



NEWPORT BEACH

City Council Staff Report

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Agenda Item No. 12

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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TITLE: Harbor Commission 2024 Objectives

ABSTRACT:

The Harbor Commission periodically prepares objectives and devises workplans to accomplish those objectives. An ad hoc subcommittee was appointed to conduct a review of the Commission's most recent objectives adopted in 2022 and recommend modifications to be reviewed by the entire Harbor Commission. At its October 11 meeting, the Harbor Commission discussed and approved a final version of its 2024 objectives. Additionally, the Commission requested the objectives be forwarded to the City Council for review and consideration.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 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) Receive and file the Harbor Commission's 2024 objectives.

DISCUSSION:

The Harbor Commission periodically prepares objectives and devises workplans to accomplish those objectives. The cycle for objective setting is roughly each calendar year. An ad hoc subcommittee led by Chair Steve Scully was convened at the July 2023 Harbor Commission meeting. The ad hoc subcommittee presented a progress report at the September Harbor Commission meeting and recommendations for the 2024 objectives at the October meeting. The recommendations were approved by the full Commission at its October meeting. The recommended 2024 Harbor Commission objectives and Commissioner assignments are included in Attachment A. The Harbor Commission requested that its 2024 objectives be presented to the City Council for consideration and review.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

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).

ATTACHMENT:

Attachment A – Recommended Harbor Commission 2024 Objectives and Assignments