# City Council Regular Meeting - February 6, 2024

Meeting Time: 02-06-24 18:00

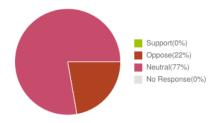
# eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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## Sentiments for All Meetings

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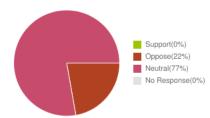
## City Council Regular Meeting - February 6, 2024 02-06-24 18:00

Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)	1	0	0	1
4. 24-0073 Status Update on Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024 Chamber of Commerce Work Plan Contract (City Manager Moe). RECEIVE REPORT	2	0	1	1
6. 24-0009 Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (Finance Director Charelian). RECEIVE AND FILE	1	0	0	1
10. 24-0061 Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Updated 2023 Title VI Program for the City of Manhattan Beach Pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration Circular 4702.1B for Federal Transit Administration Grant Recipients in Order to Remain Eligible to Receive Grant Program Funds (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman and Public Works Director Lee). ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0009	1	0	0	1
<ul> <li>11. 24-0024 Consideration of Adopting Resolution Certifying the Results of the Proposition 218 Special Mailed Ballot Election and Introducing an Ordinance to Adjust the Storm Drain Fees (Finance Director Charelian). (Estimated Time: 30 Mins.)</li> <li>ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0010</li> <li>INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 24-0003</li> </ul>	2	0	0	2
<ul> <li>12. 24-0028 Consideration of the Parks and Recreation Commission Proposal for Establishing a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization and Donation Policy Update, and if Approved, Appropriate \$104,900 from General Fund (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman).</li> <li>(Estimated time: 45 Mins.)</li> <li>A) DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION</li> <li>B) APPROPRIATE FUNDS</li> </ul>	2	0	1	1

## Sentiments for All Agenda Items

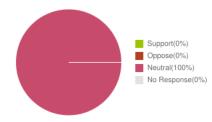
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#### **Overall Sentiment**



Agenda Item: eComments for G. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 MINUTES PER PERSON)

#### **Overall Sentiment**



#### **Brandee Keith**

Location: Submitted At: 1:03pm 02-02-24

The South Coast AQMD's Local Government and Small Business Assistance Advisory Group (LGSBA) will be held on Friday, February 9, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. in hybrid format. Information on accessing the meeting via Zoom is as follows:

Zoom Webinar Link: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/92459924491 Zoom Webinar ID: 924 5992 4491

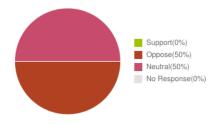
## Electric Lawn and Garden Programs

With spring coming and a growing number of Southern California cities adopting ordinances on gas-burning lawn equipment, South Coast AQMD invites residents and businesses to take part in our Electric Lawn and Garden programs.

South Coast AQMD has two programs, beginning in March, that help clean the air through the replacement of gasoline-powered residential lawn mowers and commercial lawn and garden equipment available to all eligible participants who work or reside within the South Coast AQMD's four-county jurisdiction. For more information, visit https://www.aqmd.gov/home/programs/community/electric-lawn-and-garden-programs.

Agenda Item: eComments for 4. 24-0073 Status Update on Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024 Chamber of Commerce Work Plan Contract (City Manager Moe). RECEIVE REPORT

#### **Overall Sentiment**



Gary Osterhout Location: Submitted At: 8:41am 02-06-24

Given these are all projects that a Chamber of Commerce would likely fund on their own absent City largesse, and none which the City would likely fund without existence of the chamber, I view this is an inappropriate funding. Further, such subsidy allows publication of the MB Pier Review Community Newspaper, which not only

directs advertising money away from necessary community publications such as TBR and ER, but I find it a complete waste of natural resources without significant informational value.

## **Stefan Kampe**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:27am 02-05-24

The financial report is comprehensive and complete. However, I do have the following questions:

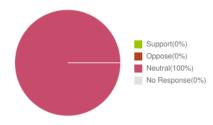
1) The total net position ended at \$245,313,678 at the end of 2023. Is this good, bad, or just right? What is the target net position the City wants to have and what is the logic for that target?

2) How does our total net position compare to other cities in our district?

3) There was a net loss of \$28,403,578 in 2023. Is there a trend here that we should be concerned about? What is the forecast for 2024?

Agenda Item: eComments for 6. 24-0009 Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (Finance Director Charelian). **RECEIVE AND FILE** 

## **Overall Sentiment**



## Stefan Kampe

Location:

Submitted At: 10:24am 02-05-24

The financial report is very comprehensive and complete. However, I do have the following questions:

1) As shown on pages 11 and 12 the City's Total Net Position at the end of 2023 was \$245,313.678. Is this good, bad, or is it just right? What is the goal of where our Total Net Position needs to be and what is the logic for that goal/target?

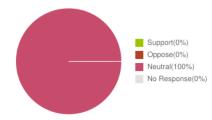
2) The City's total net position from 2022 to 2023 was a decrease of \$28,403,578. Is this a trend over the past 5-7 years? What is the forecast for 2024?

3) How does our Total Net Position compare with other cities in our district?

Agenda Item: eComments for 10. 24-0061 Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Updated 2023 Title VI Program for the City of Manhattan Beach Pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration Circular 4702.1B for Federal Transit Administration Grant Recipients in Order to Remain Eligible to Receive Grant Program Funds (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman and **Public Works Director Lee).** 

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0009

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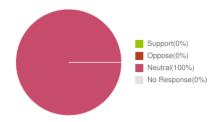
## **Gary Osterhout**

Location: Submitted At: 8:25am 02-06-24

Again, I would urge a more comprehensive evaluation of the use of transportation-related money instead of viewing these as one-off items. Same for which projects you decide to go out for grants. I would also suggest that Parks and Rec isn't the right department for taking the lead on bus procurement or sidewalk repair. And \$100K reserve for future maintenance of 2 buses--seems ripe for abuse. Also, the adjacent business--not the City-should pay for the City's share of the Aviation sidewalk repair, consistent with the General Plan. Otherwise you are "subsidizing" the adjacent business.

Agenda Item: eComments for 11. 24-0024 Consideration of Adopting Resolution Certifying the Results of the Proposition 218 Special Mailed Ballot Election and Introducing an Ordinance to Adjust the Storm Drain Fees (Finance Director Charelian). (Estimated Time: 30 Mins.) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-0010 INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 24-0003

#### **Overall Sentiment**



Gary Osterhout Location: Submitted At: 8:43am 02-06-24 Congratulations on your "ends justify the means" campaign.

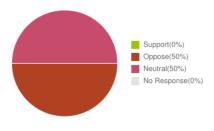
## Stefan Kampe

Location: Submitted At: 12:46pm 02-05-24

Please comment regarding impact of City of MB voting. i.e., the yes votes totaled 2,795 and the no votes totaled 2,514 for a difference of 281 votes. If the City of MB had abstained on voting what would have been the outcome?

Agenda Item: eComments for 12. 24-0028 Consideration of the Parks and Recreation Commission Proposal for Establishing a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization and Donation Policy Update, and if Approved, Appropriate \$104,900 from General Fund (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman). (Estimated time: 45 Mins.) A) DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION B) APPROPRIATE FUNDS

## **Overall Sentiment**



## **Gary Osterhout**

Location: Submitted At: 8:35am 02-06-24

Besides the cringingly obsequious LoveMB name, there is no need for this additional bureaucracy. This is as bad as you branding efforts. People can get a tax-deductible donation just by donating to the city without a separate 501(c) being created. There are legal restrictions on a 501(c)(3) as to donors directing their contributions that need to be attended to. Our city, particularly with the new storm water fee, has enough money to do whatever projects the city wants to do (if we constrain City Hall salaries) without the "ownership" privilege on type, nature and usage created by private funding. Public projects should be viewed as created and a responsibility of us all. You folks seem to want to do anything to reduce the feeling of community belonging as a whole. This is just another boondoggle.

## Stefan Kampe

Location: Submitted At: 1:08pm 02-05-24

Please include in your presentation/discussion the following (I am seeking to understand the background better): \* The request to create a 501(c)(3) indicates that there is a higher financial need to fund our parks and recreation programs than what is available through typical funding sources. Is this the case and, if so, what is the annual need expected? How is the budget for parks and recreation determined/limited?

\* Please clarify what the limitations are when a local government participates in a 501(c)(3). Can the City of MB donate to a 501(c)(3)? If so, will this set a precedent for other 501(c)(3)'s to ask for funding?