IN --

>> NO.

THEY'RE IN EXISTING RED CURB ZONES.

>> Councilmember Howorth: FABULOUS.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THANK YOU.

ONE THING I FORGOT TO BRING UP.

IT GOES TO ANOTHER SAFETY ISSUE.

WAS THERE CONSIDERATION TO ELIMINATE.

GROSSLY SUBSTANDARD BIKE LANE THERE WHICH WAS ONE OF THE REASONS WHY THIS -- I THINK WIT AS YOUNG CHILD SIDESWIPE RIDING A BIKE THERE.

I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TWO-FEET WIDE.

BUT WE HAVE CARS OBVIOUSLY ON ONE SIDE.

AGAIN, MESSING WITH PEOPLE'S PARKING, TRAFFIC OR THEIR HOMES, THEY GO OUT OF THEIR MINDS WHICH I UNDERSTAND.

I WOULD TOO.

BUT IT'S NOT REALLY -- I THINK WE HAVE A SIGN THERE MAYBE SAYING BIKE LANE.



BUT IT'S NOT -- IT DOESN'T MEET THE STANDARDS FOR A BIKE LANE.

>> YOU ARE CORRECT.

IT'S A BIKE ROUTE, NOT A BIKE LANE.

IT'S AN EDGE LINE TO NARROW DOWN THE TRAFFIC.

YOU DON'T SEE A 14<sup>th</sup>-FOOT LINE YOU SEE A 11-FOOT LINE.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: YOU'RE GIVING A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY.

>> WE DO NOT DO THIS IN THIS SEGMENT BECAUSE IT'S ACTUALLY PREDATED ALL OF OUR [INDISCERNIBLE].

I STILL THINK THAT THE EDGE LINE HELPS REDUCE TRAFFIC SPEEDS. THEY WOULD BE HIGHER IF WE DIDN'T HAVE AN EDGE LINE ON THE STREET AND NARROWED DOWN THE LANES.

THE OTHER ALTERNATIVE IS TO PUT THE EDGE LINE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STREET ALONG THE PARKED CAR SIDE AND THEN MOVE THE LANES OVER TOWARDS THE PARKWAY.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: ONE OBSERVATION.

I KNOW IT'S NOT NECESSARILY A QUESTION.

AT SOME POINT WE REALLY NEED TO EVALUATE -- IT GOES TO THE IDEA OF AN EAST-WEST BIKE LANE TO GET FROM AVIATION TO THE PIER BUT ALSO NORTH-SOUTH, ESPECIALLY ALONG THE PARKWAY WHERE, YOU KNOW -- I KNOW THERE WILL BE SCREAMING, BUT INCORPORATING SOME OF THE PATHWAY.

BUT THAT'S FOR ANOTHER DAY.

THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

>> I WOULD LOVE TO BRING BACK A VETERANS PARKWAY BIKE LANE BIKE PROJECT FOR YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ONE MORE QUESTION AND THEN PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: I NOTICED ALSO, AND I HADN'T NOTICED IT BEFORE, WHEN YOU COME OFF OF SEPULVEDA AND HEAD WEST ON VALLEY RIGHT THERE AT THE HOTEL IT'S DOWNHILL AND I REMEMBER THINKING THAT'S KIND OF LIKE ACCELERATING.

ARE THERE ANY TRAFFIC MITIGATION WAYS OF STRIPING OR THINGS LIKE THAT THAT TELL PEOPLE HEY, IT'S A HILL, SLOW DOWN.

>> RIGHT.

THAT'S THE INTENT OF THE MEDIAN THAT WE'RE PROPOSING.

THAT WOULD HAVE THAT TYPE OF NARROWING EFFECT TO COUNTER ACT THAT DOWNGRADE.

PEOPLE ARE COMING OFF OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD FROM A SEGMENT THAT'S 45 MILES AN HOUR OR MORE.

AND THAT'S HARD TO GET THEM TO CHANGE THEIR BEHAVIOR.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: SO IS THERE ANY KIND OF MESSAGING WE CAN PUT ON THE PAVEMENT, GO SLOW, HILL.

HILL, SLOW DOWN.

>> THAT'S WHAT THE FLASHING SPEED SIGN IS INTENDED TO DO.

YOU CAN SEE THAT COMING AROUND THE CORNER FROM SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD.

YOU'LL SEE YOUR SPEED AS YOU'RE GOING DOWN THAT STRETCH.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER IF I'VE SEEN

IT ELSEWHERE, MAYBE NOT IN THE CITY, BUT SOMETHING THAT, HEY,  
YOU'RE ON A GRADE GOING DOWN TO SLOW DOWN.

>> RIGHT.

WE'LL TRY TO DESIGN SOMETHING INTO OUR TEMPORARY MEASURE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS AND I WAITED TO SEE IF  
ANYBODY ASKED IT.

I KNOW ONE HALF OF THE ISSUE, WHATEVER YOU CAN DESIGN THE BEST  
PROGRAM IN THE WORLD BUT PART OF IT IS ENFORCEMENT TOO WITH  
POLICE.

NEW STOP SIGNS, PEOPLE ARE NOT GOING TO PAY ATTENTION OFF OF THE  
BAT.

WON'T EVEN SEE THEM FOR A WHILE.

HAVE TO GET USED TO SEEING THE STOP SIGN.

YOUR PROGRAM IS TO PUT THINGS IN PLACE, WATCH IT FOR SIX MONTHS  
AND IF IT DOESN'T SLOW DOWN THAT YOU FEEL THAT MILEAGE IS  
SLOWING DOWN ENOUGH AND THEN YOU COME BACK WITH THE SECOND  
MEASURE.

IS THAT YOU OR THE STATE SAYING YOU CAN'T MAKE ALL OF THESE  
CORRECTION AT ONE TIME.

THERE MUST BE A GAP IN TIME THAT SAYS WE NEED A RAISED  
CROSSWALK, YES NEED MORE BEACONS TWO FEET AWAY.

WHICH ONE IS IT?

>> THE STATE DOESN'T MANDATE THE ORDER AND MANNER IN WHICH YOU  
CAN PUT IN TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES.

IT'S SMART PRACTICE TO PUT IN ONLY THE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC CALMING THAT OS.

OVERKILL, YOU WOULD PUT IN MORE THINGS THAN ARE NECESSARY.

AND IT ACTUALLY WOULD IMPEDE TRAFFIC IN THAT SENSE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: SO THE CAUTIOUS ROUTE, WAITING TO SEE IF THE FIRST ROUND MAKES EVERYTHING BETTER, DROP THE SPEED LIMIT DOWN, EVEN.

THE NEW RULE COMES INTO EFFECT NEXT YEAR, FIVE MILE AN HOUR LESS, WE'RE GOING TO SEE IF IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN SIX MONTHS AND IF IT DOESN'T WE'RE GOING TO GO TO ROUND TWO AND ADD IN THE KITCHEN SINK AND EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO DO.

>> CORRECT.

IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE RESIDENTS 0 OWNERS OF THESE MEASURES. IF WE PUT IN THINGS THEY DON'T WANT IT'S NOT GOING TO BE RECEIVED WELL.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THAT'S TRUE.

WE'RE RIGHT BACK TO ADDING MORE THINGS TO IT.

THE ONLY THING WE LOSE IS TIME.

AND THE POSSIBILITIES EXIST THAT WE HERE NOT DOING ENOUGH SOON ENOUGH THAT'S A DIFFERENT QUESTION.

OPENING UP PUBLIC COMMENT.

IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE COME DOWN.

TWO MINUTES.

OUR TIMER WILL BE A SLIGHT BELL.

IF YOU HEAR IT GO DING, YOU'LL KNOW.

>> THANK YOU, HONORABLE MAYOR MONTGOMERY AND COUNCILMEMBERS.

MY NAME IS CHAD, I LIVE ON 3011 NORTH VALLEY DRIVE.

OUR NUMBER ONE OBJECTIVE IS TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SAFER.

ON 4/27/23 THE PICC HEARD FROM MANY RESIDENTS ABOUT THE DANGEROUS CONDITIONS THAT CONTINUE TO ADDRESS ON NORTH VALLEY DRIVE.

OUR PETITION HAD OVER 125 SIGNATURES AND NOW IT'S 225 RESIDENTS SIGNATURES AND GROWING.

ALL OF WHOM ARE IN FAVOR OF MAKING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SAFER.

DURING THIS IN-PERSON MEETING THE PPIC HEARD PERSONAL STATEMENTS AS WELL AS 21 PAGES OF WRITTEN STATEMENTS FROM CONCERNED CITIZENS DETAILING AUTO ACCIDENTS, COLLISIONS, ROLLOVER ACCIDENTS, PARKED CARS THAT WERE TOTALED, PETS KILLED, CONSTANT SPEEDING VEHICLES EVEN UP TO 50 AND 60 MILES AN HOUR THAT WE SEE AND OUR YOUNG NEIGHBOR CYCLIST GETTING HIT BY A CAR.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CAME TO NORTH VALLEY TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE CONDITIONS.

IT MEANS A LOT.

YOU WERE ABLE TO SEE THE SPEEDS.

YOU WERE ABLE TO SEE THE KIDS HUGGING THE BIKE LANE PLAYING CHICKEN WITH ONGOING TRAFFIC.

YOU WERE ABLE TO SEE FAMILIES CROSSING, TRYING TO GET TO VETERANS PARKWAY IN THEIR STROLLERS.

YOU GOT TO WITNESS REAL-LIFE STUFF THAT HAPPENS DAILY.

YOU DIDN'T SEE A COUPLE OF CARS PASSING BECAUSE OF THE DOUBLE  
DOTTED LINES.

BUT THAT GOES ON ON A DAILY BASIS.

I URGE YOU TO PASS THE RESOLUTION.

THIS IS A HALF-MILE STRETCH IN A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD  
WITHOUT A STOP SIGN.

AND I'LL REPEAT THAT.

THIS IS THE LONGEST HALF-MILE STRETCH IN MANHATTAN BEACH  
RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD WITHOUT A STOP SIGN.

THE CITY IS ALSO RECENTLY INSTALLED TWO STOP SIGNS AT DIFFERENT  
INTERSECTIONS THAT DON'T HAVE THE TRAFFIC VOLUMES OR SPEED  
CONDITIONS OR ACCIDENT RESILIENCE HISTORY THAT NORTH RALLY AND  
PINE HAVE.

THANK YOU FOR YOU TIME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: APPRECIATE IT.

NEXT SPEAKER.

>> MY NAME IS AMBER.

I HAVE MY EXHIBIT UP THERE.

A 2-YEAR-OLD LITTLE BOY.

I LIVE ON WALNUT.

AND I AM -- I MOVED TO MANHATTAN BEACH IN AUGUST OF 2021, TWO  
DAYS BEFORE I GAVE BIRTH TONY SON.

I'M A FULL-TIME LAW PARTNER AND I HAVE VERY LITTLE TIME BUT I'M

HERE ON A WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPENDING IT WITH YOU GUYS BECAUSE THIS IS IMPORTANT.

MY SON GOES TO -- WE CALL IT THE GREEN BELT.

HE GOES TO THE GREEN BELT MULTIPLE TIMES A WEEK WITH HIS NANNY.

HE MEETS UP WITH HIS FRIENDS THERE.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE SOMETHING TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN CROSSING OVER.

THERE IS NO PROTECTED CROSSWALK.

I'M SURE YOU KNOW THAT.

NO PROTECTED CROSSWALK ALL THE WAY FROM SEPULVEDA DOWN TO PACIFIC.

AND THEN UP TO 27<sup>th</sup> STREET THERE'S A STOP SIGN.

IT IS NOT A PROTECTED CROSSWALK.

SIT A STOP SIGN.

THERE IS NO CROSSHATCHING.

SO ONE OF THE GREAT BENEFITS TO WHERE WE LIVE AND TO THIS AREA IS THAT GREEN BELT.

IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO HAVE THAT SAFE WALKING AND JOGGING PATH.

IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO HAVE SAFE ACCESS TO IT.

MY SON IS 2 NOW.

HE'S BEING PROTECTED BY NANNIES, MY ME, BY MY HUSBAND.

HE IS GOING TO BE OLDER AND THERE ARE OLDER CHILDREN WHO DON'T KNOW HOW CARS WORK, HOW SPEEDS GO, HOW TIMING WORKS AND IT'S

IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE THE CROSSWALKS THERE TO PROTECT THEM.  
AS A CONCERNED MEMBER OF THIS COMMUNITY, AS A MOTHER TO THE  
LITTLE BOY UP THERE MAKING ALL OF THE NOISE, I'M URGING YOU TO  
TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY AND INSTALL SOME TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN  
THIS AREA.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, AMBER.

NEXT SPEAKER.

>> ALAN, I'M HERE TONIGHT REPRESENTING PPIC.

A CHILD WAS SIDESWIPE ON A BICYCLE.

WE GET THAT.

ONE OF THE REASONS WE'VE PUT THESE IN STAGES IS ALSO BECAUSE WE  
CAN GET SOME THINGS DONE RIGHT AWAY.

WE CAN GET IN THE STOP SIGN, WE CAN GET IN THE CROSSHATCHING  
RIGHT AWAY.

RAISED CURBS, THAT'S A CAPITAL BUDGET THING.

WE NOW HOW LONG IT TAKES FOR CAPITAL BUDGET THINGS TO GET DOWN.

PEOPLE ARE DEMANDING THAT WE GET THESE SPEED DAMPENING EFFORTS  
STARTED TO SHOW SOME IMPROVEMENT IN SPEED DAMPENING IN THE AREA.

YOU GET IT AND UNDERSTAND THE VISION OF WHEN YOU TAKE THE TOWN  
WESTBOUND ON SEPULVEDA, PEOPLE ARE DOING 45 MILES AN HOUR AND  
THEY'RE WHIPPING AROUND THE CURVE BECAUSE WITH THE BEAUTIFUL  
BRIDGE WE'VE PUT IN IT'S A LITTLE WIDER TO MAKE THAT TURN.

SO THE SAFETY FACTOR IS ACTUALLY DECREASED ON VALLEY.



WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR WHEN WE SAY THIS VISION IS WHAT ARE THE THINGS WE CAN PUT IN A DRIVER'S VISION TO MAKE THEM REALIZE IT'S NOT A FREEWAY.

WHAT CAN WE DO TO CALM THEM DOWN.

WE DELIBERATELY DID TWO RESOLUTIONS.

ONE WAS WITHIN WHAT THE COMMISSION COULD APPROVE UNDER ITS OWN AUTHORITY.

THE OTHER RESOLUTION IS WHAT GOES TO YOU FOLKS FOR YOUR APPROVAL.

WE HOPE YOU'LL FOLLOW THROUGH ON THEM.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, ALAN.

OUR NEXT SPEAKER.

>> FIRST OFF, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE CITY AND YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE.

EVERYBODY LOVES VALLEY AND ARDMORE AND THE GREEN BELT.

IN MANY WAYS, IT'S THE GATEWAY TO OUR CITY.

BUT THERE HAVE BEEN ISSUES FOR A LONG TIME.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR TRAFFIC ENGINEER FOR THE WORK HE'S DONE TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY.

BUT THE ISSUES DO PERSIST.

AND I WOULD JUST MAKE A COUPLE OF POINTS.

FIRST, I'D SAY THAT PERSONALLY I'VE HAD MY CAR TOTALED PARKED ON

VALLEY.

I'VE HAD MY REARVIEW MIRROR DESTROYED AND I'M ALSO AN AVID CYCLIST AND WALKER.

I NEVER USE THE BIKE ROUTE.

I JUST DRIVE ALONG BY THE CARS LIKE MOST BIKES.

AND I ENCOURAGE COUNCIL AND OUR PLANNING DIRECTOR TO CONSIDER SOME HOLISTIC SOLUTIONS TO BICYCLE SAFETY AND CIRCULATION AROUND THE CITY.

BUT JUST TO CLOSE, I DON'T THINK THE TRAFFIC CALMING IS JUST SOMETHING THAT'S TRENDY IN COMMUNITY PLANNING.

MY WORK TAKES ME ALL OVER LOS ANGELES AND IT'S AMAZING, COMMUNITY AFTER COMMUNITY YOU SEE THESE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN PLACE, SUCCESSFULLY IN PLACE WITH NO BACKLASH.

AND PERSONALLY THE REASON WHY THE TRAFFIC CALMING ARE MORE COMMON THESE DAYS IS BECAUSE WE HAVE A FRENZIED STARBUCKS GENERATION WHERE PEOPLE ARE RUSHED FOR TIME, SPEEDING AND GETTING INTO ROAD RAGE, IT'S JUST A REACTION TO OUR SOCIETY.

WE SEE THIS ON NORTH VALLEY DRIVE TOO.

IT'S IMPORTANT AND NEEDED.

I APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR WORK ON OUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S BEHALF AND FOR THE CITY.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

WHO IS OUR CLOSER?

THERE HE IS.

>> I LIKE THAT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: TWO MORE.

YOU WANT TO MOVE OVER HERE SO WE CAN SEE YOU.

>> IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH YOU.

MY NAME IS DALE.

MY WIFE AND I HAVE LIVED AT 3007 NORTH VALLEY DRIVE FOR GOING ON  
HALF CENTURY NOW.

SO PROBABLY BEFORE MANY OF YOU WERE BORN.

BUT IN ANY EVENT, AS LONG-TIME RESIDENTS OF MANHATTAN BEACH AND  
THE VALLEY DRIVE, THERE'S ALWAYS BEEN TRAFFIC ON VALLEY DRIVE.  
AND WE MOVED IN WITH OUR GUYS WIDE OPEN AS DID OTHER PEOPLE.

I THINK OUR PURPOSE HERE IS NOT TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC  
BECAUSE IT'S A MAJOR CORRIDOR, AN ARTERY INTO THE HEART OF THE  
RESIDENTIAL PART OF MANHATTAN BEACH.

BUT THE ISSUE REALLY IS THE SPEED.

AND WE'VE NOTICED OVER THE COURSE OF THE DECADES THAT MY WIFE  
AND I HAVE LIVED HERE THAT THE SPEED OF THE CARS COMING DOWN  
VALLEY DRIVE HAVE INCREASED.

I GUESS NEW TECHNOLOGY AND MORE TORQUE, ALL OF THE THINGS THAT  
CARS HAVE ADDED TO THAT.

DURING THE TIME WHEN MY CHILDREN GREW UP THERE IT WAS ALWAYS A  
CONCERN BUT I THINK IT'S MORE SO NOW, SEEING THE NUMBER OF  
THINGS -- I'M NOT GOING TO REITERATE WHAT THE PREVIOUS PEOPLE

HAVE SAID.

THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF THINGS THAT HAVE OCCURRED RIGHT THERE ON VALLEY DRIVE.

AND AT THIS TIME WE REALLY NEED TO TAKE IT A LITTLE FURTHER THAN WE HAVE IN THE PAST AND I THINK THE CRITICAL ELEMENTS FROM MY POINT OF VIEW ARE NUMBER ONE, THE STOP SIGN.

WITH THAT LONG HOWEVER STRETCH OF HIGHWAY IT IS THERE, PEOPLE GET UP A GOOD BIT OF SPEED COMING DOWN VALLEY DRIVE.

AND SO WE NEED TO DO THAT.

AND I THINK ALSO THERE NEEDS TO BE SIGNAGE FOR PEOPLE COMING ONTO VALLEY DRIVE SAYING THIS IS A 30-MILE-PER-HOUR SPEED LIMIT HERE.

AND THE TIME IS DUE FOR THESE THINGS TO HAPPEN.

AND WE HAVE A LOT -- I'M HAPPY TO SEE A LOT OF NEW FAMILIES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN AND I THINK THAT MAKES IT MORE CRITICAL THAT THESE THINGS BE ADDRESSED.

AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO US AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN DO THESE THINGS FOR THE GOOD OF THE FAMILIES AND THE CHILDREN OF MANHATTAN BEACH.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, DALE.

A REAL CLOSER.

>> I'M ERIN FELDMAN, A 49-YEAR RESIDENT OF MANHATTAN BEACH.

SO HE'S GOT ME BEAT A LITTLE BIT.

I'M ON ELM AND 35<sup>th</sup>.

SO I WANT TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ALL OF NEIGHBORS THAT IT'S NOT JUST THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE ON VALLEY THAT ARE AFFECTED.

IT'S ALL OF US THAT CROSS ON THE TRACKS, WHICH THAT IS WHAT I CALL IT.

AND WE WANT TO BE SAFE.

I HAVE A DOG.

I HAVE A RUNNING HUSBAND.

I HAVE KIDS THAT ARE OLDER THAN AMBER'S 2-YEAR-OLD.

YOU KNOW, IT'S JUST FOR THE GOOD OF OUR COMMUNITY AND NOT JUST EVERYBODY THAT LIVES ON VALLEY.

BUT I DO APPRECIATE CHAD'S EFFORTS AND ALL OF THE NEIGHBORS AND YOU GUYS FOR HOPEFULLY APPROVING THIS PROJECT.

THANKS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU, ERIN.

ANYBODY ELSE HERE WANT TO TALK ABOUT THIS ITEM?

LET'S GO TO ZOOM, MARTHA.

>> HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>> Mayor Montgomery: YOU'RE GOOD TO GO.

>> MY NAME IS KATHERINE KRAMER I LIVE ON VALLEY.

I'VE LIVED HERE SINCE 2009.

BUT IN MARCH OF 2011 I WATCHED A BOY GET HIT BY A CAR OUTSIDE OF MY HOUSE ON A BIKE.

AND JUST -- I MEAN I'M OBVIOUSLY STILL HORRIFIED BY IT BUT IT AFFECTED THE LITTLE BOY AND THE DRIVER.

I THINK WE HAD A TOTAL OF TEN MOTHERS CRYING OUTSIDE OF MY HOUSE  
BUT THAT HAPPENED IN MARCH OF 2012 AND IT'S ONLY GOTTEN WORSE.

SO I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU TAKING THE TIME WITH CHAD AND  
WATCHING THE SPEED ON OUR STREETS.

IT'S ONLY GOTTEN WORSE.

ANYTHING YOU CAN DO IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

OUR NEXT SPEAKER, MARTHA.

SEEING NONE, WE'LL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT.

COUNCIL.

COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH, YOU'RE UP FIRST.

>> Councilmember Howorth: ERIN, PLEASE TELL RANDY AFTER TEN  
YEARS, HE'S MY DOCTOR I'VE BEEN HEARING ABOUT THIS AT THE VISITS  
FOR A LONG TIME.

BY THE WAY, IT KIND OF FIRST CAME TO US IN MARCH OF 2015 AND WE  
WERE ON THE COUNCIL THEN AND AT THAT TIME THERE WAS A DIFFERENT  
SCENARIO PROPOSED AND WE SENT IT BACK AND I THINK WHAT WE HAVE  
HERE IS A REALLY ROBUST YET COMMON SENSE APPROACH.

YOU KNOW, I DO THINK IT'S REALLY INTERESTING PSYCHOLOGICALLY  
SPEAKING WHAT A DIFFERENCE THE PAINTED MEDIAN.

THE STOP SIGN -- YES TO ALL OF IT FOR ME.

BUT THEN IF PEOPLE DON'T SLOW DOWN, THEN WE CAN LOOK FOR WORDING  
TO PAINT THERE, SLOW DOWN, HILL.

I DRIVE THIS EVERY SINGLE DAY AND I DRIVE THE CORRECT SPEED

LIMIT, USUALLY SLOWER.

AND IT REALLY IS SOMETHING THE FACT THAT THERE ISN'T A STOP SIGN  
THERE ALREADY IS REALLY SOMETHING.

THIS DOES A LOT FOR THE SAFETY AND THE WALKABILITY AND ALSO  
ACCESSIBILITY.

WE HAVE IN HERE FUTURE PLANS FOR ACCESSIBLE SIDEWALK ONTO  
VETERANS PARKWAY.

THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME TOO.

AND THOSE CROSSWALKS.

WE KNOW THAT OUR TRAFFIC ENGINEER WON'T PROPOSE THINGS TO THE  
COMMISSION AND TO US LIKELY BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, YOU DON'T  
WANT -- AT THE TIME WE DON'T WANT TRAFFIC TO BACK UP ON TO  
SEPULVEDA, RIGHT?

WE DIDN'T WANT TO PUT A STOP SIGN MORE CLOSER TO THAT AREA.

NOW WE'VE GOT THE PAINTED MEDIAN, PERHAPS A RAISED MEDIAN, IT  
STARTS TO SLOW YOU DOWN BUT DOES IT BACK THINGS UP.

IT'S A REALLY -- THIS IS ALL REALLY NECESSARY.

I'LL BE VOTING YES ON ALL OF THESE ITEMS.

I THINK IT'S REALLY NECESSARY.

THANK YOU.

I'LL BE MAKING A MOTION.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: WHAT'S THE MOTION?

>> Councilmember Howorth: THE MOTION IS TO APPROVE THE PARKING AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMISSION FOR STOP SIGNS IN ALL DIRECTION AS WELL AS ADOPT RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-0091.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: WOULD THAT BE BRINGING FACT-FINDING THE FUTURE ITEMS IF IT COSTS MORE.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I THINK WE WAIT SIX MONTHS.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: YOUR MOTION DOES NOT INCLUDE APPROVAL OF THOSE.

>> Councilmember Howorth: IT DOES NOT.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THAT'S ALL I WANT TO KNOW.

YES, I SUPPORT THESE FIRST ROUND OF CHANGES.

I'M GOING TO RESERVE ON THE SECOND ROUND UNTIL WE GET MORE DATA BACK.

THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS -- I WANT TO SAY FOR ALL OF THE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES ESPECIALLY AROUND THE CITY OF L.A., THEIR WHOLE VISION ZERO EVERYTHING IS DONE THE OPPOSITE.

THERE ARE MORE INJURIES AND DEATHS NOW BECAUSE OF THE THINGS THEY'VE DONE BECAUSE PEOPLE TRY TO GET AROUND THESE THINGS.

I HATE ALSO TO GIVE ANYONE A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY JUST LIKE THAT BIKE PATH IS, JUST LIKE STOP SIGNS AND CROSSWALKS CAN BE, THEY THINK THERE'S A FORCE FIELD AROUND THEM AND THERE'S NOT.

WE'VE GOT AN INTERSECTION WELL FLOWN AT THIS POINT FROM NEXT DOOR, IT'S 6<sup>th</sup> AN VALLEY WHERE THERE'S CLEARLY A STOP SIGN THERE BUT PEOPLE JUST GO RIGHT THROUGH IT WHEN THEY FEEL LIKE IT.



AND SO ENFORCEMENT IS VERY MUCH A PART OF THIS, NOT JUST TRAFFIC CALMING BUT ENFORCEMENT.

WE HAVE TO DO A BETTER JOB OF THAT.

AND I THINK WE CAN, TO MAYOR PRO TEM FRANKLIN'S POINT, THERE ARE SIGNS -- THERE'S A SIGN WITH THE SPEED -- THE FLASHING SPEED LIGHT BUT ALSO REDUCE SPEED 30 MILES AN HOUR.

FROM VISTA DEL MAR ONTO HIGHLAND.

AND THAT TO ME IS EFFECTIVE.

I DRIVE THIS EVERY DAY.

I'VE GOT FAMILY THAT LIVES UP THAT BLOCK OF PINE RIGHT THERE.

I KNOW WHAT THE SITUATION IS HERE.

I SUPPORT THESE MEASURES AND WILL VOTE FOR THOSE.

I DON'T KNOW WHY WE HAVEN'T DONE IT BEFORE THAT.

2015, I WASN'T HERE.

DON'T BLAME ME.

JUST KIDDING.

IT'S A JOKE.

IT'S A JOKE.

[LAUGHTER]

>> Councilmember Howorth: WERE YOU HERE BEFORE THAT.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: NOBODY CAME TO US.

NOW IS THE TIME TO FIX THINGS.

I'M FINE WITH THE STOP SIGN.

BUT AGAIN, I DON'T WANT ANYONE TO GET THAT FALSE SENSE OF

SECURITY.

MAKE EYE CONTACT WITH THOSE DRIVERS WHEN YOU CROSS THAT STREET,  
CROSSWALK OR NOT.

SOME TRAFFIC ENGINEERS WILL TELL YOU IT'S SAFER TO NOT HAVE A  
CROSSWALK BECAUSE IT FORCES YOU TO BE EXTRA SAFE YOURSELF AND  
THEM AS WELL.

PLEASE BE SAFE REGARDLESS OF WHAT WE PUT OUT THERE.

AND THEN AS WE CHECK THE DATA AND SEE HOW THINGS COME  
BACK -- AGAIN, THERE'S A BOOMERANG EFFECT THAT IF YOU PUT TOO  
MUCH THEN PEOPLE IGNORE IT BECAUSE THEY'RE IN THEIR OWN LITTLE  
WORLD AND IN A HURRY AND IT COMES BACK TO ENFORCEMENT.

THREE E'S OF TRAFFIC, RIGHT, ENGINEERING, ENFORCEMENT,  
EDUCATION.

WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO DO ALL OF THOSE IN THIS STRETCH OF THE  
HIGHWAY AND OTHER STRETCHES AS WELL.

OBVIOUSLY.

>> Councilmember Howorth: DON'T LOOK AT YOUR PHONE WHEN YOU'RE  
IN A CROSSWALK.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: NO.

>> Councilmember Howorth: REMARKABLE.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THERE ARE PAINTINGS ON THE  
SIDEWALKS AT CROSSWALKS IN MANY OTHER CITIES SAYING LOOK UP.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER FRANKLIN, YOU'RE UP.

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: IN LONDON IT SAYS LOOK LEFT LOOKING

FOR THE TRAFFIC.

SO, YOU KNOW, I CAN'T OVERSTATE THE IMPORTANCE OF PUTTING THESE TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN.

IT'S LONG OVERDUE.

THE GREEN BELT ACTS AS ANOTHER NATURAL CORRIDOR, YOU KNOW, OF KIDS, BICYCLISTS, PUSHING, YOU KNOW, BABY CARTS, BABY CARRIAGES, EVERYTHING.

SO WE WANT OUR RESIDENTS TO GET THERE AND WE WANT THEM TO GET THERE SAFELY.

AND WE HAVE CARS EVEN ZOOMING BY AT [INDISCERNIBLE]

[ LOST AUDIO ]

>> Councilmember Lesser: THERE MIGHT BE SOME REASONS FOR EXPLORING THAT.

I DID WANT TO ENCOURAGE THE POLICE TO CONSIDER PUTTING SOME SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT.

THEY'RE LIMITED ON THE NUMBER OF MOTORS THEY HAVE BUT THIS MIGHT BE AN AREA WHAT CAN WE DO SOON, WHAT CAN WE DO QUICKLY.

PERHAPS THERE IS MORE SELECTED ENFORCEMENT THERE BUT I DEFER THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DO THAT.

I WOULD WELCOME SOME INFORMATION ON WHETHER IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE.

I RECOGNIZE THERE BEING AN ALIGNMENT AND CUTTING BACK SOME OF THE VEGETATION ON THE VETERANS PARKWAY RIGHT AT 27<sup>th</sup> BUT THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD SPOT FOR SOME FORM OF CROSSWALK AS PART OF THE

MEASURES.

WITH THAT I'M SUPPORTING THE MEASURE AND SECOND.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WELL DONE.

THE MAYOR, ONE OF THE THINGS HE DOES OR SHE DOES IS NOT SPEAK AS MUCH AS EVERYONE ELSE.

YOU LISTEN TO WHAT YOUR COLLEAGUES SAY.

I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT WHAT SOMEONE ELSE HAS SAID.

I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE WHEN THEY'RE SPEEDING THROUGH ARE VISITORS.

WHETHER YOU WANT TO CALL IT ON A POST-COVID NEED TO SPEED OR THEY WANT TO GET SOMEWHERE FASTER, WHATEVER SIT GOING TO BE, THERE'S AN INCREASE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, NOT JUST MANHATTAN BEACH.

WE'VE ALL SEEN IT.

I DON'T THINK L.A.'S TRAFFIC IS SAFE.

NOTHING THEY TALK ABOUT WORK IN SWEDEN WORKS IN MANHATTAN BEACH OR THE SOUTH BAY OR L.A. AT ALL.

AS STEVE MENTIONED, THE DEATHS INCREASED.

THIS IS NOT WHAT WE LOOK TO TO SAVE US.

THEY'VE ALL BEEN A COMPLETE FAILURE.

TAKING THAT AWAY FROM IT, WE CONTROL OUR OWN DESTINY HERE AND WE LOOK AT THINGS DO.

OUR PARTNERSHIP IS NOT JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME AND ALL OF US AND YOU.

IT'S THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE STOP SIGNS.  
I'LL TAKE THE LONGER VIEW AND SAY WE'RE GOING TO SEE ERIK AGAIN  
SAYING THERE HASN'T BEEN ENOUGH.

EVEN IF WE ORDER, TO ALAN'S POINT, WE DON'T ORDER THE RAISED  
CURB AND IT SHOWS UP THE NEXT DAY.

YOU HAVE TO ORDER THAT.

SIX MONTHS BECOMES A YEAR.

DON'T THINK SIX MONTHS IN A DAY THEY'RE GOING TO INCREASE THESE  
ITEMS, IT DOESN'T WORK THAT WAY.

I WOULD RATHER HAVE THEM ON HAND SO WHEN WE REALIZE THAT IT'S  
NOT WORKING THE WAY WE WANT IT TO BE, THEY'RE READY TO GO.

BUT THAT BEING SAID, I CAN TELL YOU THE NUMBER OF TIMES THEY  
NIECE RIDES OVER THERE.

THEY BELIEVE IN THE FORCE FIELD BY WATCHING STORES WARS AND THE  
MANDALORIAN.

THIS IS REALITY AND THE CAR NEXT TO THEM.

IF I HAD A CHOICE I WOULD WIPE ALL OF THAT OUT AND PUSH THOSE TO  
THE INSIDE LANE.

NOW THE RESIDENTS WON'T LIKE THE CAR PARKING.

BUT IF SAFETY IS A GOAL YOU SHOULD NOT HAVE A CAR THIS CLOSE TO  
SOMEBODY RIDING A BIKE.

I WOULD WIPE IT ALL OUT AND PUSH TIGHT TIN SIDE CORNER, INSIDE  
STREET.

THIS IS A GOOD FIRST STEP.

I AGREE WITH ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES HERE.

THIS IS A GOOD FIRST STEP.

YOU'LL START SEEING THINGS CHANGE.

PEOPLE WILL LEARN WHERE THE STOP SIGNS ARE AND CHIEF WILL HAVE OFFICERS OUT THERE.

BUT HERE WE GO, IT'S A GOOD FIRST STEP.

LET'S GET IT STARTED AND WE'LL BE BACK SIX MONTHS AGAIN.

WITH THAT WE'LL DO A ROLL CALL VOTE.

>> JUST TO BE CLEAR, IT'S SIX MONTHS AFTER THE INSTALLATION, NOT FROM TODAY.

>> Mayor Montgomery: YES, NO.

CORRECT.

SIX MONTHS FROM WHEN THEY ACTUALLY GO IN THE GROUND WE'RE GOING TO SEE ERIK AGAIN AND MOST OF YOU ALL AGAIN.

STEP SOMEONE IS SIX MONTHS FROM WHEN THEY GO IN THE GROUND, NOT TODAY.

DID WE TALK ABOUT -- EVERYONE STOP FOR A SECOND.

WHEN DID WE SAY WHEN INSTALLATION IS GOING IN?

DO WE KNOW YET?

DO WE HAVE AN IDEA OF A PROJECTED DATE OF WHEN IT'S GOING THE GROUND?

>> STOP SIGN IS A FAIRLY EASY REQUEST AND WE CAN GET A STOP SIGN IN AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS PASSED.

WE HAVE THE SIGNS IN STOCK, IT PROBABLY WOULDN'T TAKE MORE THAN

A MONTH.

>> Mayor Montgomery: FANTASTIC THAT'S GREAT NEWS.

SO NO SHIPPING DELAYS ON THE STOP SIGN.

WE'RE ALL DONE.

WE ALL VOTED.

WE ALL PUSHED OUR SCREENS.

THERE WE GO.

>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE.

APPRECIATE IT.

HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.

THANK AMBER FOR US.

>> Councilmember Howorth: DON'T DO IT RIGHT NOW.

TELL MY DOCTOR.

>> Mayor Montgomery: CAN WE TAKE A FIVE-MINUTE BREAK AND COME  
BACK FOR THE LAST ITEM?

WE'RE GOING TO BREAK FIVE MINUTES AND COME BACK.

[BRIEF RECESS]

>> Mayor Montgomery: EVERYBODY, WELCOME BACK.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION.

ITEM 14, UPDATE THE CITY COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN.

CITY MANAGER BRUCE MOE.

>> GEORGE GABRIEL WILL HANDLE THE PRESENTATION.

>> GEORGE GABRIEL, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER.

THIS REPORT IS AN UPDATE ON THE CITY'S COYOTE MANAGEMENT REPORT AS WELL AS A RESOLUTION WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL TO PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT AND RESPONSE PLAN WITH A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$35,000.

THIS ITEM IS RETURNING TO YOU FOLLOWING THE APRIL 2023 COUNCIL DIRECTION WHICH THEY ASKED FOR STAFF TO RETURN WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACT FOR THE COYOTE RESPONSE PLAN CONSIDERED BY THE COUNCIL.

CONSISTENT WITH PRIOR UPDATES I WANT TO GO OVER THE CITY'S OBSERVATION DAY TO THE FRAME IT FOR THE CITY COUNCIL AS WELL AS THE MAPPING THAT I TYPICALLY PROVIDE TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THEIR AWARENESS.

AND SO IF YOU CAN SHOW THE ATTACHMENT, PLEASE.

SO FIRST, THE COYOTE OBSERVATION DATA IS BROKEN DOWN INTO PERIODS.

ONE IS AN ANNUAL BREAKDOWN FROM 2016 TO 2023 AND SLIGHT MODIFICATION TO THE 2023 COLUMN.

THAT'S ACTUALLY JANUARY THROUGH MAY.

AND SO AS YOU CAN SEE, THE DATA SUGGESTS THERE'S AN INCREASE FROM 2016 TO 2020 BUT WE'RE SLIGHTLY IN LINE WITH 2022, MAYBE A SLIGHT INCREASE FROM 2022 IN TERMS OF INTERACTIONS OR OBSERVATIONS.

DO WANT TO CAUTION THE CITY COUNCIL IN LOOKING AT THAT DATA AS



TO REPORTED SIGHTINGS.

THE CITY HAS ASKED RESIDENTS TO REPORT SIGHTING AS WELL AS ASKING RESIDENTS TO REPORT THEM ON THE CITY'S GO REACH APPLICATION AND A LOT OF PROMOTION VIA HANG TAGS, POST CARDS, ALL OF THAT.

AND SO THAT OBSERVATION DATA CAN BE SLIGHTLY MISLEADING BECAUSE IT DOESN'T ACCOUNT FOR DUPLICATIONS.

THAT BEING SAID, THE NUMBER DOES LOOK LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE INCREASING FROM THE PRIOR YEAR AND TRENDING ABOVE.

IN TERMS OF UNCONFIRMED AND CONFIRMED PREDATION, THAT NUMBER IS PRETTY MUCH MANY LINE.

MARTHA, IF YOU COULD SCROLL DOWN, PLEASE.

AND SO THAT DATA FOCUSES ON THE LAST TWO YEARS WHEN THE CITY COUNCIL HAS BEEN ADDRESSING COYOTE OBSERVATIONS PRETTY STARKLY. AND SO YOU CAN SEE IN 2022 THAT DATA BROKEN DOWN THE SAME WAY ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

2023 WE HAVE DATA FROM JANUARY TO MAY, RECORDED SIGHTING IS SOMEWHERE IN LINE, UNCONFIRMED PREDATIONS IN LINE WITH A SLIGHT UPTICK IN MAY.

AS OF RIGHT NOW THE DATA SUGGESTS THAT WHY THERE IS AN INCREASE, THERE COULD BE AN INCREASED PRESENCE, THERE'S NO STARK TRAJECTORY THAT INDICATES THERE'S A LARGE INCREASE FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.

MARTHA, IF YOU CAN SHOW THE MAP AS WELL, PLEASE.

SO ADDITIONALLY WHAT THE CITY DOES IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT THEIR DATA, WE HAVE AN OBSERVATION DATA MAP SO IT BREAKS IT DOWN INTO WHAT PLACE OF THE CITY THESE REPORTED SIGHTS ON CONFIRM PREDATIONS ARE OCCURRING.

THERE SEEMS TO BE A SLIGHT CONCENTRATION IN THE NORTHEAST QUADRANT OF THE CITY NEAR THE MANHATTAN VILLAGE AREA AND THE SOUTHEAST AS WELL.

THAT'S SOMEWHAT IN LINE WITH WHAT OUR CONSULTANT INDICATED.

THERE COULD BE COYOTE PACKS COMING INTO THE CITY IN THOSE AREAS. ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS WITH THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE OFFICER CONTINUED TO MONITOR, INVESTIGATE AND EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY ON COYOTE ACTIVITY.

AND SO I'LL SWITCH GEARS FROM HERE AND KIND OF GO INTO THE CONTRACT THAT IS UP FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION.

SO CONSISTENT WITH WHAT STAFF INDICATED IN THE PRIOR REPORT, AN ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS WOULD NEED TO OCCUR PRIOR TO A FORMAL APPROVAL OF THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT RESPONSE PLAN.

STAFF SOLICITED PROPOSALS FROM 19 QUALIFIED FIRMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CEQA, STAFF PROVIDED ONE MONTH FOR CONSULTANTS AND GOT A RESPONSE FROM ONE FIRM, MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL TO PROVIDE THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES.

MICHAEL BAKER DEMONSTRATED A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE SCOPE OF WORK AND PROVIDED THE DETAILED METHODOLOGY FOR COMPLETING THE REQUISITE STUDIES.

CURRENTLY THEY'RE WORKING ON THE SCOUT HOUSE PROJECT ADDS WELL.  
THAT BEING SAID, PURSUANT TO THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, MICHAEL  
BAKER HAS WORKED WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING THE CITY OF  
PASADENA.

THAT WOULD CONCLUDE MY PRESENTATION TONIGHT AND IF YOU HAVE ANY  
QUESTIONS I'M AVAILABLE AS WELL AS TALYN MIRZAKHANIAN ON THE  
CEQA FRONT.

STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE CITY COUNCIL RECEIVE THE UPDATE, ADOPT  
THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT AS WELL AS APPROPRIATE  
THE NECESSARY FUNDS FROM THE RESERVE BALANCE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: JUST SO EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS IN THE  
PUBLIC, THE \$35,970 FOR THE CONSULTANT IS ONLY FOR THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW THAT IS REQUIRED IN ORDER FOR US TO PROCEED  
WITH THE INTERSECTION THAT COUNCIL GAVE.

MAKING SURE THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THIS IS NOT GOING TO  
IMPLEMENT ANY NEW METHODS OF CONTROL.

THAT IS THE NEXT STEP THAT WE HAVE TO TAKE.

OKAY.

SO THAT'S NUMBER ONE.

SO I HAVE A QUESTION, I KNOW THAT OBVIOUSLY WE SHARE BORDERS  
WITH EVERY OTHER COMMUNITY.

DO PEOPLE FROM OTHER CITIES SPEAK TO EACH OTHER AND SAY HERE IS  
WHERE OUR COYOTES ARE?

YOU ALL SHARE THAT INFORMATION.

>> OUR ANIMAL CONTROL DIVISION FREQUENTLY INTERACTS WITH -- I DON'T KNOW IF THEY HAVE ONE IN HERMOSA.

BUT WE'VE HAD INFORMATION SHARING SESSIONS AND IN FACT HOSTED EVENTS SO THAT REDONDO AND HERMOSA BEACH COULD ATTEND -- NOT ONLY THE CONSULTANT WAS HERE FOR AN ANALYSIS ON HOW TO ADDRESS COYOTES BUT THE CONSULTANT AS WELL AS THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE WERE HERE.

THERE WAS TWO SESSIONS WHERE THERE WAS INFORMATION SHARING GOING ON.

THERE IS FREQUENT INTERACTION.

EACH CITY IS DIFFERENT IN HOW THEY GO ABOUT ADDRESSING THEIR COYOTE MANAGEMENT RESPONSE AND HOW THEIR PRIORITIZE IT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: ONE REASON I ASK AND OBVIOUSLY IT'S A LITTLE FURTHER EAST ON ROSECRANS BUT THIS PAST WEEKEND I DID A TEST DRIVE OF A VEHICLE AND THEY SAID GO OVER TO THE HOBBY LOBBY PARKING LOT.

THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING TO TEST IT BUT WATCH OUT FOR THE KITTIES.

WHAT?

WE STARTED SEEING ALL OF THESE CATS.

SOME PEOPLE DECIDED THAT'S A REALLY GREAT PLACE -- THERE'S A HEDGE AND THERE'S LITTLE CAT CRATES IN THERE AND LITTLE DISHES AND THERE'S ALL OF THESE CATS.

PEOPLE ARE FEEDING THEM.

AND I KNOW THAT -- IT WAS SORT OF THE PROOF THAT YOU HAD SAID LIKE IN THE VILLAGE OR IN OTHER PLACES, YOU KNOW, THEY MAKE LITTLE HOMES FOR THEM OR FEED THE FERAL CATS.

WE'RE STILL GOING TO CONTINUE THAT EDUCATION NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, CORRECT?

>> CORRECT.

WE WILL TAKE NOTE OF THAT FERAL CAT HABITAT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I WAS REALLY -- AND THEN I STARTED GOING OFF AND THE GUY WAS LIKE, I SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID ANYTHING. THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Lesser: CAN YOU JUST SUMMARIZE WHAT STEPS MUST BE UNDERTAKEN BEFORE TRAPS WOULD BE CONSIDERED UPON COMPLETION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT ASSUMING THERE'S NO FURTHER AMENDMENT TO THE COYOTE MATH PLAN.

>> WHAT WOULD ELICIT IT A TRAPPING SITUATION?

THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN HAS -- SO THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN INDICATES WHETHER THE FACTORS INCLUDE WHETHER THE COYOTE IS ACTING IN AN AGGRESSIVE WAY, WHETHER THERE IS AN ATTRACTANT PRESENCE THAT ELICITS THAT BEHAVIOR, IF THERE'S HUMAN BEHAVIOR AFFECTING THAT COYOTE'S BEHAVIOR AS WELL.

DEPENDING ON A VARIETY OF CIRCUMSTANCES, A SIMPLE CITING DOES NOT INDICATE NECESSARILY A TRAPPING ACTION.

WHAT WOULD ELICIT A TRAPPING CONSIDERATION AT THE VERY LEAST IS AN AGGRESSIVE COYOTE IN A YARD AND THERE CANNOT BE AN ATTRACTANT THAT IS PRESENCE.

WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DISTINGUISH IS BETWEEN COYOTE BEHAVIOR ACTING NORMAL VERSUS ABNORMAL.

WHAT WE'RE HOPING WITH THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT RESPONSE PLAN DRAFT THAT COUNCIL HAS CONSIDERED IS THAT COYOTE BEHAVIOR THAT IS AGGRESSIVE AND THAT IS ABNORMAL, THAT IS WHERE A TRAPPING CONSIDERATION WILL BE CONSIDERED.

>> Councilmember Lesser: CONSISTENT WITH WHAT COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH JUST DESCRIBED, IN TERMS OF INDIVIDUALS NOT REALIZING THAT THEY'RE CREATING A FOOD SOURCE AND NOT TRIMMING BACK HEDGES AND SUCH WHICH MAKES FOR NESTING SITES OR DEN SITES, EXCUSE ME, FOR COYOTE.

WHAT IS NEXT PLAN FOR CITY STAFF OR THE ONGOING EFFORTS BY CITY STAFF TO UP ITS GAME IN TERMS OF OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY AND FOLLOW UP ON THESE SITES WHERE PEOPLE ARE IN FACT NOT WITHSTANDING THE OUTREACH, STILL ENGAGING IN OFFERING FOOD AND SAFE HARBOR.

>> STAFF IN THE PAST HAS TAKEN SOMEWHAT OF A REACTIVE RESPONSE IN TERMS OF WHEN THERE IS A COYOTE SIGHTING OR THERE IS A REPORT OF A COYOTE, THEY'LL DO INVESTIGATIVE WORK AS TO WHAT CAN BE DONE TO MITIGATE THOSE COYOTE OBSERVATIONS.

OBVIOUSLY SINCE 2022, JULY 2022, I THINK STAFF HAS TAKEN A MORE

AGGRESSIVE ROLE IN TERMS OF BEING A LITTLE MORE PROACTIVE ON ADDRESSING OUR COYOTE RESPONSE.

ON AN ONGOING BASIS IT'S GOING TO CONTINUE TO OCCUR AND THAT PROACTIVE RESPONSE IS OBVIOUSLY WHENEVER THERE IS COYOTE SIGHTINGS, TALKING TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE THAT COYOTE OBSERVATION OCCURRED, PLACING A DOOR TAG OR A DOOR HANG TAG SAYING THAT THERE WAS A RECENT COYOTE OBSERVATION AND ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE'S UNCONFIRMED PREDATIONS, OR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER IS DOING AN ADMIRABLE JOB OF WHAT WAS THE CAUSE OF IT.

SO THERE IS, YOU KNOW, DOWN TO THE DETAIL OF, YOU KNOW, CONTACTING A LOCAL VETERINARIAN AND GETTING AN ANALYSIS ON, YOU KNOW, HOW COULD THIS HAVE OCCURRED.

COULD IT HAVE OCCURRED BLUNT TRAUMA VIA A VEHICLE, COULD THIS HAVE OCCURRED VIA A COYOTE BITING INTO IT.

OUR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS DO A DETAIL JOB.

>> Mayor Montgomery: GEORGE, TWO QUESTIONS.

IS THE COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT PLAN ON OUR WEBSITE?

>> IT IS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: NOTHING CHANGED THERE.

CAN YOU GO BACK TO THE SLIDE WHERE THE YEAR OVER YEAR COMPARISON, COYOTE SIGHTINGS '22 VERSUS '23, PLEASE.

THE KEY NUMBERS JUMP OUT AT ME.

LOOK AT THE DIFFERENCE.

SHOULD BE ONE MORE SLIDE.

THERE WE GO.

THE NUMBERS HAVE DROPPED ALMOST IN HALF, A LITTLE OVER HALF.

WE HAVEN'T GONE TO THE MIDDLE OF -- WE'RE IN JULY, THE DRIEST PART.

MAYBE AUGUST.

IT'S GOOD.

WHETHER THAT'S BECAUSE WE'RE NOT REPEATING DUAL SIGHTINGS OR, TWO, THE COYOTES HAVE MOVED ON TO BETTER GROUNDS.

WE'VE GONE AWAY FROM FEEDING THE FERAL CATS.

MAYBE THE COMBINATION OF THEM.

BUT I'M LEERY OF PUSHING OUT THERE THAT WE CONSTANTLY HAVE A COYOTE PROBLEM.

LOOKING AT THE DATA, IT'S NOT TRUE, COMPARED TO WHAT IT WAS LAST YEAR OR A YEAR-TO-YEAR COMPARISON.

EDUCATION IS GREAT BUT IF PEOPLE TAKE THEIR FOOD AWAY, DON'T PUT IT OUT THERE, FEEDING EVERY STRAY CAT THAT GOES BY AND THERE'S A HEDGE NUMBER IN THERE FOR DUAL REPORTING.

WE CAN REPORT IT TO THE NEWSPAPER AND THE MEDIA.

HERE ARE THE NUMBERS.

YOU'RE ASSUMING EVERYBODY REPORTS BUT THERE IS DUAL REPORTING.

I LIKE THE EDUCATION PART OF IT.

I THINK IT'S KEY.

I'M OBVIOUSLY IN FAVOR OF THE PLAN.

THE WAY THE NUMBERS ARE GOING, THAT'S NOT OUR ISSUE YET.



I'M KNOCKING ON WOOD WHEN I SAY THAT AND I HOPE IT STAYS THAT WAY.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: DOES [INDISCERNIBLE] DO THE COYOTE REPORTS AS WELL?

>> Mayor Montgomery: I'M NOT GOING TO GO THAT WAY.

I'M GOING TO OPEN UP TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

HOW ABOUT ON ZOOM.

PLEASE.

WHY NOT.

YOU HAVE THE WHOLE PLACE TO YOURSELF.

PERFECT.

>> SO MY NAME IS SHANNA AND I'M A LONG-TERM RESIDENT HERE.

KNOW STEVE FROM HIGH SCHOOL.

WELCOME, EVERYBODY.

NICE TO MEET ALL OF YOU MANY PERSON.

JUST IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD LAST WEEK WE HAD TWO CATS KILLED BY A COYOTE.

AND I THINK THERE'S SOME HESITANCY FOR PEOPLE REPORTING BECAUSE THEY THINK THERE'S SOME PEOPLE WHO FEEL THAT IT WILL LEAD TO CALLING OF THE COYOTE AND THEY'RE ANIMAL LOVERS.

WE NEED TO MAYBE THINK ABOUT THAT.

AND I THINK IF YOU READ NEXT DOOR, SOME OF THE COMMENTS OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR PETS IS HEARTBREAKING.

I AM NOT SURE WHAT WE'RE SAYING ABOUT NOT -- WELL, WHEN I READ

SOME OF THE INFORMATION OUT THERE, THE COYOTE BEHAVIOR BECOMES MORE AGGRESSIVE, MORE AGGRESSIVE, MORE AGGRESSIVE AND THAT'S FROM CAL STATE PEST CONTROL.

AND SO MY CONCERN -- SORRY.

I'M NERVOUS TO TALK.

MY CONCERN IS THAT WE'RE SEEING SO MANY CATS KILLED, WHETHER THEY'RE BEING REPORTED OR NOT, IT'S COMMON KNOWLEDGE IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS.

PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT IT.

THE REPORTING IS -- THE NEW REPORTING HAS JUST COME UP.

I THINK THAT'S NEW FOR THE ANIMAL CONTROL REPORTING.

I THINK WE NEED TO BE MORE AGGRESSIVE IN WHAT WE'RE DOING, WHETHER IT'S CULLING THEM, WHETHER IT'S EDUCATING, TAKING A LOOK AT WHAT LAND ARE WE TAKING AWAY FROM THE COYOTE.

WE'VE NEVER HAD THIS PROBLEM BEFORE.

THIS IS A NEW PROBLEM.

SOMETHING HAS CHANGED IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.

I DON'T KNOW THAT IT'S NECESSARILY FEEDING FERAL CATS.

THAT'S BEEN GOING ON FOREVER.

WE HAVE A LOT OF CAT LOVERS.

THE FACT THAT WE'VE SEEN THEM ON PACIFIC PLAYGROUND, THE NEXT THING IS, ACCORDING TO CAL STATE, IS THAT THE COYOTE BEHAVIOR BECOMES MORE AGGRESSIVE AND IT NEXT COULD BE A SMALL CHILD.

WE HAVE A LOT MORE SMALL CHILDREN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS THAN WE HAVE

HAD IN THE LAST 20 YEARS AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE GET AGGRESSIVE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: BEFORE YOU GO, ONE QUESTION.

THE CATS YOU MENTION, THEY DON'T REPORT THEM.

ARE THEY FERAL CATS OR HOUSE CATS?

>> HOUSE CATS.

ONE WAS DEXTER.

I HAVE THREE CATS.

I BRING THEM INSIDE AT NIGHT ALWAYS.

BUT DURING THE DAY I'M WORRIED ABOUT THEM BEING IN MY BACK YARD DURING THE DAY.

>> Mayor Montgomery: PLEASE TELL ALL OF YOUR NEIGHBORS TO TALK TO US.

I DON'T READ NEXT DOOR.

WE NEED TO FIND OUT.

WE NEED TO KNOW.

THIS PUTS A PLAN IN PLACE.

>> THESE NUMBERS ARE FOR HALF A YEAR.

WE'RE GOING INTO THE SUMMER WHERE WE HAVE YOUNG ADOLESCENT PUPS.

SO THEY'RE LOW RIGHT NOW BY IT'S NOT EVEN HALF A YEAR.

OR IT'S JUST A HALF A YEAR AT THIS POINT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

APPRECIATE IT.

>> SORRY TO BE NERVOUS TO TALK.

>> Mayor Montgomery: YOU DID A GREAT JOB.

WE CAN ASK YOU STORIES ABOUT STEVE LATER.

>> YOU KNOW I'VE GOT THEM.

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: DO I OWE YOUR MONEY?

[LAUGHTER]

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANYONE ELSE HERE?

HOW ABOUT ON ZOOM, MARTHA?

NO?

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT.

COUNCIL I HAVE A FIRST COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO, SECOND BY MAYOR  
PRO TEM FRANKLIN.

NO OTHER COMMENTS.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I'M NOT GOING TO BELABOR THIS.

THIS IS ANOTHER STEP IN THE STEPS WE'VE ALREADY APPROVED.

WE NEED TO DO THE ENVIRONMENTAL TO BE ABLE TO TRAP AND BECOME

MORE AGGRESSIVE IN DEALING WITH THESE AND, YOU KNOW, COYOTE

MANAGEMENT FUND IS WHAT IT IS BUT THIS HAS TO BE IN THERE TO DO  
ANYTHING.

THAT'S MY MOTION TO RECEIVE THE UPDATE AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.

>> Mayor Montgomery: NOW WE HAVE TWO QUESTIONS.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER AND COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Lesser: BRIEF COMMENTS BECAUSE WE'RE ON THE  
VERGE OF A VOTE AND THAT IS SIMPLY I WILL BE SUPPORTING THE

MOTION HOWEVER I WANT TO ENSURE THAT STAFF DOES ALL OF WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED BY ITS OUTSIDE ADVISER THAT I KNOW SOMEONE QUESTIONED THAT AT A MINIMUM WE ARE PROACTIVE IN SEEKING TO EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY ABOUT REMOVING FOOD SOURCES AS WELL AS A HABITAT AND BEING VIGILANT ON THAT AND RETAIN THIS AS A LAST RESORT.

WE HAD THE TOOL SO THAT WE CAN GET MORE AGGRESSIVE AND WE HAVE THE TOOLS WITH WHICH TO ADDRESS IT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I'M ALL FOR AGGRESSIVE JUST BECAUSE I MENTIONED THE FERAL CATS, I'M ALL FOR THE AGGRESSIVE PLAN. I VOTED FOR IT BEFORE.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WE NEED TO HEAR FROM PEOPLE, ACTUAL STORIES. REAL EVENTS.

WE CAN'T BE GUESSING ON INFORMATION OUT THERE. VOTE, PLEASE.

>> MOTION PASSES 5-0.

>> Mayor Montgomery: NEXT ITEM UP, ITEM L, CITY COUNCIL REQUEST AND REPORTS INCLUDING AB REPORTS.

JOE, YOU GO ANYWHERE?

YOU GOOD?

NOTHING TO REPORT THERE.

LET'S SEE, NEXT UP ITEM 16, CONSIDER A REQUEST BY MAYOR PRO TEM

FRANKLIN AND COUNCILMEMBER LESSER TO DISCUSS THE LOGOS ON POLICE CARS.

CITY MANAGER MOE.

>> WE'RE LOOKING FOR THE THIRD VOTE IF YOU WANT US TO PROCEED.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH IS YOUR THIRD.

>> THIS WILL COME TO A FUTURE AGENDA.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ITEM 17, CONSIDER REQUEST BY COUNCILMEMBER LESSER AND COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH TO DISCUSS TRADEMARKING THE MANHATTAN BEACH PIER.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW THIS.

I DON'T THINK IT'S WORTH TIME.

>> Mayor Montgomery: YOU OKAY WITH THAT?

>> Councilmember Howorth: SURE.

I CAN PUT THE PIER ON A SHIRT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANYWHERE YOU WANT.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I WOULD LIKE TO TURN WHAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED BY SOME AS A NEGATIVE AND TURN IT INTO A POSITIVE.

I WOULD LIKE TO PLACE ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA A DISCUSSION AND WELCOME THE COMMUNITY TO DISCUSS HOW WE AS A CITY MIGHT

CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY AND MEMORIAL DAY SO I WOULD LIKE A SECOND VOTE.

I'VE CONSULTED WITH CITY STAFF AND THIS WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE

WAY TO DO THAT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I'D DO IT.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I'LL DO IT.

I WAS GOING TO DO THIS MYSELF.

I GUESS I WOULD ADD TO THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO KICK IT BACK TO,  
FOR INSTANCE, THE PARKS AND REC COMMISSION AS PART OF THE  
DISCUSSION.

JUNETEENTH SHOULD BE IN THERE TOO.

I'M DRIVING DOWN -- WE'VE HAD FLAGS OUT THERE BEFORE ON FOURTH  
OF JULY.

WE HAVEN'T HAD THAT.

SO WHAT I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO DO IS -- I'M NOT TRYING TO  
BELABOR THIS EITHER BUT WE NEED TO HAVE A -- FIRST OF ALL,  
DECIDE WHAT WE WANT TO DO AND THEN HAVE A CHECKLIST OF THESE  
THINGS THAT WE DO ON A YEARLY BASIS.

THESE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE TRADITIONS.

TRADITIONS ARE SUPPOSED TO LIVE BEYOND WHOEVER THE DIRECTOR IS,  
WHOEVER THE STAFF IS.

WE DO THIS ON A YEARLY BASIS.

WE USED TO PUT FLAGS OUT.

WE DON'T ANYMORE.

THINGS ARE GETTING LOST.

CHECK TO MAKE SURE THAT THE LIGHTS ARE WORKING BEFORE WE BUILD  
UP AN EXPECTATION.

WE JUST NEED TO HAVE A CHECKLIST OF THESE THINGS.

I WOULD LIKE THE DISCUSSION TO BE HAD AT THE COMMISSION LEVEL  
BUT THEN CREATE A CHECKLIST.

IF THIS IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY.  
MEMORIAL DAY.

VETERANS DAY.

WHATEVER IT IS.

GO THROUGH THE LIST OF -- WE'VE GOT 9/11.

I THINK WE DO IT EVERY FIVE OR TEN YEARS NOW.

WE NEED TO PUT THIS DOWN ON PAPER AND HAVE IT OUTLIVE WHOEVER IS  
ANYWHERE AT ANY PARTICULAR TIME.

>> Councilmember Lesser: THIS IS MY INTENT AND I WANT TO BE  
CAREFUL NOT TO TALK TOO MUCH ABOUT THIS ITEM.

THAT'S WHY I PROPOSED IT.

ONLY QUESTION, IS THIS SOMETHING WHICH STAFF WOULD WELCOME  
COUPLED WITH THE JUNETEENTH DISCUSSION OR A SEPARATE STAND  
ALONE.

>> IT'S BEST IF IT'S COMBINED.

>> Mayor Montgomery: COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I MIGHT THROW INTO IT WITH CONSENT,  
WHOEVER IS THE SECOND VOTE OR WHATEVER.

BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN THINKING, SIMILAR TO A CHECKLIST, YOU KNOW,  
SOMETIMES THESE MONTHS, THE SPECIAL MONTHS COME UP AND WE PUT  
SOMETHING ON THE CEREMONIAL LIKE CELEBRATE AMERICAN -- YOU KNOW,



API MONTH BUT NOT AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY MONTH.

IT'S NOT AS IMPORTANT AS THE HOLIDAYS.

IT IS NOT AS IMPORTANT.

BUT IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE SO THAT WE'RE NOT CAUGHT UNAWARES  
AND IT'S JUST ROTE AND WE JUST DO IT.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THOSE GENERALLY COME FROM OTHER  
GROUPS.

THEY MAKE REQUESTS OF US.

I DON'T HAVE A LIST, A RUNNING LIST OF EVERYTHING FOR EVERY  
MONTH.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I UNDERSTAND.

BUT I HAVE ALSO BEEN IN CONVERSATIONS WITH SOMEONE SAYS I JUST  
DON'T WANT TO DO THAT.

GROUPS WILL COME -- NOT YOU, MR. MAYOR MONTGOMERY, BUT THE MAYOR  
WILL SAY WE'RE NOT GOING TO PUT THAT ON THE CEREMONIAL.

IT'S NOT AS IMPORTANT JUST SO YOU KNOW.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I WOULD MAKE THAT SEPARATE FROM THE  
HOLIDAYS.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I'LL DO THAT LATER.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: I WOULD MAKE THAT AS MAYOR'S OR  
CITY MANAGER --

>> Councilmember Howorth: I'LL MAKE A MOTION AT A DIFFERENT  
TIME.

IT'S DIFFERENT FROM WHAT YOU'RE SUGGESTING.

>> Councilmember Lesser: I WANT TO PRIORITIZE THESE THREE HOLIDAYS, PARTICULAR INDEPENDENCE DAY, MEMORIAL DAY AND NOW --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: LOOK AT THE ENTIRE YEAR. THERE ARE THINGS WE DO NOW THAT WE CAN STILL DO OTHER THINGS FOR.

I WOULD DO THAT IN THE SENSE OF DO WE NEED TO HAVE A THIRD? CAN WE JUST GIVE DIRECTION --

>> YOU CAN GIVE DIRECTION TO THE -- WHAT'S THE COMMISSION?

>> Councilmember Napolitano: PARKS AND REC.

>> YES.

IT WILL BE A HEARING WITH PARKS AND REC AND COME BACK TO THE COUNCIL.

>> Mayor Montgomery: WHEN IS THE LAST TIME THAT THE CITY PUT OUT FLAGS FOR JULY FOURTH?

ANYBODY KNOW?

>> Mayor Pro Tem Franklin: TWO OR THREE YEARS AGO.

>> Councilmember Lesser: LIKE ON THE POLES.

>> Mayor Montgomery: FLAGS, ANYBODY HAVE AN IDEA WHEN THAT WAS?

>> I DON'T.

AND I'VE ASKED ERIK TO LOOK INTO --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: COUPLE OF YEARS AGO.

PROBABLY PRE-COVID.

>> I SUSPECT THAT'S WHAT IT WAS.

BUT WE'LL LOOK INTO THAT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: SO WE HAVE A PROPOSAL BY COUNCILMEMBER LESSER WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH AND A THIRD BY COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO.

YOU NEED THREE?

>> YOU'RE GOOD.

THERE WILL BE PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THIS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: PARKS AND REC NEEDS TO BE STEP BY STEP FROM DAY ONE.

THAT WAY WE'LL GO BACK TO --

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THANKSGIVING, ANYBODY?

ARBOR DAY.

>> Councilmember Howorth: FLAG DAY.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: THESE ARE THE CONSIDERATION -- I DON'T WANT TO LIMIT THE COMMISSION.

SERIOUSLY A YEAR THERE'S LOTS OF THINGS.

THERE'S A MOVIE FOR GROUNDHOG DAY.

WE DON'T DO ANYTHING FOR IT.

>> Councilmember Lesser: CAN I SAY ONE LAST THING ON TIMING.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE THIS IS DONE IN AN EXPEDITIOUS WAY SO IF THERE'S BUDGET REQUIRED THAT WE HAVE FUNDS AVAILABLE.

>> Councilmember Howorth: YEAH, FOR LABOR DAY.

>> Mayor Montgomery: EVERY MAJOR HOLIDAY SHOULD BE LOOKED AT.

>> Councilmember Howorth: AND IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE GRAND BUT GOOD GOLLY, FLAGS.

>> Mayor Montgomery: YOU KNOW WHAT THE HOLIDAYS ARE.

THEY'RE ON THE CALENDAR.

ANYBODY ELSE?

NAPOLITANO, YOU'RE UP.

>> Councilmember Napolitano: YOUR HONOR, THANK YOU.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE -- PUT ON THE AGENDA A REQUEST TO MAKE OF OUR LOCAL LEGISLATORS, OUR ASSEMBLY MEMBER AND OUR STATE SENATOR TO SEEK A CHANGE IN THE LAW THAT WOULD ALLOW CITIES TO PROSECUTE STATE MISDEMEANORS WHEN A COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY DECIDES NOT TO.

I HAVE GOT SOME PROPOSED LANGUAGE I CAN BRING FORWARD BUT I WOULD LIKE TO AGENDAIZE IT FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION.

>> Mayor Montgomery: 5-0 ON THAT ONE.

COUNCILMEMBER HOWORTH YOU'RE STILL UP.

>> Councilmember Howorth: I DON'T NEED TO SPEAK.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ANYONE ELSE ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS?

YOU'RE GOOD?

ALL RIGHT.

WE'LL MOVE ON TO CITY MANAGER REPORTS.

>> NOTHING TONIGHT.

THANK YOU.

>> Mayor Montgomery: CITY ATTORNEY REPORT.

>> NOTHING TONIGHT.

>> Mayor Montgomery: ALL RIGHT.

IN INFORMATIONAL.

FOLKS, THIS IS A SAD PART OF THE COUNCIL MEETING.

WE HAVE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY.

MOST OF YOU -- I KNOW THE PD HAS BUT MOST OF US SERVED WITH OR MET WITH OR KNEW HIM, OFFICER RUIZ.

ONE OF THE MOST FUN, SENSE OF HUMOR -- I'M GOING TO READ SOMETHING.

I WANT TO TELL YOU WHAT HE CALLS HIMSELF ON THE [INDISCERNIBLE].

IF KNEW HIM. HE LABELS HIMSELF -- THESE ARE HIS OWN WORDS ON THE PASSING OF RETIRED OFFICER RUIZ.

HE CALLED HIMSELF SENIOR ZOOKEEPER, HUMANITIES INSTRUCTOR, KEEPER OF THE PEACE.

EVERYBODY WITH A SMILE ON THEIR FACE, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR RETIRED MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE OFFICERS, JIM RUIZ.

HE LOST HIS BATTLE WITH LEUKEMIA AND PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

JIM'S WIFE AND FAMILY WERE BY HIS SIDE WHEN HE PASSED.

HE STARTED LAW ENFORCEMENT IN 1977 AND ATTENDED THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S ACADEMY.

JIM LOVED MANHATTAN BEACH AND REFUSED TO LOOK FOR EMPLOYMENT ELSEWHERE.

JIM BECAME A MANHATTAN BEACH RESERVE POLICE OFFICER FOR SEVERAL MONTHS UNTIL THE NEW BUDGET WAS PASSED, HE WAS REHIRED AS A FULL-TIME MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE OFFICER IN 1978.

JIM WORKED A VARIETY OF ASSIGNMENTS, BEACH PATROL, BIKE PATROL, DUI TEAM, DETECTIVE, CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR, DRIVER TRAINING INSTRUCTOR.

AFTER 13 YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY, JIM RETIRED IN 2009 AND STARTED A NEW LOVE, COMPETING IN BARBECUE CONTESTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

JIM WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS QUIRKY SENSE OF HUMOR AND HIS COMPASSION FOR OTHERS.

PLEASE KEEP THE RUIZ FAMILY IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN A MOMENT OF SILENCE TO REMEMBER RETIRED POLICE OFFICER, OFFICER JIM RUIZ.

[ MOMENT OF SILENCE ]

>> Mayor Montgomery: THANK YOU ALL FOR RECOGNIZING.

AND MEETING ADJOURNED UNTIL CLOSED SESSION ON TUESDAY, JULY 20<sup>th</sup>.

HAVE A GOOD SAFE NIGHT.

THANK YOU ALL.

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