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MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Thank you so much. So, City Attorney Barrow, do you have, an announcement about the closed session?

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Yes, Mayor, earlier this afternoon, the City Council went into closed session to discuss the items identified on the agenda. There was no reportable action taken. It'd be appropriate to continue the adjourned regular meeting to immediately after our six o'clock session.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Great. Thank you so much. So, we'll adjourn the closed session and come to our regular meeting here Tuesday, July 2nd, 6 p.m. And could we please have the pledge to the flag? We've got a very special guest who's going to do this. His name is Hawk Dill. So, Mr. Dill, can you and your mom come up, please? No breakdancing like you did in that video I saw.

HAWK DILL: I know

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. So, I'll put this up for you so you can go ahead. So, what do we do? Put your right hand over you heart.

HAWK DILL: Right hand over your heart. Ready? Begin.

GROUP: 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 FRANKLIN: Oh man. That was terrific. Well done. Yes, we can give a round of applause for that. So, let's learn about this young man Hawk Dill and his mom, Star Dill. All right. So what grade are you in?

HAWK DILL: I'm turning to first grade.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Turning to first grade and which school are you in?

HAWK DILL: Robinson.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Robinson? Terrific. I think we got some Robinson fans here. Look at that.

HAWK DILL: Go, Dolphins.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. And what are the plans for the summer before the big first grade begins?

HAWK DILL: Camp.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Any particular camp?

HAWK DILL: Beach camp, Stephen Kate.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Surfing? Well you already know how to surf, right?

HAWK DILL: I'm practicing.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, does your dad help with the surfing?

HAWK DILL: Yes, and another friend dad.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: That's terrific. Okay. Well we want to thank you for leading the pledge today. It's very important and I knew you were the man for the job. So, what I want to present to you is a certificate of recognition presented by my colleagues here at City Council to Hawk Dill for leading the City Council in the community in the Pledge of Allegiance. So, thank you so much for that. And yep. And then we're going to go ahead and give you one of our City pins as well since you did such a great track.

HAWK DILL: Thank you so much. Thanks so much.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: You're Welcome. Oh, wait a minute. I've just forgot one thing. Let's line up for the photos and Star, can you just tell us a few words about Hawk?

STAR DILL: Well, Hawk is a longtime resident of Manhattan Beach. He has lived here his entire six years of life. He is a boy with long hair. He wanted you guys to know. I think they already know. He's a great kid. I think you can expect wonderful things from him. He has a heart of gold and it's just we love him and he's so special.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: We'll mention I've known him since he was born. So, he's a great kid. I've said it many times to his parents. I want to be Hawk when I grow up. Okay, so could we have roll call please?

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Lesser?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Here.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Napolitano?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Here.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Montgomery?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Here.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Pro Tem Howorth?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Here.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Franklin?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Here. And we are on to the ceremonial calendar. We have a presentation of a commendation to Finance Director Steve Charelian on the occasion of his retirement after 35 years of service to the City of Manhattan Beach.

CITY MANAGER MOE: Alright. So, Steve, 35 years here at the city. You were talking a little bit earlier today. Steve and I started in 1989 together. I came in May. He came in July. And from the start Steve was really the kind of guy who distinguished himself from other employees. He brought enthusiasm. Still has it today. Still that youthful smile. But he just kind of lights up a room when he comes in and he's so as I said a few weeks back he's always willing to jump in and take on additional responsibilities and duties. So, when I started thinking about Steve back in 1989 and forward there are a few things that stick out in my mind. And one of them was that Steve

was instrumental in all of our location filming around the City of Manhattan Beach. Of course, the studios were built in the late 90s over here off Rosecrans and CSI Miami was one of the shows that were filmed there. And they would come out and you would use Polliwog Park or anywhere in the city a number of times. Of course, we have a film permitting requirement and Steve was instrumental in setting that up and he would work with these different production companies. He knew how to keep them in line so that our residents weren't bothered by the activity, that everybody remained safe. And I remember you had the big CSI Miami sign up behind your desk but you were the go-to guy and kind of our Hollywood rock star here allowing all the filming in town. Steve was also known among the employees as being somebody you could go to and say Steve, I need a new car. Can you help me negotiate the price? Am I right? Henry did. Henry did it a couple or three times I know. It was just like he'd hand you his checkbook and then he'd go off and you'd crank and crank and crank and they'd squeal and sell the car to you. It was amazing. So, several years back this is probably 2008 I want to say when Sherry Moreland left. So, Steve really wanted to be the Revenue Services Manager and he was the next person in line below Sherry. And you know, at that point I don't think I knew you as well as I do now but I thought, you know, I'm not sure if Steve's ready yet and Steve being the social guy that he is and

the closer that he is he invites me to Il Fornayo for a happy hour. So, we sit there and by the end of 45 minutes and I don't know a couple glasses of wine a few margarita pizzas, Steve had me convinced because he brought so many qualities. He brought the enthusiasm and again that, you know, give me a nice assignment I'll run with it. He just always was there on the spot to get things done. But it was that enthusiasm that, that intangible thing that you can't necessarily learn. It's just part of Steve's personality that really sold it. And I never looked back and so when it came time to find my replacement as finance director, Steve was a logical choice and he's never disappointed me. He's never let me down because he's always there ready to step up and say put me in coach. I'm ready to play whatever it takes. As you always said another shrimp on the barbie. So, but as I said it, you're going away party Steve. I think you're going on to this next chapter here which of course includes R.C., Knox and Chase. You're a family guy all the way. I've known that about you from the day I met you and you guys will be lucky to have him around a little bit more now. And of course, you're not going to be far and you'll bring the family by and stop in and have some lunch with us and all the good things like that. So, you know I want to congratulate you Steve. Thank you for all your dedication and hard work and thank you for the personal relationship that we've had that has made us

successful. And by the way I'm totally ignoring all the great work he did in terms of pension obligation bonds and AAA credit rating all these things. He did an amazing job and you should be proud of that. I'm proud of you and I wish you luck.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, were we going to have anybody else? Okay, anybody else want to say a few words for Steve? Okay, and I think we got the presentation, here. A couple of things if I could have some help here Mayor Pro Tem that would be great. Right there.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: City pins. City pins.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: City pins. City pins. Do you want to read some of this? Some of it. You can paraphrase. Not too much.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Well, this is basically an IOU collecting no. So, it's a certificate of commendation from the City Council and the residents of Manhattan Beach. And here's a magnificent list of your accomplishments and we therefore be resolved at the City Council on behalf of the residents of the City of Manhattan Beach does hereby present this commendation to Steve Charelian. So, thank you so much for all that you did with the city.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: It's from for me, I wait, I need my glasses. This is actually the City of Rolling Hills State wants to recognize you for your 35 years of service and

recognition. The City of Torrance were you moonlighting were you working?

FINANCE DIRECTOR CHARELIAN: I grew up in Torrance.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I mean, okay there you go but it is it is important that we are a South Bay community and excellence recognizes excellence. The school district Steve Charelian, okay, did you negotiate that joint-use agreement I mean, okay, all right. Keep it rolling what? So, they give me a hard time but then they don't want to step up okay all right fine, I got you take it. City of Gardena and Steve Napolitano there you go. I'm not going to do anymore. Here we go okay alright gosh darn it. City of Rancho Palos Verdes for Steve Charelian. Now you do have room in your house RC, right and frames ready, okay, are you guys wanted somebody else want to come do the state Senate? All right so the state Senate from California Senator Ben Allen our state senator from his office, this is really I've never seen this at one of our meetings, this is true in all seriousness the California State Treasurer Fiona Ma recognizes Steve Charelian, right, okay, our congressman Ted Liu sends his regards. This is so cool, I've never seen this one either. This is the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to Steve Charelian director of finance for your outstanding leadership. So, you have touched not just all of us and the residents in our town but obviously, been a presence in the

county and has been recognized by state leaders and it is so well deserved and well-earned and I don't want to belabor this, you have done excellent work with your whole heart and you've even convinced some of my colleagues that they were wrong. I've been told but I'll let them tell you but I just want to say how much we have trusted your judgment and how much that has meant to all of us in our community because there's numbers on a page but they tell a story and you have helped us understand that story and write the story for our community so thank you so much. Not sure what, I'm supposed to do is you know how dangerous it is give me a mic Steve.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Don't get between a politician and a microphone. All right. You know it's been 35 years for Steven. It's been 35 years for Bruce as well. He's going to be leaving us in a few weeks, and I try and learn something new every day. After 35 years, I learned that it just takes a happy hour to get Bruce to do anything. If I had known that years ago, we could have accomplished so much more. But in the meantime, Steven, we had a little employee get-together to wish Steve farewell and good wishes about a week or so ago. A lot of things were said then, and I just wanted my colleagues here to speak as well, of course. I just want to say, Steve, as a friend, we've shared a lot of thoughts together and dedication to this city. You know, in that thing about being wrong and

changing gears, we've had so many great discussions over the years where I think we've pushed each other to get outside the norm and our comfort zones. I think the results have been very good. You've gotten a number of things passed that have put this city on a financial foundation that is going to be just... it's going to keep us in good stead. Especially our recent vote on the storm drain—that's going to get us 20 years of good budgets. Now we need to address our CIP, and you've set us up for that, and I appreciate that as well. But speaking more to the person, you know, as I said the other day, I think that the good folks who work in any institution, especially here at the city, are the ones who leave the place better than how they found it. Steve, you've done an amazing job here. You are leaving Manhattan Beach in a better place than you found it, as finance director, as all the positions you held before, but just as a dedicated employee who bleeds Manhattan Beach. You can't look for a better employee than someone who just believes in what they're doing, and you believed in what you were doing. So, we wish you the best going forward. I don't know why I picked this up, but you got a volleyball plaque here that, I don't know, we'll find cemented on the pier somehow, somewhere. Thanks again, brother.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: It's hard to add to that. I simply wanted to echo everything that my colleagues have said.

You've been the steady hand at the wheel, and all of us who are residents and have businesses in the city are the better for it. You've been the person that I could go to and get a straight answer, and some of the questions were not always easy. What really should we, as policymakers, prioritize? And you would tell it straight. You would give us the numbers to back it up, and I think you helped, certainly me, and I think all of us, move forward as a community and remain stable as we have. So, I don't have much in the way of swag other than I'm noticing that your city pin is an earlier model. I want to give you, finally, your own city pin if you don't have one already. But wait, there's more. This is from Malia M. Cohen, the California State Controller. Congratulations.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: All right, before I give Steve his well-wrapped gift here, no it's not a surfboard. Something you don't know about Steve because we don't mention it: in 2008, we had the great recession, remember that? He was second-in-command behind Bruce back then, so he went through one major event in our city, watching what it took in case the bad happened. Fast-forward: he's finance director. What happens? COVID. So, guess who gets all the "what the hell do we have to do"? Gloves, remember those days? Gloves, the alcohol swab things, everything. Gowns, everything we needed to do, he was the man to go to. We didn't know, he and Lisa, we didn't know

what to do. We thought it'd be over in six months, right? We all thought it'd be over quickly, back to normal. No. And then we spent a million dollars plus of our own money, and Steve is the guy who clawed it back from the feds. To this day, we got something back, we have like half more than a thousand dollars to go, but he's done a great job clawing it back. Those are things no one knows about because you don't see him every day unless you're talking to him, understanding what happens. He was here every day, three days a week, at council meetings, and Steve is the one who said, "Hey, we got to get this done. We're going to keep track of all the expenses." So, he goes back to the feds, trying to get our money back for us, and he knows I'm on him about how much we still have to get back. But all those things you don't see behind the scenes just a guy that made a hat with Bruce and learned from Howard Fishman in risk management and Henry Mister from the old finance days. There's a long succession of leaders here in finance that you don't see them all. All the work goes unheralded, but we know what they do. So, a big thank you, and thank you with extra appreciation for what you just bought there. But thank you, Steve, for all you've done for us. And a parting gift - I won't tell you what it is, it'll probably go in Knox's bedroom, but I won't tell you what's going inside of it. Thank you from all of us for all the

things no one knows you do, but we do, brother. So, congrats to you.

STEVE CHARELIAN: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Mayor Franklin

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Let's see, let's say in colleagues we can start coming together here, we spared no expense. It's the plans. So, I assume is that from Public Works? So, that's from all the folks of Public Works and Eric Lee and everybody there. Wow, and we're going to add that to Google Maps, right? It's going to appear on Google's map, Google map, okay. So, let's get you in the middle and then we'll surround you.

STEVE CHARELIAN: First and foremost, thank you all for being here. There are so many of you. I see city staff, I see old elected officials, friends, and family. I appreciate it. I think Steve Napolitano is thinking, "Hey, I got Steve on that volleyball. Maybe I can scratch it out and put Napolitano." Where's Mark? Maybe Mark can help out. He's like, "I'm halfway there, I'm halfway there." Now, I had to just write it down because I didn't want to forget anything. Today marks a significant moment in my life as I bid farewell to my career in municipal finance. It has been an incredible ride filled with challenges, accomplishments, and most importantly, meaningful relationships that have shaped my professional and personal growth. When I first embarked on this path as a municipal

employee, I never imagined the profound impact it would have on me. Over the years, I've had the privilege to work alongside dedicated colleagues, who share a commitment to fiscal responsibility and the well-being of our community. Together, we successfully managed budgetary constraints through strategic long-term financial planning, navigating challenges like the Great Recession, a generational pandemic, and economic uncertainties. We did that with diligence and creativity. I am deeply grateful to the elected officials and city manager who entrusted me with the responsibility to steward our municipal finances over the last six years. Your support and guidance have been invaluable, guiding us through fiscal challenges and enabling us to achieve sustainable growth. To my team, past and present, I thank you for your hard work, expertise, and unwavering dedication. It has been an honor to lead such a talented group of individuals who consistently demonstrated a commitment to excellence and a passion for public service. Our collaborative efforts have not only strengthened our financial standing but have also contributed to the betterment of our community through exceptional service. To the residents, businesses, and taxpayers, I am grateful for your trust and confidence. Your engagement and feedback have been instrumental in shaping our financial policies and decisions. Serving your needs has been the driving force behind every budget crafted and

every financial plan implemented. As I transition into my next chapter in life, I carry with me cherished memories and invaluable experiences. While my role as finance director concludes, my commitment to our community remains steadfast. I look forward to continuing to contribute in new capacities and supporting the ongoing prosperity of our municipality. Lastly, I extend my heartfelt thanks to my wife, RC, and two sons, Knox and Chase, along with my family members here, friends, and loved ones for their unwavering support and understanding throughout this journey. Your encouragement has sustained me during challenging times and made every achievement that much more meaningful. In closing, I leave with a profound sense of gratitude for the privilege of serving this city, Manhattan Beach, employed for the past 35 years. The lessons learned and relationships forged will forever hold a special place in my heart. Thank you all for this incredible opportunity and for being part of my remarkable journey. This isn't goodbye but a see you later. I'll leave it at that.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Honestly, I think he got the best going away gifts.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: That is incredible.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: The sign, the volleyball. He deserves it.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I don't know if I could choose between the two.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Don't get teary eyed.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: A hand shake and a kick in the pants. That's pretty good.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, that was great, thank you all. And so, moving on to E, approval of agenda and waiver of full reading of ordinances.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: So, moved, Your Honor.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Second.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So we've got - -

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Oh I thought, I seconded. I had seconded. So now it's, doesn't matter. Whatever we got.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, we've got a motion by David, Councilmember Lesser and seconded by Councilmember Napolitano.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 5-0.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. City Council and community organization announcements of upcoming events, one minute per person, just make your way up, whoever's on deck, just come on down, so you can be ready.

LIBRARY MANAGER MURRAY: Hi, good evening, Mayor, members of the Council, my name is Josh Murray. I'm here on behalf of Manhattan Beach Library. I would like to remind the community that we will be closed this Thursday, July 4th for

Independence Day holiday, and we will reopen on Friday, July 5th at 10 a.m. Also, in celebration of Independence Day tomorrow, July 3rd at 4:30 p.m., everyone is invited to a very special performance of Johnny Cash Americana music. Michael J. presents his live Johnny Cash Americana music program with his singing partner and bass player Leticia Blumet. Come hear the roots of Johnny Cash's music with songs and stories that inspired his music. And this event is for all ages and registration is now available on our website LACountyLibrary.org and I thank you for your time. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, Thank you, Josh. Next.

BOBBY BELL: Honorable Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, City Councilmembers, City officials, Mr. Lee. I wrote it down because I get flustered when I'm up here. My name is Bobby Bell. I'm the Recycling Educator, dedicated to Manhattan Beach for WM, previously known as Waste Management. I got a few quick announcements. Just wanted to give you an update. A couple of Saturdays ago, we did our paper shred. It went off smoothly. We served over 250 Manhattan Beach residents. Everything was great. Everybody was happy again. Thank you to the chief for supplying the volunteer police department and for Mr. Lee's department for organizing the venue for us to do it at. Next announcement and observance of the 4th of July holiday. There will be no collection on Thursday the 4th. If your service falls that day

or after your service will be delayed by one day for that holiday week. And lastly, we'd like to remind all the residents of our upcoming backyard composting class. It'll be Saturday, July 13th from 10 to 11. It is held at the Manhattan Beach Botanical Gardens, which is located on the west end of Polliwog Park. All residents are invited to come out and learn how to create natural fertilizer for their at-home gardens and our curbside organics program. Discounted worm bins and compost bins are available on site and they're available year-round by calling Waste Management at 310-830-7100. Once again, that's 310-830-7100. Hoping you guys have a great 4th of July. Be safe. Have a blessed evening.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Perfect. Thank you, Bobby.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: The happiest trash guy I know.

DAVID ARCHER: I know, right. How do I follow that?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: This is always picking up.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah. That was good.

DAVID ARCHER: Good evening, Honorable Mayor and City Councilmember David Archer, Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce. I just have a few things to mention to you. We have our annual hall mixer in the park at Chevron Park on July 11th. You're all welcome to join us there at 5:30. We have our upcoming mayor's lunch in quasi-state of the city as well as the board installation lunch at Tin Roof Bistro on August 7th at 11:30 to

1:30. Hope you guys can join us there. And also, we have a power lunch and networking on the hidden secrets of service and counter management. And that'll be at UNITA on August 8th for lunch, 11:30 to 1. So, look forward to seeing you there. Have a happy and safe 4th of July. The chamber will be closed on the 4th of July, so we will see you on the 5th. Have a good evening.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, David.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MIRZAKHANI: Good evening, Honorable Mayor, Councilmembers, and members of the public, Talyn Mirzakhani, Community Development Director. On behalf of the Community Development Department and the Public Works Departments, I would like to advise the community that on Monday, June 24th, the city closed off the third level of parking lot 3, which is on the corner of Morningside and 12th Street. Recently, during a routine inspection, structural issues were identified related to the third level that require a more specialized review. Because safety is our top priority, the third level will remain closed until further assessment can be conducted. In order to address the parking deficiency resulting from this closure, city staff has been working hard to secure alternative parking spaces for use by the general public during the busy summer season. After reaching out to several property owners, staff has secured 55 parking spaces from MBUSD at Pacific Elementary School through at a minimum August 5th and is

finalizing a daily shuttle service between Pacific Elementary School on the corner of Pacific Avenue and 17th Street in downtown Manhattan Beach. The shuttle will run between Pacific Elementary School and two fixed stops in downtown, 10th Street and Manhattan Avenue and City Hall. With pickup drop off occurring approximately every 20 minutes during the following operational hours, Monday through Thursday, 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., five-hour parking limits will be enforced and parking shuttle use will be free of charge. We are striving to commence this operation on Monday, July 8th. Staff continues to pursue additional parking and shuttle opportunities for the remainder of the summer season. We urge you to visit www.manhattanbeach.gov/lot3 for updates regarding the closure and alternative parking options. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Question you Honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: So, who's running the shuttle?

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MIRZAKHANI: We've outsourced it.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Okay. Who's paying for the shuttle?

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MIRZAKHANI: The city.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: And this came to Council when?

CITY MANAGER MOE: Right now. It actually doesn't require Council approval, financially speaking, and of course this has been all done in a very short notice, and so we're pulling out all the stops to accommodate as much parking as we possibly can.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Well, how much does it cost?

CITY MANAGER MOE: It's roughly \$50,000 for about eight weeks of service.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I'd like it to come back to Council.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We can talk about that at the end, of course, and then I have some comments, Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, I think we were all told that this was going to, not the shuttle piece, about lot 3. And then I just want to commend staff for moving so quickly. We met with Jill Lamkin from the Downtown Business Association right away, because especially for the businesses down there, such a huge ordeal and issue, and there's been a lot of partnership going on. I was very pleased to hear that the school district was opening up Pacific School for those spots, especially the

employees. You know, that's really, that's a good collaboration there. You know, I also know that there were so many emails flying back and forth between staff, between Jill. Hey, do you know so-and-so? Do you know if they have a parking lot? Do you know, hey, I know somebody over on Rosecrans? I mean, the ideas were flying back and forth. It doesn't mean there aren't better ideas out there. And to that, I want to say if you have a parking lot, or an empty parking lot in Manhattan Beach, and you would like to help us out, please contact somebody at the city. And, you know, the shuttle, I am sure that there are other solutions going forward. We can obviously talk at the end if we want to put it on the agenda for, you know, a more sustained effort. But I would have to say that the way staff worked, you know, all day Thursday, Friday, all through the weekend, you know, from public works inspecting, they've been doing regular inspections of the facility to saying this top level is not safe for people. Thank you, you know, to Community Development and everybody for just working so hard. It was really impressive, and I have to say Jill Lampkin was very much a part of that and very appreciative of the effort, so Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great, thank you. Any other questions? Next.

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: Good evening, Honorable Mayor, members of the City Council, Andrew Enriquez, your

captain for Field Operations for the Police Department. I just wanted to take this moment to invite the public, as well as yourselves, to our next community event, which is Cones with a Cop, on Wednesday, July 10th, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Handel's Homemade Ice Cream Shop, 3360 North Sepulveda Boulevard. We'll be out there providing a free scoop of ice cream, and you can come meet all the employees that we have at the Police Department. So, I encourage everyone to show up. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great, Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Excuse me, Captain. I'm sorry, I'm jumping ahead.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No, you go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Mine was not intended to be a serious question. It was just that you say all the Police Department, are they going to come on their off time because there's free ice cream?

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: That's a possibility.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Thank you, Captain.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay, and I was going to ask, could you remind us of the holiday of July 4th is coming up, and are there, what are the rules surrounding fireworks in our city?

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: We do not allow fireworks in the city, so we will be open on 4th of July.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: The police have to work, okay.

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: The police fire will be open on 4th of July, that includes our jail. So, if you are breaking the law in town.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I'm out of town, I'm going now.

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: Trying to visit?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I'm going to Pasadena, so I'm good.

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: Perfect. No, we do not allow fireworks in town. We understand, and I hope the public understands, we do prioritize calls. Calls for life, preservation of life, will take the highest of priorities, but we will prioritize the calls and respond. Some of the response times may not be to everyone's expectation. If you are calling about something that is not top of the priority list, and we have other things going on. But we are aware that fireworks will be going off at various parts in South Bay, and we will respond as best we can to the calls that are within Manhattan Beach.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I have a question. Is any type of fireworks illegal, even when the so-called safe and sane?

POLICE CAPTAIN ENRIQUEZ: The city of Manhattan Beach does not allow safe and sane fireworks. We have zero fireworks allowed in the city.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, thank you. Great. Thank you, Captain. Anybody else?

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER GAMBOA: Good evening, Mayor Franklin and council members. I'm Gilbert Gamboa, principal civil engineer, and I'm here to give a friendly community update on the peer railing replacement project. I wanted to touch base really quick with a bit of background questions that we always use to get, is how long have the railings been there, the existing ones? So, did a little research, you know, with helping Jan Dennis. So, they are circa early 80s, early mid-to-80s was the style that we see out there with the four rails and the seafoam green color. And my best guess is the seafoam green color came then into existence to match the, as you see in the photo, to match the old, the former roundhouse back then. The pictures you see here were from the 1991 renovation. So, we're looking at a 40-year-old rails. I brought some samples here of the before and after. We have a mock-up that we presented to the council.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Wow.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER GAMBOA: So, you can see some of the deterioration.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Existing rail, in case you couldn't tell.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER GAMBOA: So, the pier is about 928 feet long. It's got about over 2,000 feet, linear feet of railing out there that needed to be, you know, that was deteriorated over the 40 years. And basically, the complexity of engineering, as far as engineering, was balancing the maintenance and the character-defining features, you know, including that seafoam green color and trying to get a material that will last a little bit longer than what we had out there. So, we went with an aluminum metal there. It's got a Kynar coating. So, it's kind of a baked-on process there with that seafoam green custom color on that end of it. So, it should give us a long-lasting railing out on the pier. And then, here you see the after. So, this is some of the installation the contractor has done. He's completed almost the entire pier there, the round end, the straightaway runway. And then, the remaining work is just the base entrance of the pier by the lifeguard tower on that end of it and some of the stair, the staircase railing and then the gates. So, as far as constructional schedule update, the remaining work will be done throughout the rest of the month of July. And like I said, that includes the railing installation at the base entrance of the pier and adjacent to the bike path. The staircase railing on north and south sides, it's a little bit more intricate, so that's coming along. And then, the entrance gates will be the

last thing that comes into play and then, we'll meet in house with maintenance staff to go over the new sign installation so we can get some of our information signs and our regulatory signs back out there in play on that end of it. And then, punch list items will follow. So, the main goal is to finish it this month by the end of July and that way we are ahead of the volleyball tournaments that we're known for. So, that's my update today.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. That's terrific. I have to say, when I was told it was only going to take a couple of weeks to do it, I was very dubious, but it is an ingenious design and it was well executed. So, well done.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER GAMBOA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Your Honor, I have a question. Gil, would you mind? People don't know, when did you start the process first? How many groups did you get approved from before you began?

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER GAMBOA: Good question. So, we started probably talking about this back throughout there, but probably about 2019-2020 to go through the multiple jurisdictions. So, when you do work on the pier, you come into play with the California Coastal Commission. You have the beaches in Harbor LA County and then technically the state is the owner of the pier. So, it's the State Department of Parks

and Rec that we have to go through approval process. So, they have their own plan check process, similar to ours. So, we go through theirs. And then, what other federal agencies will get involved for their permit processes as well through the California Coastal Commission.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: I ask that question, colleagues, and the public, because all of the COVID, number one question was, we're not going to fix our pier. Seriously, in all of COVID, they wanted to know when we can fix it. In their mind, that was a high priority to fix the pier railings. They were concerned about that. So, now we know the answer. It took us four years to get here, but the right way. Everybody knows about it, but in the right way, we found a good solution. So, thank you. Nothing further, Your Honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: No one here complained about it. 2020 is now talking about it now.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Anybody else? Community announcement?

RITA CRABTREE-KAMPE: Yes, Hi. Rita Crabtree-Kampe. I just wanted to give a big kudos to the City Council in previous years. Hired a dedicated housing navigator service contracted through Harbor Interface Services. And in the last couple of weeks, we have had people move out of the share housing, which the city was helping pay for and into their own apartments. And

we have a family of seven with a six-month-old that was moved out. We have a family, I mean, a couple of two that moved into an apartment. And I want to give kudos to Myra, who is our housing navigator from Harbor Interface Services. She does amazing work, collaborates with everybody throughout the county, throughout her agency, and throughout other agencies. And I also wanted to give a big shout out to the community in general, who has answered the call to supply furnishings and everything else these people have needed to support their apartments.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, Rita.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Hey, Your Honor, can I make a comment about that? Hey, George here. George, George, thank you, because I... We finally got the counts from L.A. County. And for years, we fought L.A. County on the numbers. I typically kept hammering them, because they used fake adjustments that were not supported. We had 41 people, Steve, in 2017, if I remember correctly, down to seven on our last count. And now the last count, we have 24. They show four.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Our raw count reflected two individuals and two improvised dwellings, as they refer to it as, which was two cars.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: So, we're going to almost to where reality is starting to sink in and what our numbers actually are. But thank you for following up on that. That's a

huge kudos as a staff and to the navigating system and everyone else did a good job of making sure. Now we're talking real numbers. No more inflated numbers anymore, which is good. So, thank you, Your Honor. Nothing else.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. And I'll just remind folks you can report any homeless contact with the city's app called Reach Manhattan Beach. And it's very helpful when you press that submit button, an email is sent directly to the aforementioned Myra and the Police Department. And it really is an efficient way to help these people to get off the street. So, okay. And then, colleagues, any other comments? So, I just have one. I just wanted to thank the Parks and Recreation Commission, Parks and Recreation Department, Public Works for what I'm calling the flags across the strand. So, if you haven't been down there, there are now 30 large flags on very long poles. It's very dramatic down on the strand right off of the crosswalk at, you know, at Pier Plaza. So, go down there, take a look. That will be up for the Fourth of July and any other, you know, major patriotic holiday. So, thank you all very much. Okay, moving on to public comment. Sorry. So, this is where you may make a public comment about any matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, including items on the agenda. And you're limited to three minutes.

UNDIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. Last week, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled 6-3 in favor of Grants Pass, affirming City's rights to regulate encampments and public spaces without violating the Eighth Amendment for invitation against cruel and unusual punishment. Grants Pass, public camping ordinance does not criminalize status. The public camping laws prohibit actions undertaken by any person. It makes no difference whether a person is homeless, a backpacker on vacation, or a student who abandons his dorm room to camp on a municipal building. Gavin Newsom said, this ruling provides officials the definitive authority to implement and embrace policies to clear encampments. Removing the legal ambiguities that have held the hands of officials and limited their ability to deliver comments as measures to protect the safety and well-being of communities. Manhattan Beach already has a comprehensive approach that works for those who are homeless and want help. Manhattan Beach has a dedicated outreach worker, trained police officers, and accesses shelter beds, and MB Safe and nonprofit that assist people who are homeless. In conjunction, the City must enforce laws to address public health and safety related to our public spaces. The presence of encampments has not gone unnoticed in Manhattan Beach. From tents along Sepulveda to individuals living in vehicles, or on public beaches, parks, lawns, lifeguard towers, garages, and some lingering for years. We know that people don't

get better living on the street. We know people die on the street. Looking forward, I would like to understand how the Grants Pass ruling impacts local regulations. Understanding what constitutes camping, we've had a lot of discussions about what camping is and what camping isn't. Do you need a tent to camp? And under local ordinances and how these laws will be enforced. Will enforcement be complaint-driven or proactive? Will it operate around the clock? Clarifying definitions, enforcing strategies, and ensuring safe public spaces that protect the community, our sensitive environment, and sensitive areas like schools and parks will be paramount. Thank you very much, and happy fourth.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you.

SCOTT YANOFSKY: Hello, City Council. My name is Scott Yanofsky. I've been here a couple of times to talk about the 9-11 project. It looks like the city is starting to work on the plaques. They've taken one off. A suggestion that they put a frame around it. And who will I talk to about working with them? Working with the city. Is there any particular person?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: You can address that to Public Works.

SCOTT YANOFSKY: Okay, Also, I'd like to see the city put a camera up there so we can see what goes on middle of the night when people are taking plaques off. Also, I understand that the city, through the Parks, through the Arts Department or

Arts Commission, has a tremendous amount of money available to paint murals all over the city, which are going to have to be repainted, in five years. I would like to see some of that money go towards the 9-11 project to refurbish it. The concrete needs to be sealed, concrete needs to be repaired, and where they're chipped away at it, that needs to be repaired. Also, I'd like to see the consultant's report through the parking lot in City Hall here when they decide to take away the parking from the public and make it all for the city employees and city equipment, because that's a tremendous amount of parking that was lost in one shot. So, if we have a consultant reporting that, I'd like to see that. Also, 6 o'clock in the morning, three days a week, I'm at Noah's Bagel, watching the trash company come. One truck comes, he takes the recycle bin, dumps it in the trash truck, he takes the regular trash, dumps in the trash truck. So why are we separating trash if it's all going in the same place? Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great, thank you. Oh, thank you. Okay, next, anybody else? How about online?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: There's no request on Zoom.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so seeing no others, we're going to close public comments and go on to the consent calendar. We have a motion to approve.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Motion to approve items 2 through 6, Your Honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. And so that's moved by Councilmember Montgomery and then seconded by Councilmember Lesser.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes 5-0.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so we move on. There're no public hearings. Item J. Item K. I think so, sorry. Items, so item A, items removed from the consent calendar, there are none. You're welcome, Liza. Item J, public hearings, there are none. So, item K, general business. So, item number 7 is consideration of a resolution approving an agreement with the Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$67,300 for the North Manhattan Beach Business Improvement District Management and Executive Coordination Services.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Honorable Mayor Franklin, Member of the City Council, George Gabriel, Assistant to the City Manager. I can provide a report if you'd like. Otherwise, I'm available for questions. I would leave it up to your deference. What would you like?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Not for me.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I don't have any questions, Your Honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Any questions? No? Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I have a question.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Oh, I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: George, I wanted to confirm the amount that's held in the parking fund for the benefit of the North Manhattan Beach bid.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: At last, the counting of it, I believe in February, there was about \$350,000 or so in the account.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: So, the proposed amount of this contract is \$60,000. I just want to confirm what the amount of the contract is and the amount of the contribution by the city from the parking fund.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Yeah, the annual assessments are at about \$25,000 per year. It's the estimate that the assessments provide to the parking fund from the businesses. The contract is worth \$6,000-\$7,300. I should note is that that's obviously the maximum value of the contract. We have a contract currently in place, and the contract has only been utilized at about half that clip. So, it's only been utilized at about I think about \$35,000 or so of the \$67,000 value. So, we don't expect that value to be utilized. Obviously, it's not to exceed amount, but it's just to provide the bid more flexibility in case it's needed.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Okay, I asked the question because there's the North MB bid budget that's attached as an attachment, and I just wanted to better understand how this contract's going to impact that budget because was this in the amount budgeted, or is this an add-on?

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Yes, it was.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Okay, Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: No other questions? So, public comments? Unless anybody on here? Martha, Zoom?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: There's no request on Zoom.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so public comments are closed. Council, any discussion? We do have a motion to approve this by Councilmember Montgomery.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Yes, Your Honor. This is a simple function. North Mountain Beach BID taxing themselves 80% of their annual license fee, and they say that \$25,000 a year comes from them, comes from their businesses. So, it's self-taxing. We just hold the money and the parking fund pretty straightforward, and the rest of it, their coordination services, until a non-profit corporation is established, it's pretty straightforward. I'll move to adopt resolution number 24-0080.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, and that's seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes 5-0.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Right there. Great, thank you very much. And moving on to item 8, consideration of resolution approving the proposed fiscal year 2024-2025 Chamber of Commerce Work Plan agreement in the amount of \$29,585. George.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Your Honor, Mayor Franklin, members of the City Council, George Gabriel, assistant to the City Manager. Again, at your deference, I can provide a detailed report if you'd like, but in essence, this report comes back to the City Council on an annual basis. It's the Chamber's Work Plan items. This year it's valued at \$20,585. If you have any more specific questions, I can answer those.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, any questions? Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I have one, and that is listed under local marketing. It's going to be a location analytics and marketing analysis report that's going to utilize artificial intelligence software. What is that?

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: I'd be happy to tell you that. So, there's actually a software out there called Placer AI that the City staff has been utilizing from the Chamber. The City contributes a portion of that contract. And in

essence, what it does is it gathers real-time analytics that are provided by software providers whenever you allow your location to be accessed by certain software developers. Well, Placer AI gathers that data and then puts it in producible reports. And we have been utilizing those reports for special events in order to have a better understanding of how many visitors, how long they spend in the downtown area, travel routes. It's fairly detailed and really interesting and we're at the very beginning precipice of utilizing it. And it's a really helpful tool for not only businesses, the Chamber, but also staff particularly so, you know what's going on at these events particularly.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Open for public comments.

Anybody on Zoom?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: No request on Zoom.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. We'll close public comments.

Colleagues, any questions or discussion?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: I'll make a motion. Your Honor, again. This is the Chamber most you know. The Chamber does more than just welcome new businesses here. They host the Mayor's annual City of the City, which everyone goes to. 400-plus members, I can tell you. Everybody shows up. I think David's done a good job with it, getting it bigger and bigger throughout the whole South Bay. We've profited more money for it

in the past, but they're only asking for \$30,000, which is not to exceed \$29,585, which is fantastic because David's done a good job of bringing outside money, sponsorship in. In the old days, we saw hundreds of thousands of dollars. Remember those days, Bruce? \$100,000 plus from the City, and David's done a good job bringing outside money. So, thank you for that, David. The money you bring from the outside means less City's got to pump in to help you as a partner. So, we appreciate that. So, with that, I'll move to approve resolution number 24-0081.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. And seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Amy Howorth.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yep.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

MAYOR PRO TME HOWORTH: Those were bigger numbers.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Much bigger numbers. I'm not going backwards either.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 5-0.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. So now on to item L, Council City requests and reports, including AB 1234.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Unless Bruce has something. I've got one. Nothing. I've got one. I attended as their guest, it's called the National Association of Latino Elected Official. The layout. And with it for the first time, Councilmember, former Councilmember David Ryu from L.A. is now the executive

director for the Asian American Pacific League, Latinos, I'm sorry, Pacific League. They have their own split-off organization for Asian American Pacific. And everybody from the feds, from Judy Chu to our state officials, even local officials were there. So, they did a combo at the same time. And they were kind enough, Bruce, to waive their registration fees for me to go and attend a double header in the same place, same time. It's amazing when you get done, when you talk to someone one-on-one, there's no staff around. From Muratsuchi to Ted Lieu and everybody with their brother was there. I thought it was great. So, I'm glad we got to represent our city while we're there. And now we know Connexio to come to us and look for actually someone to pay for it. But for now, they waived it. I'm glad I went. And that was it.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: All right. Thank you. Any others? No? Item M, future agenda items. Anybody have any? No?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWRTH: Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes, and I don't know if this is a future agenda item as much as a request through council, of course. But this whole idea of the shuttle, you know, while I appreciate the effort that went into it, the work and collaboration, you know, there are a few reminders here, right? We're talking, I just got it confirmed, there are 56

spaces at the top of Lot 3 that will be missing. The city, some years ago when they put in Metlox, put in double the amount of parking required for Metlox. In fact, quite a bit more than that. And we've added a lot of parking to downtown in conjunction to that. So, there's loss of 56 spaces, which coincidentally I believe is the same as was during outdoor dining, which we did not provide a shuttle for. And so, my problem with shuttles is they're usually very poorly used among folks because it's \$50,000 for the shuttle service. But we're going to have to, my guess is, spend money as well on full-page ads and other things to tell people that it exists, and it's available for them and encourage them to use it. But again, going back to monitoring it, I would like to see this very honestly and strictly monitored so that we know exactly what the ridership is on every day that it's in service because by the time Six-Man comes around, and if those numbers are so, low as to make it not worth its while, then we should cut it off before the end of the contract. Because it's just I don't want to be throwing money at something that no one's going to use. And that's been our experience with shuttles in the past. I hope it's not the experience here, but if it is, then we should make adjustments along the way. That's what I would ask. The direction would be that we monitor what the usage is and that

we're willing to cut it off if need be before, if it's not being used.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: I'll be the second for that, but with the comments need to go along with it. Bruce, we had the right, I mean, I'm glad we did the right thing. We saved it. It was the right call. No doubt about it. Do we have the right to cancel the contract any time with the notice?

CITY MANAGER MOE: I'm waiting - -

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: 30 days, though, right?

CITY MANAGER MOE: Well, I'm waiting to get what that time frame is. It is a very short-term contract to begin with, so I'll try to get you an answer shortly.

COUCNILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: I'll be the second for it so we can find out what it details. But it's a good idea.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I just want to confirm with the city trade, to what extent can we offer direction to the City Manager on this item that's not on the agenda?

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Yeah, you could. I'm like this. You're just telling him to do the metrics. I don't know what that would take. How many hours would that take?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I would simply echo the comments of my colleagues with regard to, one, how are we marketing it, and does that not add cost? Two, what is the ridership so we can

keep track of this, particularly if we're running this thing, and very few people are on it? Some of us on this council have tried shuttles before, and they've been of mixed success, even with a full marketing blitz. So, I commend staff for looking for alternative solutions and trying to do so quickly, given the loss of parking downtown. But on the other hand, a shuttle has always been a mixed proposition.

CITY MANAGER MOE: And to that point, one of the side benefits to the routing that we have for this is that the mall would be one of the stops, because there may be some parking available up there as well. And so there would be the opportunity for people to go from downtown to the mall, as well as people that are utilizing parking.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: The problem is that it just takes it longer.

CITY MANAGER MOE: It's a 20-minute round trip.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: That's a long time for people to want to get downtown.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: So, Mayor, at this time, since it's not on the agenda, Bruce says he can do this. And so, it doesn't need to go through a three-step process. The staff will do the metrics and find out the riders, et cetera.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Yeah, Mayor Pro Tem Howorth.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah. I think that, though, it's more than just the metrics. I mean, I think there's a longer discussion, a broader discussion. And I know that the Downtown Business Association is looking at something or would like to, you know, explore something that's not necessarily through the city, but that, regardless of what's going on, you know, this was not driven by that. I think there should be a, there still should be a discussion. I don't think we should just put it off or just give us the metrics. So, if I may, Mr. Enos, the attorney, and to the two of you, you know, would you still want to have, I think we should still have the discussion. It's not just about, oh, this is \$50,000. Do we want to spend that? I think it's a bigger discussion, yes?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: No.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Because I'll say why. Because this, I know exactly. I already foresee this. We've gone through this before. This isn't the first time. I understand the Downtown wants a shuttle. And we've gone through what iterations those would be because a call service would be a million dollars a year. We had that study. We had that proposal. A shuttle itself, a fixed shuttle, has proven to be something that people don't use because it takes too long. You could park at Pacific or even closer than that and you'll be downtown 10 minutes. If

you're doing a loop of 20 minutes, I don't see that workable. And I'm just going off what our experience has been in the past. We seem to go down this road every decade or so. And you guys can continue to because after December, I won't be the one saying that. We've gone through this before. That's where institutional memory is both a benefit and a burden because.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: That's true.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yeah. But again, we're doing the same things. If there's efficiencies or something like that, great. But this is specific to this. I understand. But keeping those metrics is important so you can see whether folks would be using this because if you're hitting the high point of summer with reduced parking downtown, then you'll know when people are going to use a shuttle more than any other time probably. And if this isn't successful, then yeah, it's an indicator. But keep the metrics.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Do it. But no, I get the... But do I want to do a broader discussion of a shuttle in the future as well? No.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Because I think that costs a lot of money. I think that's going to take a whole lot of effort. And, you know, there's downtown, but there's north end.

There's the mall. Where does it stop? Where's that? Fixed point shuttle service from Herman years ago to other things, it's been tried three different times and failed each time.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, giving no opinions, et cetera. I'll just leave it with. That's great. Now I understand. I would say certain things are worth revisiting every five or ten years because technologies change, patterns change, and who knows? But I'm fine not bringing it up for a future agenda at this moment. Just wanted to clarify. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Sure. And then, so I just have a quick question. Which lot is it exactly at Pacific schools? Is it the one off of 17th?

CITY MANAGER MOE: 17th and Pacific.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

CITY MANAGER MOE: Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Is it going to be monitored? Is someone going to be there determining who comes in and how and anything like that?

CITY MANAGER MOE: Don't believe so. I think it'll just be signed.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: It's a lot of construction taking place.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I was just going to say, there's a lot of construction going on there. There's like three major huge homes being built. And who's going to keep those construction workers off the street and not going in there? So, we may lose some there. So that's just the point I wanted to.

CITY MANAGER MOE: And if I can clarify, I jumped the gun on the mall stop. It's not part of the original plan yet. But if we were to have parking at the mall in addition to other locations, then that would be a stop. But as it stands right now, it's just 10th and Manhattan and the Civic Center and then the parking lot.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Well, it's not really having parking at the mall. Its people will park at the mall who want to go to the mall, and then they might want to jump on that to go downtown as well.

CITY MANAGER MOE: True. But that's I just want to clarify, it's not part of the plan right now.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Was that your position to speak?

COUCNILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I have no idea anymore.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, Councilmember Montgomery.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I exceed my time.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: For the record, I want to clarify the group I talked about, Asian Pacific American Leadership Foundation, because I got it messed up. That was the

sister of Nalayo. This is a new group by the former LA Council Member David Ryu, Asian Pacific American Leadership Foundation. So, I know it's a lot. But I didn't say it correctly the first time. So, for the record, that's what it was. Asian Pacific American Leadership Foundation. There. I'm good.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Moving on to City Manager Report.

CITY MANAGER MOE: No report tonight. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. City Attorney Report.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Nothing tonight.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Informational items. None. Minutes. And then. So, we are going to adjourn into the closed session.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: We're actually going to... Yes. We're going to reconvene. We'll adjourn. We'll take a recess on the 6 o'clock meeting and reconvene the 5 o'clock meeting.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Thank you.

[Council recessed into Closed Session]

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Thank you. We're leaving Closed Session and City Attorney Barrow, you have a statement to make.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Yes, I do have an announcement. The City Council went back into Closed Session on the items identified on the five o'clock agenda. They gave direction to

the City Manager and the City Attorney. At this time, it would be appropriate to adjourn the five o'clock meeting and then reconvene the six o'clock meeting.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. So we adjourn the five o'clock meeting and come back to the six o'clock meeting. And we're going to adjourn - -

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: At this time, yes, we'll be adjourning to four thirty on the sixteenth, July 16th.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: July 16th.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Go ahead and adjourn.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. It's adjourned.