

# CITY OF SOLANA BEACH

SOLANA BEACH CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY,  
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY, & HOUSING AUTHORITY



## MINUTES

### Joint Special Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 \* 5:00 p.m.

City Hall / Council Chambers, 635 S. Highway 101, Solana Beach, California

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#### CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

**Lesa Heebner**  
Mayor

**David A. Zito**  
Councilmember District 1  
**Kristi Becker**  
Councilmember District 2

**Jewel Edson**  
Councilmember District 3  
**Jill MacDonald**  
Councilmember District 4

Gregory Wade  
City Manager

Johanna Canlas  
City Attorney

Angela Ivey  
City Clerk

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Mayor Heebner called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Lesa Heebner, David A. Zito, Jewel Edson, Kristi Becker, Jill MacDonald

Absent: None

Also Greg Wade, City Manager

Present: Johanna Canlas, City Attorney  
Angela Ivey, City Clerk  
Dan King, Assistant City Manager  
Mo Sammak, City Engineer/Public Works Dir.  
Rod Greek, Interim Finance Dir.  
Joseph Lim, Community Development Dir.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: None

#### FLAG SALUTE:

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**Motion:** Moved by Councilmember Becker and second by Councilmember Edson to approve.

**Approved 5/0.** Ayes: Heebner, Zito, Edson, Becker, MacDonald. Noes: None. Motion carried unanimously.

## **D. STAFF REPORTS: (D.1.)**

*Submit speaker slips to the City Clerk.*

*All speakers should refer to the public comment section at the beginning of the agenda for time allotments. Please be aware of the timer light on the Council Dais.*

### **D.1. Draft Work Plan – Fiscal Year (FY) 2023/2024.** (File 0410-08)

Recommendation: That the City Council

1. Receive public input and review, discuss and provide direction on potential modifications to the draft Fiscal Year 2023/24 Work Plan and provide direction to Staff.

Greg Wade, City Manager, introduced the item.

Dan King, Assistant City Manager, presented a powerpoint (on file).

Kristin Brinner spoke about prioritizing the development of a safe pedestrian crosswalk from Harbaugh Trails crossing Highway 101, the completion of the Local Implementation Plan (LIP), completing the certification process for the Local Coastal Program (LCP), and eliminating the pursuit of a Geologic Hazard Assessment District (GHAD) as it presents a serious risk to the City's property and has been evaluated in the past and rejected as an option.

Jim Jaffee stated that he was speaking on behalf of Surfrider Foundation, that he was one of four citizens who helped draft the LCP LUP, that the adoption of the full LCP was important so that the City could gain control of permitting and people wouldn't have to go to the Coastal Commission for permits, and that he hoped something could be done to get the LIP completed over the next year.

Vicki Cypherd spoke about the creation of Harbaugh Seaside trails, being inspired by the desire to preserve the panoramic view of the ocean and lagoon, her disappointment to learn that the unobstructed view might be marked by two large and costly traffic signals, the City taking baby steps to prevent people from illegally jaywalking across Highway 101, educating visitors and locals with signage in the area, modifying the dirt path that leads visitors toward Highway 101 to indicate they had reached the end of the trail and loop them back to the lower trail that runs parallel to Highway 101, public art being placed in the area as a creative and friendly reminder not to cross the highway, her support of an underground pedestrian tunnel, people walking a bit farther to the current crossing area, and the City exhibiting itself as a walkable and bikeable community.

Gerri Retman stated that she spent decades leading the charge to preserve the land now known as Harbaugh Trails and the view looking north on Highway 101, that she was against putting in two expensive traffic signals, that there are other options to prevent jaywalking via barriers, signage, patrol, and education.

Council and Staff discussed removing the language around geographic segmentation from the LIP, removing the GHAD, a view ordinance update and the changing state laws, parking signage when the new Park and Ride opens at Annie's Trail, traffic and parking management at Ocean Street and Circle Drive, an updated short term vacation rental permit ordinance,

possible sites for dog parks, design options for the Marine Safety Center, the La Colonia Park improvements survey, the current construction phase of the Loma Santa Fe Corridor Project and moving to the design phase, the e-bike ordinance and safety including signage, traffic signals at Harbaugh Trails, community engagement for the Santa Helena Neighborhood Trail, leading traffic pedestrian signals, Fletcher Cove and El Viento pathway options, a first-story retail ordinance to keep restaurants and retailers on the first story along portions of Cedros and Highway 101, reviewing flexibility in the affordable housing ordinance, revamping the Coastal Rail Trail, the CEA Program operations and expansion, conducting a hotel Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) audit and tracking unpermitted vacation rentals for compliance, enhancing the online Council Meeting agenda record, and updating the Deputy Mayor Rotation Policy.

**ADJOURN:**

Mayor Heebner adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Megan Bavin, Deputy City Clerk

Council Approved: May 10, 2023