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NEWPORT BEACH

Harbor Commission Staff Report

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Agenda Item No. 6.1

TO: HARBOR COMMISSION

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TITLE: Resolution Adopting Recommended Revisions to the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code

ABSTRACT:

At the February 11, 2026 Harbor Commission meeting, Commissioners agreed to recommendations of the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code and directed staff to return with a resolution reflecting the recommended changes.

This action will adopt the resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) Determine this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15060(c)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because this action will not result in a physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly; and
- 2) Approve staff recommendation to adopt Harbor Commission Resolution HC2026-1 reflecting recommended revisions to the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

DISCUSSION:

At the February 11, 2026, Harbor Commission meeting, proposed revisions to the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code were discussed. These recommendations resulted from the subcommittee responsible for the current Harbor Commission Objective number one, the title of which is "Conduct annual review of Title 17 and recommend updates to City Council where necessary."

After considering input from the public, the Commissioners agreed to the subcommittee's recommended revisions and directed staff to return with a resolution reflecting the adopted recommended revisions and forward them to the City Council.

The attached resolution reflects minor, non-substantive edits contributed during review by the City Attorney. The edits improve clarity and consistency with other sections of the Municipal Code.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

Staff recommends the Harbor Commission find this action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in a physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

NOTICING:

The agenda item has been noticed according to the Brown Act (72 hours in advance of the meeting at which the Harbor Commission considers the item).

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – HC2026-01 Harbor Commission Resolution Adopting Recommended Revisions to the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code
Attachment B – Adopted Recommended Revisions to NBMC – REDLINE
Attachment C – Adopted Recommended Revisions to NBMC – CLEAN