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NEWPORT BEACH

Harbor Commission Staff Report

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Agenda Item No. 7.3

TO: HARBOR COMMISSION

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TITLE: Create and Appoint Members to a Proposed Ad-Hoc Committee for the Harbor and Beaches Master Plan

ABSTRACT:

At the Harbor Commission meeting on December 10, 2021, the Harbor Commission requested to establish a Subcommittee to review the Harbor and Beaches Master Plan in greater detail than was feasible at that meeting. Once convened, it is anticipated the Subcommittee will review the current Harbor and Beaches Master Plan and make recommendations on potential changes, additions, deletions, and priorities in advance of a future Capital and Master Plan review cycle.

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) Establish a subcommittee and appoint Harbor Commissioners to review and recommend revisions to the current Harbor and Beaches Master Plan. Identify up to three Harbor Commissioners to serve on the subcommittee.

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

DISCUSSION:

The Harbor Commission typically sets up Ad-Hoc Committees or Sub-committees to review various policies within the harbor. Based on recent discussions at the Harbor Commission, the Commission requested a new subcommittee be convened to review the Harbor and Beaches Master Plan in more detail that could be conducted during a Harbor Commission meeting. The purpose of the subcommittee is to research and evaluate items already on the Harbor and Beaches Master Plan and consider others that may be added. The subcommittee will return to the full Harbor Commission to report on their efforts and any recommendations.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

Staff recommends the City Council 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, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in 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 City Council considers the item).