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# NEWPORT BEACH

## Harbor Commission Staff Report

October 9, 2019  
Agenda Item No. 7.2

**TO:** HARBOR COMMISSION

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**TITLE:** Review and Update Harbor Commission Objectives/Subcommittee Reports

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**ABSTRACT:**

The Harbor Commission has completed a number of Objectives since the last full update of the Objectives in 2018. It is recommended that the Harbor Commission create a subcommittee to review the current updated Objectives and return to the November meeting to add, delete or modify the Objectives for City Council consideration in January 2020. The subcommittees will report on their progress from the last month.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1) 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.
- 2) Subcommittees to report on August and September progress.
- 3) Appoint Subcommittee to review Objectives and return to the Harbor Commission in November with recommendations to add, delete or modify the Harbor Commission's Objectives.

**FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:**

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Harbor Commission has established objectives, which have been presented to the City Council on an annual basis for a number of years. The purpose of these Objectives is to systematically review the operations of the harbor and work to improve the harbor for all stakeholders. The last full update of the Objectives was completed in February of 2018 and the Harbor Commission recently revised and updated the objectives in July of 2019.

The process to update the Objectives has historically been to create a subcommittee to develop the objectives and then bring those objectives forward to the full Harbor Commission for consideration. Should the Harbor Commission wish to update the Objectives, it is recommended the Harbor Commission appoint a subcommittee to review and return to the next Harbor Commission meeting for consideration. The approved objectives would then be presented to the City Council as soon as practical.

## **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, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

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 – Harbor Commission 2018 Objectives, Revised July 2019