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CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
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MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you so much. Well, welcome to the City Council regular meeting for Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 06:00 p.m. May we have the pledge to the flag? We have three lovely young ladies. We have Sullivan Melville, Stella Yates, and Kennedy Dresie to help us from American Martyrs. Young ladies, do you want to come up here? There you go. How are you? Good to see you. Hello. Hello. Hello. Hello. Oh no, there's no one, just the three of you. Okay, so you can stand over here, and I'm going to hold the microphone in front of you, and there's our flag. You can go ahead and start whenever you're ready.

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: Well, that was terrific. Thank you so much. Well, I want everybody out here to learn a little bit about you. So why don't you go ahead and start? Say your name and your grade and your school.

KENNEDY DRESIE: What do I say? So I say my name first?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah, sure, go ahead.

KENNEDY DRESIE: My name is Kennedy.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Kennedy, what grade are you in?

KENNEDY DRESIE: And I'm in first grade.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay and what school?

KENNEDY DRESIE: I'm in St. James.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: And what are your favorite things to do at school?

KENNEDY DRESIE: I like to do recess.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. And how about you?

SULLIVAN MELVILLE: My name is Sullivan. I'm in second grade. I go to American Martyrs. And my favorite thing at recess is playing with my friends.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: And what do you play at recess?

SULLIVAN MELVILLE: I usually play tag.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Tag? Okay. Like tag, you're it. Right. Oh, good. That's good. You run around a lot. And then, how about you? What's your name and your grade and your favorite thing to do at school?

STELLA YATES: Hi, my name is Stella, and I'm in second grade, and I go to American Martyrs. And my favorite thing to do is math.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Math. Oh, that's terrific. Well, great. Well, thank you so much for coming today. We've got a

little something for you. And we've got Mayor Pro Tem. She usually helps me with this. You got that? Okay.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We have some bling. These are official City pins.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay and we also have Certificate of Recognition. And Kennedy, because we didn't know you were coming, we'll make one of these up and get it to you, okay? But it's a certificate of recognition that the City Council, the City of Manhattan Beach, does hereby recognize Sullivan Melville for leading the City Council and the community in the Pledge of Allegiance. So, Sullivan, thank you. And then, Stella. There you go. And like I said, we'll get one to you, okay? So, you can show it to everybody at class. So, you see, my fellow Councilmembers over here, they love it when kids come here because we all get our pictures taken with you.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Picture with you guys. Is that okay? Okay, why don't you guys step down here and we'll stand behind you.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Scoot down here. So you're away from the chairs. Come over here guys.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I'd like to play tag again one day. Okay, so the other thing I'd like to do is to recognize the veterans that are here with us today in the City Council Chambers. So, if there's any veterans who've served in any

branch of the military reserve, whatever, if you could please stand and we can recognize you for your service. And there we go. Thank you, sir. Great. Terrific. Thank you. And, Martha, may we have a roll call? Now, do you want to make an announcement about, Councilmember Montgomery is not with us?

CITY CLERK TAMURA: But Councilmember Montgomery is absent.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Is absent?

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Is absent today. Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so he is listening and trying to. But he's absent or not even.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: He's not zoomed in.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: No. Okay, so he's absent. So, have a roll call, please.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Here.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Napolitano.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Here.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Montgomery is absent.
Mayor Pro Tem Howorth.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Present.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Franklin.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Here. Okay, so the ceremonial calendar. Do we have any items today for the ceremonial

calendar? No. Okay, moving on to the approval of agenda and waiver a full reading of ordinances. Oh, yes.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah, I'd like to pull item number seven.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Number seven, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Your honor, number four.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. So, we can, let's have a vote for approval of the agenda and waiver full reading of ordinances with the exceptions of item number seven and number four.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: So moved.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: And a second?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yep, I seconded.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Second.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Does it not show? Oh, Joe --

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I got to go to the other one?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Oh, sorry. Yep, got it. Thank you.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I did the same.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Thank you.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 4-0-1.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, terrific. And City Council and community organization announcements of upcoming events, 1 minute per person. If you could please make your way down so you can be in the on-deck circle, we'd appreciate it.

JOHN HUGUENIN: Good evening. My name is John Huguenin. I've been a resident of Manhattan Beach for over 42 years. I want to make you aware of a play being performed in Manhattan Beach regarding the female veterans of the Vietnam War. The producer is Carol Patterson. She's a member of your Cultural Arts Commission. The play, a piece of my heart, is a true drama that focuses on the lives of three nurses, one USO entertainer, one Red Cross worker, and one officer. All are females. It focuses on their heroic roles in the front lines of combat during the war, dealing with trauma and saving lives. And then it covers how poorly they were treated when they returned home after the war. They were not recognized as veterans. The play will be in the auditorium at Manhattan Beach Community Church just north of Mira Costa High School. As you can see, there are. It's kind of hard to read, but there are two full weekends in October and then a special Veterans Day performance scheduled for November 10 at 02:00 p.m. on the 10th. All veterans and active military are invited, free of charge. I have some flyers if anyone is interested. Thank you for your time. Any questions? Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you.

JOHN HUGUENIN: And I'll leave a few of them just up here outside.

LIBRARY MANAGER MURRAY: Hi, good evening, Mayor and members of the council. My name is Josh Murray. I'm here on behalf of Manhattan Beach Library. On Thursday, October 10 from four to 05:00 p.m. the teens are invited to learn the history of sushi making and explore traditional techniques by making their very own sushi version of candy in traditional nigiri and maki rolls. A list of ingredients will be provided upon request. This is a teen program and registration is available on our website, lacountylibrary.org. I'd also like to remind the community that we will be closed. The library will be closed on Monday, October 14. In honor of Indigenous Peoples Day. We will reopen at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 15. And I thank you for your time.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, Josh. I feel like I'm at Dodger stadium.

DAVE FRATELLO: Mayor Franklin and members of the council and members of the public. My name is Dave Fratello. I'm here tonight in my capacity as Publisher of NB News. We are pleased to announce a candidate forum featuring all six candidates for City Council, which will feature audience questions. The forum will be Thursday evening, October 17, from 07:00 p.m. to 08:30 p.m. at the small theater at Mira Costa, just across from the large auditorium. Sponsors of this candidate forum include MB News. We are now kicking off our celebration of ten years online as your reliable, 100% local

Manhattan Beach news source at thembnews.com. And we are co-sponsored for this forum with the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce and the League of Women Voters of the Beach Cities. The league will moderate the forum and they will present questions present submitted by audience members. So please come. The room will fit up to 300 people. Bring your questions and we'll look forward to seeing everyone there again. It's Thursday, October 17, 7:00 to 08:30 p.m. at the small theater at Mira Costa. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, Dave.

JILL MCCURRY: Good evening. My name is Jill McCurry and I'm with the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce. I'm on the board there. Thank you for having us, Mayor Franklin and Councilmembers. I am announcing that the chamber of Commerce's next mixer is going to be at the newly opened Hook & Plow in Manhattan Beach. And that is going to be on Wednesday the 16th. And that is a day that recently Mayor Franklin issued a proclamation to call it the Chamber of Commerce Day. So how appropriate that we're going to have a mixer that evening, and everyone is invited. We also want to announce that we have a women's summit coming up on Friday, November 8. And we are doing this in conjunction with the Redondo Beach Chamber. And there's more information on our website. It's going to be Friday, November 8, and then also there's information on the website

about the New Young Entrepreneurs Academy, which is kicking off, open to middle school and high school students in the South Bay. I did it in less than a minute. And then also we can start my timer over because I want to invite my friend down. Shelby Russell is going to, is organizing an event that's going to be hosted at Manhattan Village Shopping Center, and he's going to share more about that right now.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, Jill.

SHELBY RUSSELL: Good evening. Thanks for the opportunity to speak with you today. My name is Shelby Russell. I'm the founder of Manhattan Beach Food and Wine. We have the inaugural event coming up next week, next Friday and Saturday, which we're very excited about. We have 50 of the best chefs throughout North America coming to the event and why we chose Manhattan Beach. Obviously, Manhattan beach is an amazing community. There's a great culinary scene. And so, there's not a more deserving place to do a world class culinary event than Manhattan beach. And so, you can see on the last slide, there are some of the chefs that are coming into town. A lot of them are food network type chefs, celebrity chefs, but they're all amazing chefs. And then we're also highlighting on the next slide, we're also highlighting a lot of local amazing chefs. So, we have David Lefebvre Burr. We have Chris Feldmeyer with Love and Stall. We have Brendan Collins with Boa Steakhouse. And so,

we have several local chefs. So, we want to highlight the local chefs, but also bring these amazing chefs to the community. We hope to be a positive impact for years to come. And we've got a fantastic partner in Manhattan Village. We've got a great space there. It's an outdoor space that will be beautiful. That's at the end of the greenbelt. And so, people that live in Manhattan Beach along the green belt can walk to the event, essentially, but it's next Friday, Saturday opening night and a grand tasting. So, we have tickets still on sale. If anyone's interested, it's manhattanbeachfoodandwine.com, and I have some flyers to share if anyone's interested. But look forward to seeing all at the event. And if you're interested in talking more about it, I'm glad to answer any questions. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Well, thank you.

SHELBY RUSSELL: Appreciate it.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Good luck.

SHELBY RUSSELL: Thank you.

BOBBY BELL: Honorable Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, City Councilmembers, city officials, Jeff. My name is Bobby Bell. I am the WM Recycling Coordinator dedicated to the beautiful City of Manhattan Beach. Couple quick announcements. This weekend, with the hometown fair going on, the Public Works Department has been kind enough to let me share their table. That's going to be in front of the Joslyn Center, where I will be giving out

information on home organic buckets. If they haven't received one, I'd be happy to sign them up and give them one there. And then in two weeks, on Saturday, October 12, we have our last composting class of the year. It's held at the botanical gardens up at Polliwog Park. Learn all about composting at home. Get discounted worm bins. That's all I got. Wish you guys a blessed evening.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Luckily, Richard's not here to give you a hard time.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: He's listening.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: We'll get him the recording.

FIRE MARSHAL SHIN: Good evening, Mayor Franklin, Councilmembers. My name is Kevin Shin. I'm the new Fire Marshal succeeding Kevin Bass, who recently retired. Tonight, I'd like to provide a brief update on fire prevention week, which begins on the 7th of this month. This year's theme is smoke detectors, make them work for you. The focus is on maintaining, testing, and replacing old detectors, ten years or older. As you know, every October during Fire Safety week, we conduct presentations for second graders discussing fire safety messages. We emphasize the importance of early notification by smoke alarms to ensure safe evacuation during a fire. This year, we've added Sparky, the prevention dog, to our presentation. We recently acquired Sparky suit. He's been quite a hit. We'll also be releasing

social media posts regarding fire safety and this year's focus on smoke alarms.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I have a question, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes, please.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: What if, let's say you live in a home and your fire alarm is, you know, going off because the battery needs to be changed, but it's in one of those really high ceilings, and you don't have a ladder that's tall enough? What do you do?

FIRE MARSHAL SHIN: That's a good question. So generally, you would try to find. Maybe a contractor that can safely get up there and do that. I wouldn't recommend trying to make shift the ladder to access that, but probably handyman contractors, something like that. That could probably come out. There are alarm companies you could call that have the equipment to do that. But --

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Like, wow. Okay. I mean, it's really hard if you're living, you know, and you don't have a ladder and you guys have ladders, but we shouldn't call you guys. All right.

FIRE MARSHAL SHIN: Yes.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: That's what I was getting at.

FIRE MARSHAL SHIN: Not in the scope, but yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I think you would pitch in.

FIRE MARSHAL SHIN: But yeah, I would be careful with that.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah, I won't spread that. Don't call the Fire Department.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great.

FIRE MARSHAL SHIN: Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. Appreciate it. Okay, anybody else for public comment or for community announcements? No. Okay. I want to bring in Liza Tamura, our City Clerk, who has an announcement.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Thank you, honorable Mayor, members of the City Council. We did get in contact with Councilmember Montgomery. He is on Zoom. He is in the address listed on the agenda in Mexico. So, we will record him as late, not absent.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, great. Thank you. And then there was a request by Councilmember Montgomery to move agenda item, the outdoor dining agenda item.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Pilot Program.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: The pilot program to switch agenda item number ten with agenda item number nine, the lot three parking structure. So, to do agenda item number ten first.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Does he want to order? Was he asking to continue that to another meeting?

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: So, we're checking with him right now because he's got an hour before he has to go to the airport. So, we're checking with him now. If he wants to do that, first. There would be a motion to reconsider approval of the agenda and then rearrange the order of the agenda. And hopefully he's, you'll get to it while he's still in attendance.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, great. So --.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Check to make sure he's there.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Motion to reconsider the approval of the agenda.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Is he there, though?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: I'm here.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Hi, Richard.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: You got one applause right here.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, do we want to, did you hear what we were proposing?

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Richard, would you like to do outdoor dining before lot three?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Yes, please.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: So, is there a motion to reconsider approval of the agenda?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yes. So moved.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, we have a motion to accept by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth and seconded by Mayor Franklin.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Question, though, Mr. City Attorney, we also pulled two items from the consent, so we would do the --.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Outdoor dining first.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: First. And then those. So, we can get his thoughts on that. Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: And that would be the second motion.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We're still going to do public comments, though?

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Yes, there'll be public comment, but there needs to be a second motion to rearrange. And so, we'll have the outdoor dining first, then the balance of the consent calendar --.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: --and lot three.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, we've done this one first and we do that one.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Is there a motion to that effect?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, first we have the motion.

We have to vote on this motion.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Oh, okay. I thought you did.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Voting screen.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Oh okay.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Oh, because he's traveling.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Lesser?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Napolitano?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Montgomery?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Pro Tem Howorth?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Franklin?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 5-0.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: So, at this time, is there a motion to have ten first, then the balance of the consent calendar, and then item nine, which is lot three?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I have made that motion. I need a second.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I'll second that. So, we have a motion to accept by Amy Howorth and seconded by Mayor Franklin. Sorry, Mayor Pro Tem Howorth.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Montgomery?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Pro Tem Howorth?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Franklin?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Lesser?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Napolitano?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 5-0.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, I think we got it. All right, so let's move on to public comments. Public comments are limited to three minutes per person. If you comment here, you cannot comment on the during the public comments for an agenda item. And if you can all make your way down, whoever wants to make public comments, please come on down.

LARRY ZIMBALIST: Am I leading on?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: There we go.

LARRY ZIMBALIST: Hello, Mayor Franklin, City Council. Good evening. My name is Larry Zimbalist, and I'm very proud to

be the Chairman of the Committee to repair Manhattan Beach Schools to measure RLS. Vote yes on RLS. But tonight, I'm here to speak on behalf of measure MMB, the city sales tax. I really like measure MMB, and I'm going to tell you all some of the reasons why I like what it returns to the community. 60% of this tax will be paid by visitors. 100% will be paid on Manhattan Beach capital improvements, fixing infrastructure like parking lot three. MMB is estimated to raise \$5.3 million per year. Our city will be able to tackle issues like outdoor dining, creating community space for our seniors at the Joslyn Center, meeting space at Manhattan Heights. Roads and sidewalks will be improved. E-bike safety enforcement will increase. Manhattan Beach sales tax is the lowest in Los Angeles County. Hawthorne pays 10.25%, as does Culver City and Carson. The State of California retail sales tax limit is ten and a quarter. If we do not pass measure MB and keep the five-cent sales tax increase local, Los Angeles County can one day pass a future ballot measure that claims this five cents and claims the \$5.3 million that it represents for themselves. I guarantee you that LA County won't be funding the Scout House renovations. Local control is essential to addressing our infrastructure needs. The amount of money getting specific this sales tax increase amounts to 50 cents per \$100, \$5 per \$1000. Importantly, necessities like groceries and medicines are exempt from sales tax. There

will be no increase to the cost of these essentials. Financial flexibility, knowing the \$5.3 million will be coming into the city year after year, will allow Manhattan Beach tackle capital improvement projects much more aggressively and increase the quality of life in Manhattan Beach at a more rapid pace. The longer delays, the higher the cost of these improvements. The City Council and all council candidates are behind measure MMB. In conclusion, not all taxes are the same. A tax that is 60% paid by visitors, a tax that keeps \$5.3 million under local control, a tax that expedites city improvements, isn't a tax. It's a way forward. It's an opportunity. So yes, vote yes on measure MMB. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you so much. He's hired.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah.

UNIDENTIFIED PUBLIC COMMENTER: Good evening, honorable Mayor and Councilmembers. I'm requesting that you take item number six in the consent calendar and talk about it publicly. When I read through that, I noticed that it's a \$350,000 change order. We talk about smaller numbers here. This seems like one that'd be worthy. I think it probably makes sense to do it, but I think it makes sense also to share that with the public, what that is at that amount. In addition, it sounded like that project was coming to a close and it was something that started in 2010 or something like that, a long time ago with a big

number. If that's the case, it might be something to celebrate and really be happy about, but it would be really nice to know what that status is. I'd appreciate if we get some public discussion on that. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you, sir. If you can get everybody who's going to make a public comment, come on down. There's an on-deck circle.

JOAN MUELLER: Okay, first of all, my name is Joan Mueller. I live at 1220 Ardmere, Manhattan beach, and I'm here to thank you for putting the parking permits on the agenda. I was here a couple weeks ago. The word on the street is out. Free parking all day long. As I've said before, parking has always been an issue, but now it's going to be impossible again for residents to have a chance at parking for friends or family. I would love to see the council vote for a workable solution for all involved with the two-hour parking. I saw cars coming and going. I see them carrying on packages. I assume they're eating out. That's what I thought. As I mentioned, maybe a compromise would be three-hour parking. That would give people a longer time to shop and eat and there will be places to park then because it won't be completely jammed with the people that work. Stay there all day. I realize that parking is an issue, but I don't think the residents should have to be the ones to suffer because we live near downtown without parking permits. Cars can

park in front of our homes. They can uber to LAX. They can stay there for three days, but unless somebody calls about the car, they can stay there another three days. So, we've seen it happen in the past. I've talked to different neighbors and residents and many have the opinion that it's a waste of time to come here and voice our opinions. Some have said the city doesn't care about our parking problem and has already made up their minds about what they will do. But I'll tell you what, I don't believe it. That's why I'm here. I feel you do care what the impact to the residents are and are open to resolve this problem in a fair way. I love Manhattan Beach and I love where I live. I implore you to please put yourselves in our situation and create a reasonable parking limit. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you, Joan.

SUZANNE LERNER: Good evening. I'd like your new sign. I agree with this lady about parking. Downtown residents have no parking. I'm really glad to hear that you actually have some. I'm Suzanne Lerner and live in downtown Manhattan Beach and I do support most of the businesses downtown. Groceries, framers, shoe repair, clothing, of course, and restaurants. But I am opposed to this pilot program for outdoor patio dining, outdoor dining and transformation of our streets by shrinking the width of the streets, which I think about fire engines. They're 10ft each. 10ft, 10ft, 20, leaves you only 14ft between parked cars

for any emergency vehicles to get in and out and around and for people to get out with stretchers. Increasing density for people, employees, traffic, pollution, roaches, continuous truck deliveries at all hours of the day and night and lack of parking for the residents themselves has impacted us. Testing the waters by spending \$136,000 to allow three restaurants to have outdoor dining when there has not been any decisions on some of the issues that we're addressing is like taking the cart before the horse. The outdoor dining task force is composed of 15 people out of 35,000 residents. And it appears they hold a huge sway over the council. One owns four restaurants downtown and only one is a downtown resident. And it really impacts downtown residents more than anyone else. Has the City Council considered who's responsible to pay for this \$20 million budget that has been considered by your staff? It's going to cost us to fund the program. If it's approved, will there be a bond, new taxes? Restaurants themselves perhaps could pay? I think they've been getting pretty much a free ride with sidewalk dining. And how will the funds be raised? And I want to also bring up amplified music because it does really bother the downtown residents. And I just see, I just want you to preserve our small-town character. I think that's why everybody comes to live here. They rent here, they like it. And I think people that live not downtown really don't have much consideration for the residents.

They think, too bad you moved downtown. When we lived downtown, we came with the ordinances that were in place which protected the residents and had that intersection between downtown residents and commercial businesses. And I love living downtown. So, I just want you to consider that. Thank you so much. I'm sorry I'm going early, but I'm wiped out day, so I'll watch from home. Thank you so much.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. Any more public comments? Here in Chambers? Seeing none will go online. Anything on Zoom?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: Julie McGinnity.

JULIE MCGINNITY: Good evening, Mayor and Councilmembers. I'm Julie Justice McGinnity from friends of senior and Scout Community Center. I am here representing the friends of senior and Scout community center who are partnering with the city to build the new intergenerational community center on the site of the Scout house in Live Oak Park. When not in use by the city's older adult program, or scouts, this facility will provide much needed additional meeting and programming space for all community-based organizations in the city. First, we want to thank each of you for your ongoing support of this project and just provide a quick update tonight on all the work that we've been doing since last April. In July, the Department of Public Works received a construction cost estimate from Paul Hanson Engineering. This estimate was based

on the Tomorrow design team submitted plans of April 2024, and those plans provided much greater level of detail than the site plan and the elevations that were used to create the construction estimate provided by Delamo Construction when you reviewed that in March of 2023. So, we've worked through the remainder of this summer and fall on what they call a value engineering process to reduce the cost of construction while maintaining our existing square footage. The building's functionality and the exterior and interior aesthetics. The Tomorrow design team will be submitting a 100% designed plans early next month, which reflect all this work that we've been doing on value engineering, the updates and changes that have been agreed to by friends and the city staff. So, this final set of plans will provide the level of specificity needed to create an even more accurate construction estimate to bring to the council and, ultimately, to support the public bidding process and a construction phase with the least amount of change orders possible. So, we want to continue to commend the work of our partner and Public Works department lead, Magenta Lakowska, who is very dedicated to bringing this much needed community facility to life. This is a true public private partnership, and together we are going to get this thing done. The second thing I'd like to do is invite you and anyone listening tonight to stop by our hometown fair booth. This weekend. We will be right

next to the city older adult program booth in front of Joslyn Center. Our board members and volunteers will be there to answer questions and to encourage everyone to be part of this effort. It's not too late to add your name permanently to the donor wall, purchase a personalized courtyard brick for your family or business. You can learn more or donate to this worthwhile community effort by going to mbcommunitycenter.org. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, Julie.

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: Next is Heather Kim.

HEATHER KIM: I'm here. Hi.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: We can hear you.

HEATHER KIM: Yes, thank you. I just wanted to let the community know once again about a shoplifter named Chandler who frequents our downtown businesses. And last week, we had an incident with him. You know, he stole some stuff and he was aggressive with our employees. Police were called, but unfortunately, the police force was unable to capture him. Meanwhile, there have been reports from other business owners about him harassing their customers as well on the same day. This makes me think that there is just not enough police presence downtown if this is happening to so many of us. And I texted the officer the next morning, and they were unable to locate him, and yet he's been creating havoc all Wednesday last week. So, I would really request that there be a lot more

visible police presence downtown. Foot patrols, just whatever we need to do. Because as a business owner, I don't feel particularly very safe or like, you know, they have my back right now. So, that's one request. At the same encounter with the police officers as he was taking my report for this crime, I just passed by our homeless, a known homeless man in town named Rusty, and he usually hangs out by the kettle, and he had all his things sprawled out there. Unfortunately, even though it looked like for a moment he had accepted services, I don't know what happened and he came back to town. And the problem is that every single person who enables Rusty and other homeless people by giving them money and food are contributing to this problem because they have not hit the rock bottom that they need to accept services. You have to, as someone said, allow them into services, and that means let the homeless liaison through the city do their job, report them so that they can have encounters with them that will really encourage them. But this is not going to work. You cannot put everything on MB safe. They are a great organization, but it has to be a carrot and stick approach. Why is MBPD not enforcing the anti-camping ordinances that are here now, that is backed by Supreme Court? You cannot put everything on MB safe's shoulders. They are angels, but they can't do it all. You can only offer them so many carrots, but without the stick, nothing's going to work. We are not going to see any

improvement. We are going to be known as a place that you can go because there's a lot of rich folks who feel bad and will give you high fives and \$5. So, we really have to think about all the problems that we are creating, thinking that we're doing it out of the kindness of our hearts, but we are not. But we have to relook at how we handle our homeless problem. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you for your comment.

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: There's no additional comments, but Councilmember Montgomery wants to provide some comments.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, sure.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Mayor, council colleagues, residents, staff, my apologies in getting there late. I am in Mexico City here with the presidential inauguration. I thought I'd be getting back a little earlier. Thank you all for your patience and flexibility. I'll hang as long as I can. And especially for the item sort of outdoor dining, want everybody to know that and I'll stand by. Thank you, your honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Thank you, Richard. Let me see. So, after that, we'll close public comments, and per our earlier discussion, we will go to item number ten.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Before that, there should be a motion to approve the consent calendar --.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Oh, okay.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: -- with the exception of those two items called three and six, I think.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Four and seven.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Four and seven, yeah.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah. One off, one off.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: You're still jet lagged, I imagine.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: There has been a move made by Councilmember. I'm sorry, Mayor Pro Tem Howorth. And seconded by Councilmember Lesser.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: That's approval, minus items four and seven.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Napolitano?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Montgomery?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Lesser?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Franklin?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Pro Tem Howorth?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yep.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 5-0.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, now we can move on to item number ten. Or for you, Richard, DS. item number DS.

ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR HEISE: All right. Good evening, honorable Mayor and Councilmembers. I'd like to have introduced Jaehee Yoon, a senior planner, to take care of this item on the pilot project for the outdoor dining.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Thank you, honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers. I'm Senior Planner Jaehee Yoon and the item before you is to consider partially implementing the city outdoor dining program pilot project. To provide you with some background, back in February of this year, staff presented the second status update report which introduced the preferred program vision along with the conceptual plan that consists of the sidewalk widening concept where we'll allow outdoor dining to occur immediately adjacent to establishments and providing a clear path of travel for pedestrians. It also included parking configuration to convert parallel to angle parking spaces or vice versa, and lastly, identification of potential outdoor dining and public flex space areas throughout downtown and North Manhattan Beach. We took this concept during July to all the businesses that were included in the conceptual plan, and based on our initial outreach, a vast majority of them were very interested in proceeding with this preferred vision. However, since the implementation of the preferred program vision will

require considerable time and resources, the city may consider testing out the concept through a pilot project, as seen in this example, where the existing sidewalk has been widened using a modular system that can be customized per street and easily installed and removed at a fraction of the cost of making permanent improvements. In selecting the pilot project site, which came down to Manhattan Avenue between center Place and Manhattan Beach Boulevard, staff considered several factors which include that the terrain be relatively flat so no additional engineering is needed that there are multiple different businesses that can take part so we can receive greater feedback that the entire block can be continuously widened so there are no bull belts in between, and that there will be no net loss of parking along the street section. There will be three parallel spaces in front of the establishments that will be removed, but they will be added at the opposite side of adjacent to Chase bank by converting parallel to angled parking spaces. And by doing so, the northbound street lane along Manhattan Avenue will continue to align in width with that fronting MB post. If we implement the pilot project, the work scope will include installing the modular system at the existing ten-foot wide sidewalk by an additional 8ft, and public works improvements will include restriping the roadway, removing and relocating parking meters, and reconfiguring the parking spaces.

Also, it includes leveling the existing sidewalk dining sidewalk areas to accommodate for the eight-foot wide sidewalk dining that will dedicate to those restaurants and also building an ADA transition ramp at the north end of the block. In July, staff presented the pilot project concept to the task force, which they unanimously supported and based on discussions, they recommended that if we allowed the pilot project, it should remain in place for one full year in order for us to test out the various periods and months throughout the year. Incorporate a QR code on sites such as the planter boxes so we can inform the public of the pilot project and receive feedback, and then implement the proposed sidewalk dining regulations to the fullest extent possible to truly evaluate the program and lastly, considering a different material for the transition ramp between the existing sidewalk and the wood panels as it may get too heated during summer months. The pilot project site is located within the city's coastal zone and therefore requires a coastal development permit, and in speaking with the coastal commission, they have been supported of the effort. The cost to implement the pilot project is estimated to be \$136,605, which includes the modular system, public works improvements, as well as routine maintenance activities during the trial period. All three establishments that can take part in the pilot project have expressed interest in doing so and also agreed to a

slightly increased sidewalk dining use fee, as they'll be directly benefiting from an enhanced outdoor dining experience and environment. Currently, Tacolicious, and Nando have active sidewalk dining permits where the city collects approximately \$260 a month. Under the pilot project trial period, that amount will increase to \$1,568 a month. Recognizing that there are other major projects in the city competing for resources such as parking lot three, staff is seeking City Council's direction on partially implementing the long-term outdoor dining program pilot project. And if the City Council desires to move forward, staff will return with a resolution to adopt the pilot project CDP and request to approve the necessary funds. This concludes staff's presentation, and we're happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Colleagues, questions? Yeah, I'm sorry, it's obscured.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: You have to use this.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, Mayor Pro Tem?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Mayor. A couple questions on the page that shows the diagonal striping on the east side of the street. I wouldn't. Was that solution considered outside of this project to restripe and line that street through? We could add more parking there. Do we know if

that has been considered outside of this particular pilot proposal?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: I would go to our Traffic Engineer.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I mean, it's a little bit beyond this, but then I do have a couple other questions. Hello, Mr. Zandvliet.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Good evening, Mayor Pro Tem. My name is Eric Zandvliet, city traffic engineer. The simple answer is yes. And we are including that in our lot three alternative parking options. It's in process.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay, great. So, this is something that will probably happen regardless?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Correct.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay, so number two. Question number two. It looks, and maybe it's just the drawings, but if I look at the page, it's 211 of 272, but it's in the schematics. It looks like the sidewalk, or is it the deck? It's hard to tell. Is higher than the actual restaurant level? Like, doesn't it? It's not?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: It should be level.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay. I was like, that's kind of odd. Thank you. And then the last question is the materials that are going to be used here to create this pilot, you know,

situation, are they then, let's say, in a year, everybody loves it. We love it. Everybody loves it. Would that just be the material going forward or would it be something else that was used to recreate that?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: If we would, if the city desires to move forward with permanent improvements, it would become concrete. So, we'll have to take out the modular system.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay. Thank you. That's all I have, your honor. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Councilmember Napolitano.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Thank you, your honor. So, why do we need a pilot project? Do we not know what outdoor dining is now?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: I can respond to that. The idea was that the community would be able to test out the narrowing of the street, the widening of the sidewalks, and the placement of the sidewalk dining up against the businesses with the pedestrian walkway on the other side, closer to the vehicular street, and really the narrowing of the street width.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: So, we're going to test them walking on the other side. Rhetorical. All right, so what does it mean? Outdoor dining rules to the fullest extent possible?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: During the past year and a half, the task force has discussed multiple different aspects of

outdoor dining, some related to private property, outdoor dining, second floor outdoor dining, and some related to sidewalk dining. And we've come up with some provisions that are different from what we have today in our municipal code. And that's what we wanted to test out as well as part of the pilot project.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: But there's no list of those here in this.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: It's not listed here. But when we come back with another status report, we did want to present all the task force recommendations.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: See, that's just as far as staff. You're asking for approval of something that would go beyond the status report, something that's actually going to be built. And so be very informative for everybody, not just council we know what the rules are, but for public to have those as part of the report. The other is, what is the delineation of the dining areas? How is that going to work out? Are there going to be, because I didn't see any fences or pony walls or anything like that to delineate where the, how big they are to avoid the creep into what is supposed to be a clear walkway, which was the problem with having it on the sidewalk before.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: So, when we reached out to the establishments, one of the other requirements other than the

sidewalk dining use fee was having a temporary barrier that they can easily put out and remove at the end of their day when they're not under operations. So, it could be something like those poles with ropes extension.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Right. But again, those seem to move and increase the seating area depending on who puts them up and when. So, is there going to be something permanently drilled there? These are the ones they're going to have to put in at all times.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: We could, if the council wanted to move in that direction, that's absolutely something that could be accommodated.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: And these are just the things that don't sound like they've been worked out yet. What amount? Why aren't the restaurants putting any money towards the modular unit themselves for the space that they're going to be taking up with the dining area? I get the, not the whole walkway, not the sidewalk. But when we had this discussion about expanding the sidewalk and what it would cost and what it would cost the city, we were very specific at that time saying no for the dining pads, since it's a direct benefit to the restaurant, they should be paying for that portion of it. So, I don't know why that's not being looked at here.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: One thing we could consider is going back and figuring out if we were to divvy up the cost amongst the three restaurants and go back to them and talk to them one more time, see if they would be willing to take on that cost. We can do that and report back to council and see what the response is.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Because I don't know why the public would be doing that right now. All right, thank your honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. So, I'm up next. Can you give us an idea of how many seats? This is the, as proposed would provide for each restaurant.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: It would be between twelve to 14 seats in addition to what they currently have. So, outside in the sidewalk dining area, it would be between 12 to 14 per establishment.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: 12 to 14.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: If I may your honor, that sounds more than what we were told about during the discussion about permanent outdoor dining. It was in the neighborhood of eight to twelve.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: Depending on the establishment, but we've kept it in a similar range.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. So, we have approval or consent from the three restaurants, so they're tenants. Have we spoken to the person who owns the building and whether or not they're behind this? If we do come up with a formula where we're going to be charging them for it, are they on board with it?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: We haven't specifically been in contact with the property owners for these three establishments, but in a larger scale of outreach that we did to seek the interest of the 36 establishments included in the conceptual plan, I did come across two property owners, and they were very interested in supporting their tenants.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. But are they--.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Orally?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Is it this property owner? I think it's one owner, right? That owns all three restaurants. Okay.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: It's one building.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. I mean, at a minimum, I think if we're going to be altering this person's property, we need to get their consent or approval.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: We're not altering their property.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: City property.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: You know, the whole concept.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: I mean, yeah. Again, it's the city property we would be altering, not their property.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. I mean, do we want their consent? We're just going to go ahead and be like, someone comes to my home and builds something on my driveway. I mean, I think we need to talk to.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: Staff can continue to attempt to reach out to. To the property owner.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, let's see. I know this was. This spot was picked because of its, you know, it seemed pretty relatively straightforward. We talked about the parking. How is that adjustment of the parking going to play in the rest of the areas where this might be going? In other words, will we have that same opportunity to have a net zero impact if we move it over to, say, Bruco or Mangiamo over there.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: It wouldn't be directly opposite of those places where it will be eliminated. It might be a block off. But this street segment specifically was so conveniently located wherever it could be, just directly across the street where it's being eliminated. But other segments that we looked at didn't have that opportunity available.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, well, now for the pilot, but when we make the decision to move forward, if that decision is made, then we need to kind of --.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Shift around the parking a little.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah. Okay. So, somebody wrote an email and said, why is the city paying for the cleaning? Since it's really going to be used by the restaurant? Shouldn't they be responsible for the --?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: I can address that, Mayor. So, the sidewalk extension, that part is the pedestrian path. So, it's the public right of way and it's the pedestrian path. The sidewalk where the businesses would be hosting their outdoor dining already exists. And so, the maintenance was specifically to the portion of the extension that will be serving the pedestrians in the public right of way.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So again, the public, and I assume we're going to trap debris and things like that. It's not going to go into the storm drain and pollute our ocean. Okay, so what might the restaurants be charged in the future versus, you know, based upon the rough order of magnitude or something? So, here they're paying an additional \$3.50 per square foot. So, how much might they, just to give an idea, I mean, we're doing the pilot, but if it's too expensive for some restaurants, do we still build, I mean, we're still going to build out and hope that the next restaurant that comes in.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: We are working with our consultants and our finance department to come back with a number for the long-term program. This is the 350 is solely for this pilot project. So, we don't have the number you're asking for just yet.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. I want to let my colleagues ask some questions now. So, Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I wanted to pick up on the issue of 12 to 14 additional seats per restaurant for the three restaurants. First, what are the implications for the use permit, the occupancy limitations that currently apply to the restaurants, separate from what we had in place during the COVID emergency during the pandemic, what are the current occupancy limits and how would this additional impact those restrictions?

ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR HEISE: So, these would be exterior seats and the exiting from the restaurant would still be left clear. So, the occupancy of the restaurant itself is usually based on the allowable area that people could safely exit the restaurant. So, since these are exterior, they can exit through a separate location.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: So, treated separately. In other words, in terms of parking, we're, I think, going to be having a conversation about parking shortly. Won't 12 to 14 seats at each of these three establishments generate a greater need for

parking, although potentially de minimis, but nonetheless a need, right?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: How has staff analyzed the need for additional parking, even though this is just a pilot and only three restaurants with 12 to 14 additional seats?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: Because it is a pilot program. And I'd like to remind the council that the analysis of this project and as a pilot program initiated before our lot three emergency. So, staff does understand that the circumstances in downtown have significantly changed, which is why the tenor of our staff report and our presentation was, we're offering you this, but we understand, things have changed since we embarked on this venture to bring this pilot program to the table for council to consider recognizing that we understand the parking challenges. But the idea here was we would try to recapture as many parking spaces as we could while bringing this project forward as a test. But there was no permanent solution for the additional parking capacity at the time.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Anybody else? I already checked with Richard. Yeah, he said he has no questions. I'm just checking my list. So, how will it work? How will it work for the restaurants

that have hills, that are on a pretty steep hill, like Mangiamo, Bruco, Enoch, Strandhouse?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Based on the preliminary plans that we're reviewing, any sloped areas will have to be graded so it would be filled or cut to create that flat area that's continuous with their entrance ways. So, there will be some retaining walls.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: But that's separate from the consideration of the pilot program that will be considered by the council at a later date. The pilot program is specifically for these three establishments and it was selected due to the flat terrain.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. I mean, I'm just trying to picture it, but since this pilot program is for downtown outdoor dining, shouldn't that be kind of looked at? Because I don't have to count the restaurants, but a good third to half of the restaurants would be on a hill.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: Yes, Mayor, and the conceptual drawings have been prepared and staff is evaluating them. So, there was a unique design that was prepared to accommodate the restaurants on the hillside for the long-term outdoor dining solution. It's just that those restaurants are not a part of the pilot project itself.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. All right. Any more questions?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: If I may add one, just a reminder regarding the temporary barriers. The idea was that if they're somewhat temporary and maybe we can, I think, reach a compromise where they're more fastened and they're unable to relocate them during service hours, the idea is that they'll be able to take it out when they are not in service so that there's just a broader walkway for the pedestrians to utilize.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Mayor Pro Tem.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: You're talking about to prevent spillover between sidewalk and restaurant? But I mean, is that really, I mean, I think I might be getting in the weeds here. We're talking about, are we interested in the pilot program and are we interested in this? But it seems like something they pull up every night and put back in is going to be a little, it may not, a rope, like at a movie theater or something. Feels kind of, I don't think that's going to keep people out of there. That's just --. Okay.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, based upon that conversation, can we go to slide three or page 243, because you mentioned our concern was moving out more into the sidewalk. Can we take a look at that, please? Slide three. Yeah, right there. So, you see that there's, you know, each of the restaurants has sort of a half fence around, you know, around their restaurant barrier

there, if you will. Would that be included, do you think, or that won't be included?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: The images are really to portray the sidewalk extension itself. We have more flexibility on how we want to separate the dining area from the pedestrian path. We do need some sort of separation. Again, if we don't maintain some level of separation, the dining areas will continue to creep into the pedestrian path. And we don't want that to happen. But it doesn't need to look exactly like this.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Where is this?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: This is Colorado.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Durango?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Yes

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I was there.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Planning a trip?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Looks familiar.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: It looks nice there.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: It does. So that brings up another question, is, I'm trying to think. So, each of those three restaurants has a sidewalk dining permit.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Two. Tacolicious and Nando have sidewalk dining permits currently.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so Dash Dashi doesn't. Okay, so Tacolicious. I mean, there's quite a few seats out there. I mean, so is the net gain going to be like, how many seats? How many seats are out there now?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Currently they have 16.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: 16 seats on the sidewalk?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: And so, they're going to have 14 on this. So, they're. Our Tacolicious has 14. So, they're going to lose two seats.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We're going to add.

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: No, they currently have 16. But the way they spaced it out might be different from how we spaced it out based on ADA requirements and all the other access to routes that we need to consider when we are laying out the seating arrangement,

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Does the current sidewalk go away or is this just an addition to it?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: It will be built at the edge of the existing sidewalk into the vehicular lane.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, it will be seamless, right?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: There won't be any gap. So once again, if they got 16 seats out on the sidewalk now and this gives them 14, where's my math?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, it's not additional? Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: It's in lieu of.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: It's in lieu of, right? But there's going to be two less. Presumably.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: In theory.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. And then that's also with Nando, right?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: Well, Nando will be increasing. Currently they have four seats. And they will have twelve seats.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Are those four seats right up against the restaurant or are they out on across the sidewalk? I'm trying to remember.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: Yeah, I've seen them. I've seen two up against the restaurant and one table up against the restaurant and one table on the other side near the street.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, they'll be getting a gain and then Dash Dashi will be getting a gain. Okay. All right. And we heard a concern about the width of our fire engines and things like that. Is that once this gets restriped like shown on slide

number five, four or five, is that going to be an issue for public safety getting through there?

SENIOR PLANNER YOON: We'll defer that question to our Traffic Engineer, but I believe everything has been engineered to meet all the minimum requirements.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: It doesn't look like there's room for a car to move over the side and let a fire engineer.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: The travel lanes between the sidewalk, dining and the parking, diagonal parking on the other side of the street will be about 34 to 36ft wide total. When a fire engine is responding to an emergency, they have their sirens on and everyone is required to move out of the way. They can drive wherever they want. They can drive on the opposite side of the street if that's where the clear area is. And so, there's no parked cars in that 34-foot wide area.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. But there are cars?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: There are if you go through an intersection as well. It's no different than any other intersection for emergency response.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, the car is just pushed through with the fire engine behind them or?

TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Or in front of them.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Go right for the lights. Come on.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. All right. Thank you. All right. I have no further questions. Any further questions? No, we don't. Okay, so we'll open this up to public comments.

STEFAN KAMPA: Good evening once again, Stefan Kampa. This is a very controversial topic for the city. So, you know, a pilot program. I like the idea. It's a proof of concept. However, what we need to do is figure out what are the criteria we want to do or look at when this thing is done. I look at the City Council a year after this pilot starts and you guys are going to have this conversation about should we approve moving forward or not. We want to have information. The questions that you want to ask at that point in time. We talked about just now with the Fire Department. Can they get through? Is that something we're going to evaluate? What's the noise and the issues and a reflection of the, you know, the community. Let's figure out what those questions are today. Let's figure out how we measure them today and figure out how we're going to measure them through the process. So, at the end, we actually can have a conversation in this council chamber that makes sense and we can reach a conclusion fairly quickly and take out some of the emotion that's going to occur in this. Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED PUBLIC COMMENTER: Hi. So, while I'm certainly more amenable to the sidewalk, dining and Walk street

and all the other things we've discussed in the past, I still have great concern that some of the issues which in the major pilot program we had, which was COVID, namely the noise, the vermin, the garbage trucks, the congestion, the parking, that none of that is really truly being addressed here. Because just because you're going to do this on one small street with three restaurants, when you do that in the entire town, everything is then compounded multifold. And I don't think you're going to get like a full picture. And when I saw that the pricing of like what, the pilot program, and I don't know what it's going to be down the line, like, I added it and the full amount, I think, was like 18,000 a year for that square footage. I mean, my mother's property taxes are double that. But yet there's one person in the residential area on this council task force who gets to have a say for all of us. And this is such a small town. We literally have two and a half commercial streets that is heavily, densely residential around it. It's not like Santa Monica or Beverly Hills or Santa Barbara where they did this on State street. It's like our neighbors are commercial entities and you can't just shut huge areas down without the congestion becoming much, much more difficult. And so, these things still continue to bother me and I feel like they're not being addressed. I feel like it's being talked around and I wanted to make my voice known again. I just think before we go on, all of

that needs to be ironed out more. And I think that the restaurant should have to pay for it, not us. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Anybody else in chambers? Okay.
Online?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: There's no request online.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so we'll close public comment on this. Colleagues?

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: Your honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes, sir.

COUNCILMEMBER MONTGOMERY: It's Richard. Here's my take on this. It's not because the task force hasn't done a good job and staff hasn't done their job. It means a simple matter of wait till the sales tax measure passes. Don't commit our funds we don't have yet. Our lot priority should be lot three. That's what we focus on. Our money should be going there first sales tax measure coming through to decide what we're going to do on anything else. And one of the speakers earlier talked about there's still questions to be answered. I don't think we should be voting on this now at all. Sales tax measure come first. If the answers to the questions will be made, then we can decide the future of it. I'll stop there, your honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, thank you. Next, Councilmember Napolitano.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Thank you, your honor. I'm in agreement on that. I know that's going to disappoint some folks, especially the restaurant owners there, because expanding their ability to seat more people and do more for sales is always a good thing for them. But we had a call earlier, Julie, regarding the increase in the cost of the scout house, which has gone up substantially to the tune of over 5 million. We've got lot three that's happening. You know, all this has happened before this, as this pilot project was being worked on. And it just seems very piecemeal to me, though, to do it this way. We, as was said earlier, we had a pilot project in terms of COVID this would be a different format, and I get that. I actually visited Durango and looked at it and thought that this was something that we would do at some point. But right now, to say we have a pilot project, to me means, okay, if that's successful, I have no doubt that for the restaurants it will be. But if it's successful, then we're going to expand upon that. Because to me, to have a pilot project is a commitment to the rest of the downtown that we would be doing this, we would follow through with it. Not that it's just going to be an advantage or a benefit to one small group of people, but it's going to at some point be a benefit to all of downtown. There are plenty of other restaurants that want to take advantage of this. Some might not, given the costs of it all, but that's a

conversation that we're still in the process of, I think, and we don't have all the rules out for people to look at everything. Again, this just feels very piecemeal to me. And without knowing where the sales tax is going, and, yeah, I'm pitching that out to everybody. Sorry. But hey, if you want to scout Senior House, we need the sales tax passed. If you want lot three, we're going to have to get the sales tax pass to do outdoor dining. We need that sales tax pass. So, sorry, but for anyone who's disappointed in this tonight, if it doesn't move forward, you should pick up the mantle of that sales tax and tell everybody that that's what needs to get passed to do this, because what is the point of a pilot project if we can't afford to take the next step a year from now? So, that's what I fear. I fear that without a sales tax increase, if that gets defeated, then it's going to be this one-year benefit. There's no such thing as a trial period. There's no such thing as a, a pilot project anymore. Once it's in, everyone expects it to continue on forever. We saw that fighting tooth or nail for taking up the parking spaces for outdoor dining. Now we have a better chance to plan it, but part of planning is being able to afford it, and right now we can't. So, we do a pilot project for a benefit of a few when we do not have any idea whatsoever that we'll be able to afford. What the actual full project would be, I think is

premature and as was said earlier, cart before the horse. So, I can't support this right now, your honor. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Mayor Pro Tem Howorth.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. In general, I like a pilot project. In general, I like something that allows people to see maybe a footprint or to see something physically so they understand how it might work. I really appreciate what Stephan said about what is the proof of concept? We should design the pilot program around the things that we're trying to solve for. And I don't think this quite does that. I mean, if this was sort of the most convenient, and I think it was spot, because it's flat and, you know, there's parking across the street, that we could change, et cetera, we know it's going to work there. I mean, we know a deck would work there. We know extra seating could work there. Whether how it impacts the residents is a different issue, right? But we know that would work there. But we don't know how it works on the hill so much. You know, we don't know. And so, I don't think this pilot, in addition to some of the other comments, which I do agree with, but I don't think this particular pilot project would tell us what we need to know. Again, I actually think if it was the right pilot project, it would be worth spending some money on at the right time. I think the comment about waiting until after to see if the sales tax pass. This is exactly right. As well as,

hey, our priority right now has to be putting money towards parking and parking lot three, whether it's, you know, the demolition and a flat lot, I mean, those are more critical needs. So, it pains me because I really do want to keep explaining, to keep exploring how we can provide some sort of outdoor dining program. But I don't think right now this is the right answer.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I support outdoor dining and looking for opportunities to find it. But I share the concerns of my colleagues. We cannot support the pilot project at this time, particularly in advance of this vote on measure MMB. We have so many unmet needs for infrastructure projects. We need to show the public we need to actually preserve our funds and prioritize. And right now, our priority is lot three, and that includes finding parking where we can with this next item coming up. So, it just seems sort of like a conflict of concept, even though this is relatively de minimis to be taking parking spaces away for the pilot project for decks, at the same time that we're looking to find additional parking spaces in any other place we can. There's also a larger policy clause here. What is the public benefit versus the private benefit? I think that needs to be defined further, particularly to the extent that the public would be paying for the pilot project to provide more

outdoor dining, which we have established, many of us, as a goal. Still, to what extent should the public be paying for it? Or should we allow restaurants to simply try some of these concepts with their sort of paying for the price, regardless, at this time, cannot support this project.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. It's something I said often during the outdoor deck, is that we're just not blessed with wide sidewalks and wide streets. And, you know, it's interesting, I went to a wedding this summer up at. Name escapes me. Was it outside of Vancouver? What's the ski resort?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Whistler.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Whistler. Thank you. I don't know why I couldn't come up with that, but like all those kind of planned communities, the parking is way away. And then you've got all this pedestrian, these beautiful big wide sidewalks and restaurants and shops and things like that. Don't see the cars. The cars are out in the back. And while we don't have that, you know, we don't have that luxury to have that kind of land. Or maybe we could look into it, you know, long range, you know, parking and then a nice shuttle coming into the downtown area. But we got to deal with what we have here. And it's compressed. There's competing, you know, constituents, you know, residents of and restaurants and the like. I don't see. Well, what I do see is that every new restaurant that's opening has outdoor

dining. I mean, within its own structure, right? We see that with Hook & Plow. We went through and we talked about great white, right. 70 space, you know, 70 seats, outdoor dining. I mean, that's incredible. I mean, and take a look at where it's going, where the pitfire. And it just took some creativity, the kind of which I don't have. But they're basically slicing half of that building off to make outdoor dining. And we're seeing that with Esperanza. We saw it with even like Pete's, right? It has an element of outdoor dining right there at the patio in front. Simmzy's, Hennessey's to a degree. And that restaurant that's going to be coming in where King Claw is now, you know, that's designed with some dining, outdoor dining, better than either half and half or in some sort of ratio. My question about they already have existing outdoor dining with the sidewalks. It doesn't seem to be gaining. I applaud the outdoor dining task force. This is not an easy project. You've had long hours in there and looking at it, we've got a good basis. We had a good basis when we had the decks up. I was a proponent for moving along right then and there where the decks were still up to start studying this. But COVID got in the way again. We couldn't get planners and things like that. It's good research, good solid research. But I think we've got to go back to the drawing board, take care of our immediate needs, such as parking lots three and other parking restriping, getting those spaces back

and take care of those. And of course, the money. Wait for that measure MMB, you know, to come through and again, amplifying what my colleagues have said about that. So, we have a motion or are we going to go ahead and table.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: It just was discussing pride direction. So, there's no need for a motion, right?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No need for a motion.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, great. And our thanks to the outdoor dining task force and the work you've done and perhaps more work. Thank you. Okay. Could we take a little break, please? Okay, so it is 7:23, maybe about 7:30. Okay.

[Council took a break]

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: We are live, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, thank you. So, we're back from our break and we have one additional public comment, I think our community announcement.

MARTHA KOO: Thank you so much. Good evening, Mayor Franklin and City Council. We appreciate you letting us speak. So, I'm Martha Koo. I'm on the Board of Directors of the Beach Cities Health District. And we have identified since 2016. Right. That mental health and substance user, really important health priorities and part of that has been the development of our beach cities partnership for youth Coalition, and that coalition collaborates with over 200 local partners, and we have

five work groups. And so, I'd like to introduce Alyssa, who is one of the members of the Beach Cities Youth Advisory council, to talk a little bit about the peer support they offer for mental health and substance use prevention.

ALYSSA FINEGAN: Good evening. My name is Alyssa Finnegan. As a member of this group, I have the opportunity to bring awareness to the dangers of youth substances, not only to my peers, but to teachers, parents and various stakeholders in the community like yourselves. Recently, a group of my fellow Councilmembers worked together to produce a naloxone training video that is now incorporated into every naloxone training presentation conducted by the Beach Cities health district, as well as available online on YouTube for the masses to better understand the opioid crisis, recognize signs of an overdose, administer a naloxone, and provide critical support until professional help arrives. The coalition's efforts to address youth substance use and increase awareness around the dangers of illicitly manufactured fentanyl extends beyond this video. Beach City students are being provided critical information through school assemblies to make us smart and healthy choices around substance use. The same information being shared to students is being brought to parents during our parent night titled what I wish my parents dangers of Youth substance use in fentanyl. These events include a screening of the fentanyl documentary

Come Back Home, followed by a panel discussion with young people from local recovery programs in the beach cities. All coalition parent education nights are open to any South Bay parent or caregiver, so we hope to see you at our upcoming one on Monday, October 1 at Manhattan Beach Middle School. Attendees will also have the option to take home an overdose prevention kit that contains the life-saving opioid overdose reversal medication, naloxone intranasal spray and fentanyl test strips. As a recipient of the California Department of Health Care Services Naloxone Distribution project, Beach City's health district can supplement prevention efforts by distributing these kits that are also available to the public at Alcove in Redondo Beach. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring the health and wellness of Beach Cities youth.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you very much. Okay, so we go back to item I, items removed from the consent calendar, and I have item number four, and that would be Councilmember Napolitano.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Thank you, your honor. Yes, this was discussed before by council. I registered my concerns at the time and just for the public identification, this is consideration the city's participation in the South Bay City's council of Government's functional zero street homelessness Commendation program. So basically it's, you know, if you get

your homeless countdown to functional zero, where folks are, if they do experience homelessness, it's on a limited basis, within 90 days, and they are then within that time given services and housing, then, you know, the public entity gets to pat themselves in the back and they have a celebration, you know, well intentioned. I understand what the COG is doing, but I also think it's just performative, and I really think that not a dollar or a dime should go to any commendation, celebration or anything else when it could otherwise go to addressing the real factors of homelessness. You know, the information that they want here clean, we can give them that information all day long. We can give them whatever information we're collecting, whatever data we can pass that along. I don't want our staff to take. I see. De minimis. I doubt that, because this wouldn't be a program if it was de minimis. I'm familiar with the COG. My colleague here, Councilmember Lesser is our appointee to the COG. But again, I don't see this as having any value of substance, rather that all efforts, time and money go towards the actual addressing the issues of homelessness and getting people off the street and not cities patting themselves in the back.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I have a question for Mr. Gabriel, if I could. And that is, George, in the staff report,

there was a particular reference of the value of this, and that's what I was focusing in on. And beyond just collaboration and minimal staff time, there was a reference to the insightful data the program could offer, perhaps looking at a larger regional data set for homelessness. And I'm wondering, can you elaborate on that to provide a little more information as to what the offsetting value may be to what Councilmember Napolitano is suggesting, with which I generally agree. If this is just performative, I'd rather our efforts as a city be focused on dealing with the problem. But to the extent that the data collected and the work with our regional cities can be helpful, I'd like to hear that better articulated.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: So, I'm going to talk about on a general level first, George Gabriel, assistant to the City Manager. I'll talk about it first at a general level in terms of the value of data, and then I'm going to encourage our representatives from the COG to come down here and talk about some of the particulars of it. But in essence, we're, you know, obviously the main piece of data that we receive on an annual basis is the Los Angeles county homeless count. And that data, while somewhat valuable, it also comes with holes in it, and it doesn't give an ongoing piece of what occurs on a weekly, monthly, quarterly basis. And so, to the extent possible, what the potential value of this data would be,

would be to more actively monitor what is going on. Do the staff already do that? To some extent, yes, we do. But trying to utilize that data and I contextualize it with the region may be helpful. And if I can invite.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: So, you say maybe. In what way would it be helpful? Because while we using the data, we'll know what is happening in Redondo beach. But what does that have to do with what Manhattan beach is doing with its own share beds, with its own housing navigator and outreach and everything else.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Just contextualizing it in terms of what's occurring in the region.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: And if we didn't participate, we wouldn't have access to that data.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Not as readily in the same data set, not as readily available. If we requested it, I'm sure that COG would be partners. And they would provide that data, but.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: The public entity, I think they have to.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Yeah.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Mayor Pro Tem.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. I truly appreciate Councilmember Napolitano's comments about let's not

do something just to be performative. You know, we see the image of the officials lined up, and I don't know if it's a ribbon cutting or whatever, and I so appreciate that that's not a reason to do something, but what I'm hearing from you is what it does. So, if you think about our communities and the COG, the South Bay council, or if you will, governments, there aren't borders between our cities. And I feel like the way people move and move through our communities and whether they're seeking services here or there, it seems like this could be some useful, both information, but also providing that information and also being more in contact with them, and you're talking about three hours of staff time a week, and if I'm looking at the person, main staff person who coordinates with the homeless, and you're saying, yes, it would be a little bit valuable, I think for three hours a month I can say, okay, that seems valuable. I mean, we want to do everything we can both to help these people for their public safety and for our public safety. And this seems like it could be slightly value added. Let's try it. That would be my thought.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. I'm going to withhold comments after public comments.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay. Oh sorry.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. So, I'll open this up for public comments. I believe it's two minutes, is it? Two minutes?

ADDY DEJALAYA: Good evening, everyone. Thank you for making some time to go over this with me today. Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, Councilmembers, my name is Addy Dejalaya. I'm here on behalf of the South Bay City Council of government, and I hear your concerns. They're valid. And I, much like yourself, also don't believe in performative, like action or allyship or anything of this sort. And this isn't that, right? I understand in a community like this, where much of your population of people experiencing homelessness is transient or is minimal, how this can feel that way and it's not. I think it goes into contributing to that regional approach that we're really trying to emphasize in LA county, doing our part. So just because Manhattan beach has a minimal number or it's a transient community doesn't mean it doesn't impact its neighbors. And so, this is basically you all being collaborative and also getting the appropriate services for the folks that you do have here. I heard earlier during public comment about the gentleman that's outside of a certain establishment, right? Like right now, you have Myra. She's amazing. She does fantastic work, street outreach, and yet she could be better supported and we would provide that support. So, it's not just us, you know. You all signing onto that and being like, run with it. It's us being there, guiding, supporting, and then taking that information in and then making sure that we are providing the appropriate

resources. Not everyone needs a shelter, like a pallet shelter. Not everyone needs reunification. Some people need support with substance use or mental health support. And so that data goes to show us where that need is and make sure that we have those appropriate resources for them. So not performative. We really are just trying to get everyone to, like, do our part and be collaborative in this challenge as we navigate it. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I have a question. Question, on this. If the intent is not to be performed, can we get rid of the ceremony then?

ADDY DEJALAYA: Yeah, you can if you don't want it.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Well, no. Can the COG get rid of it? I'm not the one who wrote the program. Do you understand what I mean, though? If we're really not performative, we don't need that. Just stick to business.

ADDY DEJALAYA: I'm a boots on the ground type of person. I like to get in there and the weeds do my job. If you, if the City of Manhattan Beach --.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Tell Jackie.

ADDY DEJALAYA: Doesn't do it. Tell Jackie. Let me put in my notes right now. I can be like, listen, Manhattan Beach just wants to do the work. They don't need the pat on the back. And we can roll our sleeve up.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you.

ADDY DEJALAYA: Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: More comments?

RITA KRABTREE KAMPA: Good evening, Rita Krabtree Campa. Good evening, Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, City Councilmembers. I am definitely along the lines of let's not spend one penny on any celebrations or hoo ha's or cookies from Becker's. While I support them every day, I don't need to take the money away from the work that we need to do. I also don't, I support not having a celebration at the end. Let's just do our work and get it done. If Myra could be supported and George and their work sitting down and being able, we are, we do want to do a regional approach. We do need that. We do need the resources that we know are available to be able to collaborate with other cities. I do think that's really, really important. If it's going to incentivize more collaborative work amongst the housing navigators and collaboration with the other resources in the area, then I think it's really important. Just a note. I would also like to pitch that I'm not even sure that participating in the point in time count in January on a cold day when everybody runs inside, is absolutely necessary. I think our resources could be better used by looking at our data from a day to day basis. We know exactly who's homeless, we know who's here in our town, and we know exactly what resources we've already offered

and what the plan is. Let's just sit down for coffee for half an hour one day in January and we can discuss it and be done with it. So, thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Do we have a couple's discount? Is that it?

UNIDENTIFIED PUBLIC COMMENTER: Exactly. You know, I was a consultant for 25 years, and what we did as consultants, you said, well, what is everybody else doing? And try to track the best practices. So, I'm listening to this conversation. It sounds like we have a lot of other communities that are doing this, have collected data. So, the question I have is maybe this is an opportunity to take a look at what we're collecting and compare it to what they're collecting and maybe we can improve what we're doing. And I don't know, maybe, George, you've already done this. And if that's the case, we might be able to improve what we're doing, get more efficient out of it. So it's worth just taking the time to say, what's the data they want? What do we collect? Maybe we should improve it. And if it does, then we just pass it along with no additional effort and just benefit overall. Thank you.

MAYOE: Thank you. Okay, anybody else? How about online?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: We have Lee.

LEE PHILLIPS: Hello, City Councilmembers. My name is Lee Phillips. I think data collection is good. However, I think we need to be honest about what data we need to collect. We need to understand who is refusing services and what are the next steps. There's never discussion about enforcement. We need to be honest about the patient. I mean, the person's last physical address, whether they have mental health issues or drug abuse issues or criminal histories. Those are the questions that are important, that are not asked. And I think it's admirable that we don't take a certificate. It was, you know, the PowerPoint presentation said the reason for choosing Manhattan Beach for the program is we have a low homeless count, which is solving a problem where there is not one. Most of the people here are transient. They pass through. We have a few that cause a lot of problems because of their behavior. And we need to really look at, again, mental health, drug abuse, and then decide on enforcement. I go to the COG and there's some real problems that aren't being solved. One of those are homeless families. I think every city could get behind finding a solution for homeless families. The other are RV encampments, which are real problems in the COG that aren't being addressed in an aggressive, organized manner. And that's something I think many cities can support. Finding a solution for those families who are homeless and RV encampments. Thank you for your time.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Great. Thank you, Lee. Appreciate that.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Mr. Mayor, I think Councilmember Napolitano's screen is not actually working right. And I'm not sure if you wanted to speak.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Good enough.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: You can raise your hand.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Good for now.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: My screen's working.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Mayor Pro Tem.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Oh, well, let's keep going then.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No, there might be more public comments, but I had a question for when the comments were finished.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Oh okay. Any more?

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK ALVAREZ: There's no additional comments.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. So, we'll close public comments. Councilmember. Oh, Mayor Pro Tem. Ladies first.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, I pressed my button first. Yeah, I have a question. I wanted to ask, Mr. Gabriel, do

we still participate in the Los Angeles county homeless count? I thought we do.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: Yes, we do.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay. We do. And do we have. I mean, I thought that Rita brought up a great point. I think we've talked about it here before, but do we have to participate in that in order to qualify for funds from them?

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: I've not seen a grant application that references as a condition --.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: But what I will say is they use it as a measuring point of your homeless population. So, there's no decision, but I will say that what we offer in terms of homeless count is strictly a space. And obviously volunteers from the community, from my understanding, they're still going to do hilasa would still do account in Manhattan beach. It's just directed by council to not participate in it and we wouldn't direct our time and efforts to assisting with that.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I'm not suggesting that, I was just curious because at one point I think we had either talked about it or you just brought up the point that it is just this moment in time and we have other information. So, I appreciate that.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I'm just looking at Councilmember Dot, dot, dot. I don't know what that means.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah, that's Dot, dot, dot. So, I've, you know, we have a lot of resources. Maybe it's because we have a little bit more money to do it. We've got a great app, Reach Manhattan Beach, which you are probably tired of hearing me talk about, but it's got a homeless outreach on that, which is right on the first page. We instruct people, we instructed today, don't have give them money, don't give them food, because you're only enabling them to stay on the street, which is dangerous. We have a great police department. I believe we have to four officers who are trained now took the special training for homeless encounters --.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER GABRIEL: At least.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, on each shift we have, you know, we have a police officer, we have, everything is backed up and force multiplied by MB safe. I help them when I see somebody that is in need, and I probably report quite a bit because I don't want that person to spend another night on the street. We have the services, we can find them the services, sometimes not right away, but we can do it. I mean, think about it. We know the names of these individuals, which is fine, okay. Because that's part of the trust that we build with them, is knowing their names. But the ultimate goal is get them off the street

and it's tough work, it is hard, it is long, it is encounter after encounter. It's repatriation, all that we have finally tuned. And I believe we'd be happy to share that information, but I don't think it just needs to be formalized like that. I don't want that burden. But I think, of course we should share. It took us a while for the COG to realize that what we were doing would share. Housing the beds that we rent was an effective tool. So, now we don't pay for it. The COG has paid for 18, I believe, 18 beds that we get to use along with the other South Bay cities. So that's good. That's a good, positive step. That's collaboration. So personally, if there's a ribbon cutting, I've never met a pair of scissors I didn't like. But if anything, that brings attention to allow us to reach the residents and give them that message of report, call the non-emergency number, of course, call, you know, if you see someone that might be in a difficult situation, if it's more than that, dial 911, get the police involved. They're trained. They can bring medical professional, you know, mental health professionals. And I believe, you know, Rita just got an award as Angel on Earth, I think was the name of it. And she received that and it's so well deserved.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: She's hiding.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: She's hiding. That's fine. You can be embarrassed, but it's well earned. You remember that chiffon

when bring home dinner every now and then. But I'm very proud of Manhattan beach. I'm proud of the way that we're, you know, that we have a compassionate approach, that it's a hand up, not a handout. And I'm very proud to have been involved with it in listening to their suggestions and George's suggestions and implementing those. So, we'll leave it at that. And --.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: And I have a motion, but I know we have two more speakers.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Councilmember Lesser?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Go ahead. No Napolitano.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Councilmember Napolitano.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I'm sorry. Napolitano.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Thank you, your honor.

Appreciate your words. Again, I have no problem with collecting and sharing data. It should be shared. If it hasn't been shared before, why not? That makes no sense whatsoever either. I just don't like this program the way it's set up, and I can't support it for that reason. I think the last page, or what is it, 66 of 272 there says it all. It says City of Manhattan Beach is a good candidate for this program. With low homeless count, homeless staff neighborhood activism can be safe and access to regional resources as share. So, we're low hanging fruit to claim victory. I don't want to be on the deck of the aircraft carriers saying, you know, victory achieved when we haven't done it. And

so, I just, I can't get there on this. I appreciate the intent, but, and I'm all for the sharing, not for the celebrating. We're a long way off from celebrating anything to do with addressing homelessness. Thank you, your honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I appreciate Councilmember Napolitano looking at what this item is. It's called accommodation program and raising rightful concerns about doing all the ceremony, as you just described, as opposed to doing the work itself. But when I hear from staff as I think we all have that there's value in collaborating as a region and pulling together this data with minimal staff time. I'm prepared to be in favor of it. I appreciate his concern about how the South Bay city's council of government, which I have the privilege of being delegated to, have, sometimes come up with too much ceremony and not enough allowing the work to speak for itself. But sometimes I think they need publicity so that people are even aware that they exist, let alone what they're doing. So, I'm willing to give the benefit of the doubt on this program.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: And I've made a motion.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: And I've seconded.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Which is to approve the consideration of the city's participation in the South Bay

city's council government's functional zero street homelessness commendation program.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, we have a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Amy Howorth. Seconded by Councilmember David Lesser.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mr. Mayor. Just wanted to announce that at 08:00 Councilmember Montgomery had to leave meeting.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Oh, no.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Was it something we said?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Too much ceremonies.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: So, I'll do roll call.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Will he be participating in this vote or --?

CITY CLERK TAMURA: No.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: He's already left the meeting.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Oh no.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Napolitano?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: No.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Councilmember Lesser?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Franklin?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Mayor Pro Tem Howorth?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes 3-1-1.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. Thank you, Councilmember Napolitano. So also, now, item number seven. Mayor Pro Tem Howorth, you pulled that.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah. And, I mean, staff is making their way up. So, at a meeting that was held over at the police and fire community room, as this room was being so lovingly remodeled, the designer had come down, and we had looked at some of the signs, and we realized we saw the real-life model that they were on, sort of a material that was printed to look like driftwood. And Councilmember Napolitano said, that's not good. I mean, we agreed with you. I was giving you credit.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Oh, for once? All right.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: For once. Yeah. Okay. So, we said, oh, we want them to be done in white. But I'm told, I mean, this report is, you know, saying, well, they were about to be in production, so I wanted to pull this to see if we could, in fact, make them be white, because this report was based on an earlier council decision.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I thought we said it last night, though. Am I wrong about that?

CITY ENGINEER DOHERTY: Yeah. Good evening. Katie Doherty. I'm city engineer. The decision was made for the master plan to include. We were instructed to come back with options, and these were related to changing the master plan. The phase one construction contract was approved. Some meetings prior to that, and it did include the driftwood background. So, we were going off of that direction based on the authority to award or to advertise that project with the drift, including the driftwood background.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Can we still kill that?

CITY ENGINEER DOHERTY: It is possible to change it to white if we want to at this point.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Right now?

CITY ENGINEER DOHERTY: This is the time. Yeah.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: And that's what I, that's why I pulled this, because I want to be sure.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Second.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, we have to be public comment, but you're welcome for this gift. Someone was paying attention. Okay. Yeah. That's why we're doing this. So, thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Any more questions? Okay, let's move on to public comment. Any public comments? We've got some thumbs up.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We don't usually get that.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: We get the emoji in the minutes.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Usually they hold up another finger.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: All right. I make a motion.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Seeing no public comments in chambers. How about online?

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

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, public comments are closed. We have a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Howorth and seconded by Councilmember Steve Napolitano.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: And for the record, to be sure that we, instead of the driftwood pattern and color, we are changing that --.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: To white.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: For ever after to white. Will that be reflected? Okay, thank you.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANIAN: Correct.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: And for the record, it will be noted that it was not I who pulled this item, having made a big deal about the signage. And now it seems to have taken on a lot.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: For the record.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: But I'm grateful that the Mayor Pro Tem has pulled this out.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: You are so welcome. I'm just here for you guys.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: The generosity is noted.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Not really generous if you called attention to yourself.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 4-0-1.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Great.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so we've done the shifting of everything, and now we're back on track when we move backwards to item number. Item number nine.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Nine I think.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Eight, nine. Lot three parking structure local emergency updates. Public Works Director Lee, who's not there.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER FIJALKA: Jeff Fijalka, Principal Civil Engineer, here to provide an update on the lot three parking structure emergency demolition and replacement. And I'm joined with city Traffic Engineer Eric Zandvliet, who will be providing a portion of the presentation as well.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Excellent.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER FIJALKA: So back in June of this year, city staff closed the upper level of the lot three parking structure after observations of significant corrosion of steel members supporting the uppermost level of the structure. And then in July, the structure was fully closed to the public at the recommendation of a structural engineer that was performing an inspection on behalf of the city. Then at the September 3 City Council meeting, City Council declared a local emergency and as part of that local emergency that was declared, that involves direction for staff to undertake a full demolition of the structure, construct an interim parking lot to restore some portion of the parking spaces that would be lost through the demolition. Explore and propose temporary relocation locations for the farmers market that occurs every Tuesday. And also, they directed staff to identify additional spaces within walking distance of downtown that could be created within our streetscape. And lastly, staff was directed to explore shuttle service options for special events. Regarding the demolition, I apologize, there's some formatting errors taking place on the table here on the screen, but the city staff contacted eight demolition contractors and received six bids for the demolition of the structure. There is quite a bit of variability in the bids received. It's a little bit hard to see here in this table, but the low bid is at 190,000 and the highest bid at \$1.85

million. Again, there are six bids. That is more variability than we typically see. We staff did fully vet the low bidder, which is American Wrecking, and after vetting we believe that they are qualified and capable to do the work and understand the scope of work and prepared to undertake the project.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Mr. Mayor, can I just ask a question? At this point in the presentation, I have asked staff for why there was such a low bid, and maybe you can explain for the public because it is such a widespread that it might raise some questions.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER FIJALKA: Okay, so it's not abnormal that we see bids that are maybe two, three times the cost of one another between high bid and low bid. In this case, we have a low bid that's about a 10th of the highest bid. If we look at the five other bids, they are within two to three times of each other. So, there really appears to be one outlier, which is the higher bid. In addition to receiving and soliciting the bids from these contractors, staff did reach out to a consultant ahead of time to provide a third-party construction estimate of what it would cost to demolish the structure. That third-party estimate is in closer alignment with the high bid, and so we had extensive discussions with that estimator as to potentially why the numbers are coming in so low relative to the one high bid, as well as their estimate, which was again closer to the 1.8-1.9

million dollars. What it ultimately comes down to, we don't know all the details of every one of these bids, but some of the large contributing factors for demolition projects are whether the, what is the ultimate disposition of the debris, whether that contractor is proposing and having to haul it off and pay for the hauling, pay to dispose it, or maybe they have another project that needs the material that is willing to pay for the hauling and potentially pay for the material as well. That does seem to be at least explaining a portion of how the low bid is contractor is proposing to do the work. They have identified a site that needs essentially recycled concrete. So, they're proposing to take the concrete directly from our site in larger chunks, haul it off to a site relatively nearby in Hawthorne where it will be crushed and used in a different construction project. That's a large portion of it. Another is larger demolition contractors have larger equipment and specialized equipment, which means they often own the equipment. You know, they're not paying to rent large equipment and also, they can do the work faster so there's less labor involved. That appears also to be the case here. American wrecking has made reference to like robotic equipment that will be on the upper level and large excavators that will both break apart with claws on the excavator using shears, tear apart the steel. Some parts will be

the steel will be taken apart by welding. So those factors play into it quite a bit.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Perfect. Thank you.

PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER FIJALKA: So, currently, staff has, I'll go back to the slide one more time. We are in the process of executing a contract with the low bidder and that contract will include 40 working days for the demolition work as well as a 6:00 a.m. start time for the contractor. And we are proposing to allow the contractor work on Columbus Day as well as Veterans Day, which are both likely to take place during the demolition phase. There is a potential that Thanksgiving would also be incorporated into the demolition timeframe. If the contractor does not finish before the 40 days it will take place within that timeframe. They are indicating they believe they can finish early, but if Thanksgiving is incorporated within the demolition phase, we are proposing that the contractor not work on thanksgiving or the day after. So, in addition to soliciting the bid proposals, Public Works has also installed perimeter fencing around the structure, modified center place to accommodate loading operations and trash collection. We installed temporary shoring. You can see a photo of an example of that here in this picture on the screen. 16 columns in total received shoring. Similar to this, we hired a consultant to collect samples and test for lead and asbestos throughout the

structure. Disconnected utilities, solicited proposals for resident engineer. And then we saw a couple items we're working on here, which is topographical survey which is scheduled for next week. As I mentioned, the demolition contract is underway. And after we received the results from the topographical survey, staff intends to prepare the design for the interim parking lot in house for the sake of time to expedite having design plans that we can then construct after the demolition. So, I will now hand it off to Traffic Engineer Eric Zandvliet.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Thank you, Jeff. Good evening again, Mayor, members of City Council. Let's move on to the next slide. Let's take a closer look at some of our alternative parking locations and options here. You directed us on September 3 to look at all available extra street parking that we could sandwich into our downtown area within walking distance, and we found 90 additional parking spaces that we could implement. This goes a long way towards replacing the lost parking spaces, the 145 parking spaces in Lot three. All of these spaces are, have some kind of compromise or they're not ideal, otherwise we would have put them in already. Sometimes it's a little bit of a, you might have to back out into a lane of traffic, or we're making the spaces a little bit smaller. And in the couple of cases here, we're asking for City Council direction with regard to removing either a bike lane or a lane

of traffic in order to accommodate more parking. 58 parking spaces we are moving forward with right now. Administratively, they do not require any reconfiguration of streets or lanes. And we have already installed 13 parking spaces in lot one and lot seven. And that was put in on Friday.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Just a question. 90 spaces and then what are we going to get out of the surface lot?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Another 75 or so parking spaces. So that will actually net out more parking spaces than we had in lot three.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Good. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Unless we pull some back.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Unless, yeah, there will be some accommodation, maybe, for instance, along Valley Drive, the diagonal parking. We would probably require a couple of ADA parking spaces and so that might reduce that amount on that particular stretch. I've already got three more parking spaces in mind to replace those.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: He's on the hunt. Can I go back and ask a question? I kind of want to break this up because there's a lot to unpack. But 40 days to demolish, okay. If it were my grandkids, they could do it in ten, but 40 days. So, you talked about Thanksgiving and all that, then all the debris is gone.

And how about the resurfacing at the 75 additional. What would the schedule look like for that?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: I'm sorry. The 75 additional parking spaces?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah, yeah, yeah. So, we're going to put asphalt down, right? And then?

ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR HEISE: Yes. So, as I mentioned, we're planning to prepare the design for that lot in house. So, after we received the results of the survey, which is being contracted right now, and that were performed this weekend. Next, in the next couple weeks, we'll have the survey data, at which time we'll prepare the design for that. Best case scenario, we have those design plans ready to go and to start construction on that lot towards the end of the demolition. So, 40 days of demolition based on the anticipated start date in about two weeks. Because we just filed the notice with the state today, that would put us at about mid-December for the completion of the demolition. Again, they're indicating they may be able to finish sooner, but as of right now, they'll be contracting.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so mid-December. And then how about again, when are we going to put in the asphalt? Manhattan Property --.

ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR HEISE: If the design plans are ready and ready to construct, that construction would likely take probably about four weeks.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Really? Okay. So, by January. Sometime in January.

ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR HEISE: January might be a little bit aggressive, but maybe January, February.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Lots of holidays.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, great.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: But the demo would be done?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah, yeah, the demo is done. But you know, the important thing is getting those 75 spots.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Sure.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Right now, we're in a lower season as far as parking demand is concerned as we're out of the summertime now. So, we do have available parking in all of our parking lots. Lots except for M at this time. Lot M does fill up during the day. It always does.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Just remind people. Parking lot M is?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Oh, parking lot M is the Metlox parking structure underneath the Metlox plaza.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: And I can go over individual locations for the street parking if you like. We're

also investigating the possibility for valet parking in any of our parking lots. We did have to discount a couple of parking lots because they're either not structurally able to handle the additional load of the additional parking spaces, or there's fire suppression concerns about that. So, lot two, the upper lot of the parking structure, lot eight, and which is on the Veterans' parkway, and then the lower level of Metlox, which unfortunately would have been a great, have 95 extra parking spots using valet. But due to fire suppression concerns and our coastal development agreement, we're not allowed to operate that way over park the parking lot. So, with the other locations that are left, we have the ability to valet Park 13th street, where we would park behind the diagonal parking spaces that are already on 13th street. Lot one, which would afford us 13 additional spaces. Lot 6, seven additional spaces, lot 7, 14 spaces, or the upper pier lots combined. Upper, sorry, north and south at 30 spaces. Really, it doesn't make any financial sense to do valet parking for anything less than ten parking spaces. First of all, secondly, in our parking lots, we would not be able to charge more than what is the parking meter rate for that valet. So, if you parked the valet for 2 hours, you'd be charged \$4 for that because we have a two dollar per hour rate. You have to go back to the coastal commission or, sorry, you have to have a coastal development permit to increase the parking meter

costs. And for the user, that parking rate doesn't. If you were to valet in that lot, it doesn't afford you any extra special privileges. You don't get your car delivered to you or anything like that. You just drop off your car and you have to leave your keys for that. There's also some operational issues because when you're operating a valet, you either have to operate the entire parking lot as a valet because they're moving cars around and you're blocking other cars in, and then the driver is giving their keys over to the valet operator. Well then if the driver comes back late, after the valet has left, or after the parking lot hours, they can't get their car. So, you either have to provide keys, you have to move the keys to some place that they can get them 24 hours a day, say for instance the police department or the cattle as we used to do in the old days with valet, or you have to close the lot off and tell them you can't get it until the next day. We have had a discussion with another parking consultant and there's an interim type of way that could be done with what's called attendant parking. So, instead of strictly valet, the attendant parking would be able to take the keys of the cars that are over parked within the aisles and move those cars around as needed. If a person needs to get out of the normal spots and those are self-parked at the end of the day, if there's any cars that are still left in the attendant parking, they would park them in the normal parking spot and then you

still have the matter about the keys for the driver to come back and claim their key. So, valet parking is not an optimal option. It doesn't even wash out with regard to the cost of the valet versus the revenue that you would receive for that valet car. And this is assuming that the valet is operating all of our metered hours, which are 13 hours a day, 08:00 a.m. to 09:00 p.m. and that it's fully used the entire time, which is not the case normally. So, the city would have to absorb that cost for the valet, at least a portion of it. Some of the costs are on the screen there in the tables, and those are just some estimates at this time. Again, assuming full operation of a valet in that parking lot.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Could I ask a question about the valet? So, the parking space had been a two-hour limit. Would it still become a two-hour limit for the valet? And they'd be issued a parking ticket if they didn't come back in time.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Generally speaking, once you hand over the keys to the valet, the valet can hold that car as long as you want it to be held. You would be charged for those hours, of course, and you would not be subject to the enforcement of those during the metered hours. Also, the parking meter revenue. Sorry, the parking citation revenue would probably go down in those lots. So, any other questions about valet parking before I move on to the next alternative parking

solution? So, at the September 3 meeting, the City Council asked that we remove the permit parking restrictions in the hill section, otherwise known as the downtown residential parking permit program area. And so, city staff removed those parking signs to allow for public parking. And now it's unrestricted parking. There's no time limit currently in those areas, except for wherever there is a street sweeping restriction. We do have some complaints from residents about the saturation of parking there. People are parking there all day and multiple days. We also have reports of residents that are claiming public parking spaces, either by putting cones out on the street or their trashcans in order to try to reserve some parking spaces on the street for themselves.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: No, no. I'm shocked.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: There are some options that you can look at. Basically, two changes and a restoration of the parking. So, you could restore the two-hour parking restrictions as they were before. You could restore the two-hour time restrictions, but allow for permit holders of lot M or Metlox permit holders to be able to park in those same areas as permit ease, and they would be able to park longer than those 2 hours limit. Two-hour limit. We could consider a change of the parking limit, hours to 3 hours parking time limit and allow for a little bit more public flexibility to park in that

area, but not allow them to park all day long or to maintain the current unrestricted status of the parking area. And so, we'll ask you to make that determination as part of this item today.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, a question there is how many lot M permittees might there be?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: There are over 400 permittees for our parking lots and another almost 100 monthly parking permit holders. So, we over subscribe the parking lot. There's only 260 parking spaces in the lower level.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so, but does that tend to manage. I mean, does that tend to, tend to accommodate because people are going in and out and things like that?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: On busy days? It generally does not. We have overflow parking that's allowed, which used to be the upper level of lot three. And so that's where the first overflow parking that they would use, lot seven, which is the Veterans parkway lot across from bonds. You're also allowed to park lot M permits there.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Thank you.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: And then as part of the demolition effort, there will be a lot of hauling of the materials out of the downtown area. And we were looking at what the preferred haul route would be to minimize impact to the downtown. And so, the haul route would generally be westbound on

Manhattan Beach Boulevard into the downtown area. That's our main road into the downtown, making a right turn onto Morningside, going onto the lot site or adjacent to it, and picking up the debris, and then going out Morningside Drive and turning right onto 13th street and back out onto Manhattan Beach Boulevard via Valley Drive. That means that on Tuesdays, either the contractor doesn't do deliveries or hauling, or we move the Farmer's Market on Tuesdays. And so, we were directed to take a look at alternative locations for the farmers market. We have found two viable locations that are on the screen in front of you that could accommodate the number of booth spaces for the farmers market and also provide for their support vehicles that are usually behind those booths. One is Manhattan Avenue between 9th street and 11th street. This would occupy about 50 parking spaces. And we have closed off this area for a variety of reasons for special events. So, it's not unusual that this area is closed off. We do this for the car show. We also do this for the open house and the fireworks as well. This would be every Tuesday, and we would close it off in a similar manner. We would still allow for local traffic to use 11th street from Manhattan Beach Boulevard, as you see there, and I'll explain in a second item first and then compare. The second location is the upper level of the civic center parking lot, basically the surface lot between the city hall and police fire building. This has about

59 parking spaces that would be used for the farmers market. By way of reference, the farmers market uses 37 spaces. Currently, this area could accommodate the booth spaces and the vehicles. The Downtown Business and Professional Association is also asking that the booths be allowed onto the plaza area, the Civic center plaza area, because of the number of booths that they have. This would maintain at least two handicapped parking spaces for the police fire in Civic city hall open to the public, as well as five additional parking spaces for visitors. There would be a short loading zone that's in front of the city hall main entrance for deliveries, FedEx, those kinds of things, as well as our brinks truck that comes in for the meter money. One of the requirements for a Farmer's Market is that there be bathroom facilities for that market and for the employees of that market in the civic center. That can be provided for with our public bathrooms in the City Hall or the Police Department.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Or library.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: But on the area of Manhattan Avenue, there are no public restrooms that are available. You'd either have to make some other existing private bathrooms made open to the public or provide for portable restrooms on Tuesdays for that. For that reason, you have to be within about 200ft of the farmer's market for that to qualify for health and safety. So, any questions about Farmers markets?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I have several. First, with the Farmer's Market, you and I have had an exchange regarding the handicapped spaces that are dedicated for the library and you indicated that there would be replacement spaces. Are those two spaces shown on the diagram the ones that would be acceptable for purposes of whatever our commitment is or requirement is for handicapped spaces for our county library.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: So, this would accommodate the equivalent number of parking spaces that we're offering. This parking lot or the parking spaces in Civic Center lot serve the city hall and the police, fire and the public library. The public library itself does not have any parking on its own that it has control over the library. Also, customers also use lot six, which is across the street on Highland Avenue. And that also has handicap parking provided for it. So that's actually the closest handicap parking to.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Can you point out again where short term deliveries and pickups would park? I believe it's shown on the diagram in the upper right hand. And is that sufficient for vehicles to pull in and then to back out, particularly on a Farmers market day with pedestrians?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: I got a little pointer here. If you're looking at the back screen and it's not showing up because it's too light. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: This new technology.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: White laser.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: So, the cross hatched area on the left-hand side of this, of the image has a truck with a red cab on it. That's the loading area that would be used for deliveries for city hall. If you're delivering to the library, then that's on Highland Avenue and that we already have a loading zone for that. We can expand that area and also make it available to the city hall for deliveries there.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Final question on the Farmers Market. Relocation. Proposed relocation to the city hall. I wanted to confirm, would the restroom in the police fire facility be sufficient or would there need to be supplemental restrooms on Farmers market days, which are Tuesdays?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: I don't have that exact answer. It needs to have at least one bathroom for every 15 employees. I don't know what they term employees, and I don't know what they consider the number of bathrooms or bathroom stalls.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Sorry, follow up question. Would that be something that the city would pay for or perhaps the downtown, the business and professional association, which sponsors and manages the market.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: So, with regard to the Manhattan Avenue portable restrooms and the payment for that, that's undecided at this time.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Thank you. I have other questions related to the traffic patterns, but I presume you wanted focus on the Farmers market.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah, Mayor Pro Tem?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, just following up on Councilmember Lesser's questions, they would also be able to access the bathrooms at city hall.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: That's correct.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, you would have the police and fire bathrooms, and you'd have the ones upstairs, the one downstairs here at city hall, public, but you're open anyway.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: That would be more than sufficient.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. And so, what are the hours on the Tuesday? Because don't you have winter hours? No, it's all the same. Was it at one time? Oh, okay. So, but is it, you know, for setup and then take down?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: There's setup time and then there's take and then there's take down time. 09:00 a.m. to 04:00 p.m. is the FARMERS market hours. And then you have set up before that.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: All right.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Oh, that's include setup?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Correct. It's the actual. Okay. And so, in terms of time, is this only necessary during the demo or is it also going to be necessary during the construction?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: So initially speaking, the demolition process will need to have the farmers market moved on Tuesdays. Once that's done, then we can allow the Farmers market to go back into its original space. Once construction starts on the parking structure itself, the new parking structure, then it will likely have a period where it will also be closed for some construction purposes. Not all the time. We don't know what that amount of time is during the construction of the surface lot. We probably will not have to close it on Tuesdays.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so 40 days of demolition, all the materials are out. Right. So then can it go back?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Yes, then it can go back. So, six or seven times that the Farmers market needs to, six to seven Tuesdays.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Six or seven Tuesdays. Okay, great. All right. Any other questions? No okay. So that's it. Right.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: And we're moving on at the, the staff recommendations, and I'm happy to answer any other questions that you might have or move on.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Sure. Councilmember Lesser.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: So, I've had an exchange with you regard to some of the proposed supplemental parking locations, and I wanted to go through them because I wasn't quite sure of your responses, particular with option two and option three, which have to do with adding spaces on Morningside drive, right by Metlox Plaza to the east. And maybe you can show.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Yeah, we can bring up a graphic of that.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I'll ask the question while we're getting the slide up.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: And that has to do with my concern for all of the concentration of vehicles at present, let alone adding parking spaces. Trucks are parking throughout the day, whether or not they're permitted to do so. Portions of the sidewalk are closed on the west side and as a result, you have

pedestrians in the street, cars backing into and out of spaces, trucks stopped to add. Parking staff has done exactly what council asked to look at all possible parking spaces. But I'm wondering if this is a really wise decision to put more concentration and intensification on Morningside Drive when already it's pretty clustered. Add to that demolition and all of their trucks and their vehicles.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: And that's a great question to ask. As I mentioned, there's always a compromise with these parking spaces. And so, by changing the parallel parking spaces to diagonal parking spaces, you would remove the bicycle lane, but it also means that you have only one travel lane, which is right now currently the loading zone for the restaurants along the north side of Manhattan Beach Boulevard. Sorry. Yes, the north side of Manhattan Beach Boulevard. What we would likely do is we would have a part time loading zone in those diagonal parking spaces in the mornings and so that we can have loading operation done along Morningside. And then the users will get to know that and come and deliver in the mornings and then have, when the, when the parking demand goes up at eleven or 12:00 in the afternoon, then we would revert back to a diagonal parking arrangement.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: What's the remedy when delivery trucks inevitably stop anyway, notwithstanding the fact that

they're not allowed and traffic can back up, which I've experienced several times now. Current configuration?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Sure. The police department's only a short walk away.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Okay. With regards to --.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Did you hear that Chief?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: -- option five, the removal of a lane of traffic on southbound valley towards Manhattan Beach Boulevard. I just wanted to make sure where it's two way north of 13th street. It would turn to one direction as it to the south. But there'd be, the lane would have to pivot those and vehicles would have to pivot from the right lane over to the left, correct? Is that not?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: There's a shift that goes on to move over. We haven't shown all the details of the striping that would go along with that.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I'm worried about the backup that might occur with just one lane of traffic, even with a common weekday rush hour traffic.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: Right. So, if you'll notice the street, Valley drive widens up as you get close to Manhattan Beach Boulevard in the southbound direction. So, you will have two lanes of traffic through the intersection of Manhattan Beach Boulevard. And you'll have also the left turn

pocket. So that accommodates the volume of traffic that's needed. The section to the north is no different than the section between 13th and 15th, where there only is one lane. So, there's one lane coming into this area. We're extending that another 200ft. That's all.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Let me leave it at that for now. Thank you.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Any other questions? So, what is the net gain if we were to say yes to all this?

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: So, the net gain with the parking spaces that we've already got in place and the ones that you would approve today is 90 new parking spaces.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: 90. Okay. And there was some question, like, there was a 58 number. There's 58 that are okay.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: 58 are already okay.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: And you need sort of our help.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: On the other 32.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER ZANDVLIET: And those are the five locations that you mentioned that we mentioned in the report.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. All right. Any more questions? Anybody? Okay, let's open it up for public comment, please. Here in the chambers.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Sorry.

JILL LAMPKIN: You yawned as I walked up here?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No. No.

JILL LAMPKIN: I won't take offense. Good evening, Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, City Council. Jill Lampkin, Executive Director for the Downtown Business and Professional Association. I have to say I find this one meeting item very difficult for me to only get two minutes of public comment on, because there are so many things that run into this. So, I'm going to stay on here for questions in case other things come up. But my primary conversation wants to be about the Farmers market right now. Mayor Pro Tem was in an hours long meeting with, I think, pretty much every department. And we all agreed that the civic center lot made the most sense for a lot of reasons. The first is all of our equipment and everything is in the closet in the Farmers market, in the Metlox. And so, like the porter service, to take that all down, different barricades, different signage, different everything, would be a pretty big deal. They mentioned the public restrooms, which were required by LA County Health Department to have. The other issue is the three compartment sinks that we have to have within a certain number of feet of different vendors. And it took Cynthia, our market manager, about 6 hours to figure out exactly where everybody could go in the civic center lot and on the plaza and still make it work

with the number of three compartment sinks that we have. There's no way with the singular line down Manhattan Avenue make that work. So, no public restrooms and we can't make the three-compartment sink issue work. All the trash is centralized at Metlox. Our dumpsters are at Metlox that we pay for. So that would be a whole other traffic issue. But the biggest one for me is that the 50 plus parking spaces that are restaurant and retail adjacent that we would be taking up down there. Right now, that's a really hard ask for them because we're lost on spaces. I have lots more. If you have questions, I can give you more. And I do have comments about valet. And the neighborhood parking permits too, if you have time.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: See, I stayed awake. I didn't yawn at all there.

STEFAN KAMPA: Stefan Kampa once again, I would just like someone, maybe Eric, if you could just highlight the urgency of making this decision based on when we start the demo and the lead times to actually get things in place so that we know our priorities and how fast we have to make this decision.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Wrong turn.

JIM BURTON: Jim Burton, Downtown resident. Good evening, Mr. Mayor. Mayor Pro Tem, Council there was a lot to unpack and I've got either the noise and the demolition, the farmers market and or the parking permit program. I will deal

with noise. I am in full support of extending hours for the demolition. I think that's a great idea. I wasn't clear whether I heard it was 06:00 a.m. I don't know when it's going to end. That's seven days a week, a couple holidays or something. I will tell you this, that 06:00 a.m. not necessarily for me, but 06:00 a.m. crushing concrete and breaking noise is going to be a big ask to the people on the hill, especially on that upper level. The sound is going to travel and so think about the hours and when it's going to happen. But for the residents that live up on the hill, crushing concrete and breaking concrete at 06:00 a.m. is a lot of noise. And so, if you maybe start a little later in the morning, extend a little later in the evening, it might be helpful. I will leave the rest of it. There's a lot I do. Let me say one thing. I got a minute. I do think that residents who live up on the hill as part of that program, taking the two-hour signs down. I do think that's having an impact. I know I've heard from some that maybe it hasn't, but I think you've got others that are coming in, leaving their cars there, maybe longer, not only 2 hours, but maybe a couple days. And I do think that's having an impact for what's up on the hill. Thank you for your time.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thanks.

STEVE CHARELIAN: Good evening, honorable Mayor, members of the City Council, Steve Charelian. Again, Council

declared this an emergency and I think staffs responded, applaud them for turning this around so quickly and thinking outside the box for all the spaces. A couple of concerns. I do agree that the override parking signs were kind of taken out pretty rather quickly. I've been hearing from those residents. It is somewhere that people park for long periods of time. I think at a minimum, you put a three or four-hour period there. And then I do agree with the Farmers market being at upper civic. That makes sense but I would like to analyze what we're using upper civic for. Not too many people come into city hall anymore. There's 54 spaces up there and the library parking for the employees. We give them library parking at the upper Metlox permits for that location as well as well as the commercial parking. I do want to indicate that we have about two and a half permits for each parking space. We issue about two and a half parking permits for each space. So, the upper lot three, that went away, that was 50 spaces. That's kind of exasperating the upper Metlox, which is prime parking. It's supposed to be mainly on lower Metlox. So, what's important is to make sure that we do look at those permits and the override program for the commercial parking because it is exasperating into the neighborhoods. And then one last thing is lot eight. Have we done everything we can to take a look at lot eight? I know we've always talked about potentially metering that we couldn't because of the coastal

zone. It might be important to take a deeper dive into that if we have declared an emergency.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Lot eight is where?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: It's the Pier.

STEVE CHARELIAN: No Lot eight is between 15th street and Manhattan Beach Boulevard, between Valley and Ardmore, there's 50 spaces there.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: All right, thanks. Any more comments, council? Would you just indulge, maybe allowing Jill to speak another two minutes since she's the subject matter expert?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, we also have online comments potential, but of course we can indulge Jill if she has more to say.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: You had me at Civic center.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah, you had me at Civic center.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: The three compartment sinks.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: But then the people that parked there, where are they going park, you know, it's just this escalating thing. Okay, anybody online?

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

MAYOR FRANKLIN: No requests on Zoom. So, before I close public comments, you're fine. Okay, thank you. All right, so we'll close public comments. Comments?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Can we go back the screen of things that were being asked for us to?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I was going to. I pressed my button to speak, Mr. Mayor. I was going to say we should buy for. We should divide this up.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Well, the last screen had, the slide had it.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, I was going to say, I think that we can probably very quickly say. I'd like to make a motion.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Second.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: -- is a need to continue the emergency action.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Third.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Get that out of the way. Okay, can we call for that question?

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: So we need all of us, because Councilmember Montgomery.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Exactly. If it fails, we're done.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Let me see. So, we've got a motion to extend the emergency action by Mayor Pro Tem. Seconded.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yep.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Seconded by --.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: By David. Councilmember Lesser.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Councilmember Lesser. I don't see it.
Oh, you're going to go voice.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: It's voice, right? Okay, I made the motion. I have made the motion a couple times here. I've pressed the button. David, seconded. Here we are.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Seconded by Councilmember Lesser.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We got this. We can do this.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. Got our votes.

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 4-0-1.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, that sounded all right.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, on that slide that they brought up, though, it doesn't kind of give us all the specific things that. I mean, I guess it sort of does. Is there anything on this list that is easier to discuss than the others? Because I think some of the. There's complexity with a bunch of these. But to me, since there's two choices, Farmers market. I say we talk about that first. But Councilmember Napolitano has his red pen up, which I think means something.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I'll just go through the list. Yes, on additional parking space in downtown. No on valley parking service, residential parking permit program. I'm with the second option. Which is --.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Three hour.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Well, no. It was the restore the permit and then let the lot M permit holders park up there, and then Farmers market relocation put in the Civic center.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Second.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: That's my motion.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Friendly question amendment.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: But just a question. When you talk about additional parking spaces in the downtown area, did you, were you in favor of all the ones that we needed to either remove a bike lane or.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: We said we were going to treat this as an emergency.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: And just like in COVID, there might be some that don't work out. We can address that at the time, but until we find out they don't work out, by all means we need to do it. If we can get 90 out of this, 75 with a surface, we'll exceed what we lost. And that's all within the downtown area, without need for valet, without need for a

shuttle service or anything else. It makes perfect sense to at least try it.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: This seems to be the new way of requesting.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Red pen.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Councilmember Lesser's red pen.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Was it red?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah, it was red. I have one too.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I'd like to request a friendly amendment which is simply to direct staff to double check to make sure Morningside is going to meet acceptable standards for.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I have every confidence that they checked it already and they've triple checked it and if it doesn't work out, we'll take it away.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: He denies you're friendly --.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, so can you just review that again now that I have my pen on that page?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes. On the additional parking space in the Downtown area, all of them.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Until we know that any of them don't work out. No. On valley parking service, the cost exceeds the benefit there. And like I said, if we get the 90

plus 75, we won't need it. Downtown residential parking permit program. I'm in favor of restoring that, keeping the 2 hours and allowing the lot M permit holders to park in the same area. Farmers market relocations put it in the Civic center.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: And I seconded that. We still have to discuss a vendor for the demolition.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Oh, 190,000?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: There discussion.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: We would have to agree.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: They verified that they can do it.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Why would we pay more?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: So, let's do that. Wouldn't that be part of the motion as well?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: He took my friendly amendment.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay. What was it? It was American demolition?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: American Wrecking.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: We'll come back with the contract on a future agenda. We're going to execute the contract, but bring it back to ratify at a future agenda.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: We're giving you direction.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I'm assuming the high bidder was Troy lucky, former resident here who I went to school with.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Mr. Mayor, I think, you know, for those of you watching at home, it seems like we went through that really quickly. We did. But I also want to give huge credit to staff. Okay. You're getting applause from people that don't usually applaud. They're fair. But honestly, you looked at everything that we asked you to look at. And you came back with the right information for us to make the decisions, whether it was, you know, all the metrics that went into the valet parking, how you figured all that out, and then all the different spots. We can do anything. I really. Especially the traffic engineer. Just excellent work.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Call for the question.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: I did, didn't I?

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: I echo those comments. Thank you.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Call for the question.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: And here we go.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: We're now waiting on Councilmember Napolitano to vote by the way.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I'm thinking about it.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Where's his red pen? You can't use the red pen on the screen.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I just clicked it. It's not working.

COUNCILMEMBER LESSER: Here. Use your pen.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: You should verify.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Is it? What's wrong?

CITY CLERK TAMURA: It's not working?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: No.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Look at, awe.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: It worked out?

CITY CLERK TAMURA: Motion passes, 4-0-1.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Using the wrong finger, I guess.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: We got the residents taken care of?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: All right, moving on from number nine. We've already done ten. And item L, council city request and reports, including AB 1234.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Yeah, we need a third for that? Oh, no, that's 1234.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: No, the 1234. Anybody? Anybody?

Bueller?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: No, your honor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, that's done. Item number twelve, consider a request by Mayor Franklin and Mayor Pro Tem Howorth to discuss changing the start time of the street closures for the holiday fireworks event. We need a second on that?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: You need a third.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Third. I'll be your third.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Okay, great. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: I'll be your Huckleberry.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Any future agenda items?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes, your honor. I'd like to see if we can put together an ordinance that requires that any time a cable company installs a new cable service to a residence, that they have to remove the wires that were there for an old cable service.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Okay.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I'll second that. That's a mess. Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: For everyone who votes for undergrounding, one of the biggest contributors to all the wires being overhead is the overlay upon, overlay upon over.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Don't sell it. You've got your vote to bring it back.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Wow.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Well, it's a brown. You know, I don't want to.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Yes, mom, thanks.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Just another couple of weeks. City Manager report.

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: Nothing to report this evening.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you. City Attorney.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Nothing tonight.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Informational items, none. And so, we got the minutes. Are we all set? Do we have to discuss any of this? Item 14 or 15, or just there for information?

ACTING CITY MANAGER MIRZAKHANI: Correct. Informational only.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: I don't know what the closed session means.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: When we have informational, though, can we put in what the restaurant is, for instance, or -
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MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: Staff report?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Things like that.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: For 15?

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Well, it goes back to my, well, it's coming back. Forget it. I ask that it be brought back regarding a possible appeal item, but I think the Mayor is trying to extend it since this is his last full meeting as Mayor.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, we're going to, well, do I announce the close what we're going to adjourn to. And then we need to adjourn in the memory?

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: Do the adjournment.

CITY ATTORNEY BARROW: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER NAPOLITANO: In the memory of.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Yeah. Okay, so we're going to adjourn to the memory of Michael Johnson. And because she was close to the family and a neighbor, we're going to allow. Mayor Pro Tem, did you need the obituary?

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: No. I mean, I'm not going to. I won't be able to do justice with or without an obituary, but, okay. So, Mike Johnson was a longtime resident here in Manhattan beach, and he lived up the alley from me. And you've never met a more positive guy. He would do his morning walks and that smile on his face. You couldn't imagine that that man had nothing but a fabulously lucky and healthy life or happy life. And he did because he chose to. He chose to be that person. He had a son,

Matt, who this weekend at the hometown fair, there will be a blood drive in honor of who died. Matt was, I think, twelve years old when he passed away from cancer, and yet Mike chose to be that person. He's very active in American Martyrs. He was incredibly active with the hometown fair board. And he was the kind of person that was there for everybody. I was stunned. Not stunned, because this happens in our life. But Mike is somebody who will really, really be missed in our community. He did so much. And as we adjourn, let's think of Mike and choose to smile when it's really hard, because it matters to other people.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: Thank you, Mayor Pro Tem.

MAYOR PRO TEM HOWORTH: And please consider participating in the Mike Johnson Memorial blood drive this weekend.

MAYOR FRANKLIN: So, we are adjourning to a closed session on Monday, October 7, 2024, at 05:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.