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# NEWPORT BEACH

## Harbor Commission Staff Report

November 9, 2022  
Agenda Item No. 6.1

**TO:** HARBOR COMMISSION

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**TITLE:** Harbor and Beaches Master Plan Projects – Review

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**ABSTRACT:**

The Harbor Commission subcommittee has reviewed the Harbor and Beaches Master Plan (“PLAN”) and is seeking input from the Harbor Commission. It is anticipated the subcommittee will return with a final draft for approval at the December meeting.

**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) Receive and file.

**FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:**

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

**DISCUSSION:**

Per the direction of the City Council, the Harbor Commission assists in developing the Plan which identifies future larger, capital projects and the funding mechanisms to achieve those goals. It is designed to be a “living document” to provide a roadmap for harbor and beach-based projects, but it also has the flexibility to be adjusted as needed. It is considered a planning document to assist in the creation of the annual Capital Improvement Program which ultimately becomes part of the City’s annual budget.

At the July Harbor Commission meeting, a subcommittee was formed to review the Plan. At tonight’s meeting, the subcommittee will review their recommendations and seek input from the

Commission. It is anticipated the subcommittee will return in November for final Harbor Commission approval.

Please see the approved 2022 Plan included as Attachment A. The subcommittee recommends the following additions to the Plan:

**Potential Projects:**

- Restrooms (shoreside): Improve existing
- Fire Safety Boat: \$2M

Please note that general proofreading of the Plan (general cleanup, date adjustments, etc.) will occur before the plan is finalized at later date.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

Staff recommends the Harbor Commission find this action exempt from 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 Harbor Commission considers the item).

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A – 2022 Harbor and Beaches Master Plan Projects