



**CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

**AUGUST 18, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 100 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660**

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 5:00 P.M.

**LAUREN KLEIMAN, Mayor
NOAH BLOM, Mayor Pro Tem
MICHELLE BARTO, Councilmember
ROBYN GRANT, Councilmember
JOE STAPLETON, Councilmember
SARA J. WEBER, Councilmember
ERIK WEIGAND, Councilmember**

**SEIMONE JURJIS, City Manager
AARON C. HARP, City Attorney
LENA SHUMWAY, City Clerk**

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I. **ROLL CALL - 5:00 p.m.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The City Council of Newport Beach welcomes and encourages community participation. Public comments are invited on items listed on the agenda and non-agenda items. Speakers must limit comments to three minutes per person to allow everyone to speak. Written comments are encouraged as well. The City Council has the discretion to extend or shorten the time limit on agenda or non-agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT AGENDA

Speakers must limit comments to three minutes.

II. **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Resolution No. 2026-59: Supporting the Adoption of House Resolution 1188 and Senate Concurrent Resolution 192**

a) 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

b) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-59, *A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Newport Beach, California, Supporting the Adoption of House Resolution 1188 (Expressing Support for the Work of Open Water Lifeguards as First Responders and Emergency Response Providers) and Senate Concurrent Resolution 192 (Open Water Lifeguards).*

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A - Resolution No. 2026-59](#)

[Attachment B- House Resolution 1188](#)

[Attachment C- Senate Concurrent Resolution 192](#)

III. CURRENT BUSINESS

2. **Proposed Ballot Questions for Three Citizen-Sponsored Charter Amendment Initiatives**

a) 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

b) Determine that this action is being taken to comply with the court's orders and does not: (1) determine that the proponents complied with the Elections Code posting and publication requirements; (2) determine that any initiative petition contains sufficient valid signatures; (3) call an election or place any measure on a ballot; (4) request consolidation of an election; or (5) waive the City's positions concerning timing, procedure, or authority as set forth in its motion for reconsideration; and

c) Approve the following proposed ballot questions, which will be presented to the City Council for the election-related actions at a regular City Council meeting if the measures qualify for the ballot: (1) Public Meetings, Records, Oversight, and Enforcement Initiative: "Shall the measure amending the City of Newport Beach Charter to establish new Charter requirements governing public meetings, public records, government oversight, and enforcement, be adopted?"; (2) Lifetime City Council Term Limit Initiative: "Shall the measure amending the City of Newport Beach Charter to impose a lifetime two-term limit on City Council service, for a maximum of eight years of service on the City Council, regardless of any break in service, be adopted?"; and (3) District-Only Voting Initiative: "Shall the measure amending the City of Newport Beach Charter to require that City Council members be elected by voters residing within the district the Council member represents, instead of by all City of Newport Beach voters, be adopted?"

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[Attachment A - Establishing Charter Provisions for Public Meetings](#)

[Attachment B - Term Limits Initiative](#)

[Attachment C - District Voting Initiative](#)

IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

A motion to reconsider the vote on any action taken by the City Council at either this meeting or the previous meeting may be made only by one of the Councilmembers who voted with the prevailing side.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION

V. CLOSED SESSION

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
EXISTING LITIGATION**

Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1): 2 matters.

*A. City of Newport Beach v. Newport Beach Stewardship Association &
Newport Beach Stewardship Association v. Lena Shumway et al.
Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2026-01559183*

*B. City of Newport Beach et al. v. Robert Page et al.
Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2026-01580961*

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

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