

**MINUTES OF THE
REDONDO BEACH HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2022**

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A Virtual meeting of the Harbor Commission was held pursuant to California Assembly Bill 361 and City Council action and was called to order by Chair Carlson at 6:30 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Bauer, Callahan, Carlson, Chrzan, Kilroy, Light, Walters

Officials Present: Laurie Koike, Acting Director, Waterfront & Economic Development
Elizabeth Hause, Assistant to the City Manager
Antonio Gardea, Senior Planner
Andy Winje, City Engineer

C. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Light led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

D. APPROVAL OF ORDER OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Callahan, to approve the order of the agenda, as presented. Motion carried, without objection.

E. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS – ADDITIONAL BACK UP MATERIALS - None

E.1 For Blue Folder Documents Approved at the Harbor Commission Meeting

Acting Director, Laurie Koike reported Blue Folder Items include a PowerPoint presentation from Senior Planner Antonio Gardea regarding Item No. J1.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

F.1. APPROVAL OF AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE HARBOR COMMISSION MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2022

F.2. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES: DECEMBER 13, 2021

Motion by Commissioner Callahan, seconded by Commissioner Kilroy, to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented. Motion carried, without objection.

G. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - None

H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

H.1 For eComments and Emails Received from the Public

W.E.D. Representative Hause reported there were no eComments or public communications received for non-agenda items.

I. EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner Light reported sharing emails with staff regarding Item No. J1.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS

J.1. CONSIDERATION OF AN EXEMPTION DECLARATION AND GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, HARBOR COMMISSION DESIGN REVIEW, AND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A RECREATION FACILITY ON PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN A COASTAL COMMERCIAL (CC-1) ZONE, IN THE COASTAL ZONE AT INTERNATIONAL BOARDWALK PAD #10

Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Light, to open the public hearing. Motion carried, without objection.

Senior Planner Antonio Gardea narrated a PowerPoint presentation with details of the proposed project.

City Engineer Andy Winje and project designer Vince Onel from Spohn Ranch responded to questions from the Commission regarding hours of operation, mitigating noise, security, railings and fencing, the status of the nearby restrooms, access, bicycle racks, differences in funding packages, the potential to install artwork, applying prior Harbor Commission suggestions to the current design, funding sources, reaching out to Kincaid's and businesses along the boardwalk, the possibility of presenting to the Pier Association, maximum capacity, potential restrictions (i.e., age), and yearly maintenance costs.

In reply to Commissioner Light's question, Senior Planner Gardea reported the ordinance stating no skating on the pier is not part of the LCP and noted that changes in the ordinances would not have to be heard by the Coastal Commission for certification. Commissioner Light suggested limiting the hours of operation until sunset.

Discussion followed regarding the findings relative to consistency with the LCP and consistency with design elements currently at the pier, concerns with parking eBikes in or out of the facility because of increased thefts, other potential uses for the park and the installation timeline.

Commissioner Chrzan agreed with setting hours of operation from dawn to dusk; noted there is no mention of electrical elements; suggested that Spohn Ranch serve as advisors; spoke about adding bicycle racks in the parking area close to Kincaid's; commented on seating, benches and other uses such as classes; discussed covers for the railings during non-skating events and inspections and suggested installing foldable/removable fencing for non-skating events.

Commissioner Bauer expressed concerns regarding enforcement and commented on the possibility of installing a gate at the end of the bollards.

Commissioner Light felt gates would be costly and not useful and spoke about needing to move the project forward.

Vince Onel presented details of various design concepts; spoke about the future installation of artwork including a mural and noted this will be a well-used facility.

Commissioner Walters discussed the life span of the facility and asked about maintenance requirements and addressed signage.

Chair Carlson invited public comments.

Susie Woelke referenced sound tests; expressed concerns regarding noise and capacity; reported speaking with skateboarders who indicated they are not interested in the park and asked about drawing kids into the park as it does not present enough challenge.

W.E.D Representative Hause read an eComment received from Amy Hoffman in opposition to the project.

Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Light, to close the public hearing. Motion carried, without objection.

Commissioner Chrzan suggested recommending that City Council consider a contingency plan if noise is a problem.

Commissioner Callahan expressed concerns regarding the noise level and suggested conducting robust sound tests before moving the project forward.

Commissioner Kilroy commented on the underutilized pad through the years; believed the park will attract younger kids; discussed the importance of reaching out to area businesses to get their buy-in and felt that noise will not be a big issue during the day.

Commissioner Walters asserted the park will be used by younger skateboarders as older skateboarders prefer increased challenges and suggested lowering the occupancy rate on a trial basis.

Commissioner Bauer stated he would like to have additional data regarding noise and agreed with the need to engage area businesses and analyze impacts before moving ahead.

Commissioner Chrzan suggested setting the hours of operation from 9:00 a.m. to dusk.

Commissioner Light referenced a noise study in relation to a skate park in another city and commented on the proximity of the closest facility.

Discussion followed regarding previous noise studies, the relevancy of ambient noise and challenges with enforcing occupancy.

Chair Carlson commented on noise issues and hoped it can be mitigated.

Motion by Commissioner Light, seconded by Kilroy, to modify the CUP to set operating hours from 9:00 a.m. to sunset, adopt the resolution approving the masterplan project as presented except for artwork / graphics, that the railings design mirror the railing around the rest of the pier, to recommend that City Council direct staff to change the ordinance that prohibits skateboarding on the pier and recommend that they find funding for the full master plan. Motion carried 6-1, with the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Callahan, Carlson, Chrzan, Kilroy, Light, Walters
NOES:	Bauer
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

K. ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS AGENDAS - None

L. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ACTION

L.1. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE KING HARBOR PUBLIC AMENITIES PLAN PROCESS AND TIMELINE

Acting Director Koike provided an update on the King Harbor Public Amenities Plan process and timeline.

Chair Carlson added to the update and addressed upcoming community input meetings.

Commissioner Light asked about consideration of the draft plan by the Harbor Commission and suggested agendaizing review of the draft plan.

Motion by Commissioner Light, seconded by Commissioner Bauer, to place a review of the draft King Harbor Public Amenities Plan on the Harbor Commission's next agenda. Motion carried, without objection.

Commissioner Light commented on making the Redondo Beach Harbor the educational center for aquaculture on the former Crab Shack site.

Chair Carlson invited public comments.

Mark Hansen spoke in support of the Harbor Commission reviewing the King Harbor Public Amenities Plan at its March meeting.

L.2. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Previous Council Items

- City Council approved the Strategic Plan
- City Council approved two amendments with Master Lease Holders Jackbilt, Inc. and Shade Hotel and a consent to amendment between Jackbilt and the Cheesecake Factory

Upcoming Council Items

- City Council will consider three leases at Pier Plaza
- City Council will receive a report on the City's sailing program in March

Miscellaneous Follow-up Items

- Update regarding the topic of live-aboards
- Spoke about the signals on Yacht Club Way
- Discussed remodeling of two pier restrooms to meet ADA requirements
- Addressed the 2022/2023 Budget Process
- Provided an update regarding CARB
- Talked about upcoming events

Chair Carlson asked for a report on the Yacht Club Way signal work and in response to his question about funding for sea-level rise, Acting Director Koike noted the subject is a City Council priority.

Commissioner Chrzan asked about an update on parking on Mole B, and it was noted conversations are still occurring with Majestic KHM .

Discussion followed regarding the Master Lease Holder for the Cheesecake Factory.

W.E.D Representative Hause announced she has accepted a position as Assistant to the City Manager.

M. ITEMS FROM STAFF

N. COMMISSION ITEMS AND REFERRALS TO STAFF

Commissioner Light requested an update on the Harbor Dredging project.

Chair Carlson asked about the possibility of allowing free parking in the RB Marina parking lot with a standard City metered permit to encourage residents to visit the pier.

Commissioner Bauer spoke about the installation of car charging stations.

Discussion followed regarding receiving a presentation on aquaculture in the near future.

Motion by Commissioner Light, seconded by Commissioner Bauer, to place a presentation regarding aquaculture on the Harbor Commission's April agenda.

Substitute Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Callahan, to direct staff to place presentation regarding aquaculture, on a future agenda, TBD staff. Motion failed 3-4, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Callahan, Kilroy, Walters
NOES: Light, Chrzan, Bauer, Carlson
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

The original motion was restated.

Motion by Commissioner Light, seconded by Commissioner Bauer, to place a presentation regarding aquaculture on the Harbor Commission's April agenda. Motion carried 5-2, with the following roll call vote:

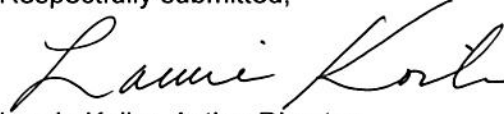
AYES: Light, Chrzan, Bauer, Carlson, Walters
NOES: Callahan, Kilroy
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Kilroy, seconded by Commissioner Callahan, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, without objection.

At 9:15 p.m., Chair Carlson adjourned the meeting to March 14, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laurie Koike". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Laurie" and last name "Koike" clearly distinguishable.

Laurie Koike, Acting Director
Waterfront & Economic Development