



Memorandum

Date: January 7, 2020  
To: Harbor Commission  
From: Carol Jacobs, Assistant City Manager  
Subject: Additional Materials for the Harbor Commission Meeting of January 8, 2020

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Attached you will find additional information for the staff reports to be presented to the Harbor Commission on January 8, 2020.

Harbor Commission 2020 Objectives

The Harbor Commission created a subcommittee to review and recommend proposed Goals and Objectives for 2020. The attached is a draft of the proposal by the subcommittee.

Harbormaster Update – December 2019 Activities

Attached is the year to date activities of the Harbor Department.

## **City of Newport Beach**

### **Harbor Commission Purpose & Charter**

Newport Harbor supports numerous recreational and commercial activities, waterfront residential communities and scenic and biological resources. The purpose of the Harbor Commission is to provide the City of Newport Beach with an advisory body representing these diverse uses of Newport Harbor and its waterfront.

1. Advise the City Council in all matters pertaining to the use, control, operation, promotion and regulation of all vessels and watercraft within Newport Harbor.
2. Approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove applications on all harbor permits where the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code assigns the authority for the decision to the Harbor Commission.
3. Serve as an appellate and reviewing body for decisions of the City Manager on harbor permits, leases, and other harbor-related administrative matters where the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code assigns such authority to the Harbor Commission.
4. Advise the City Council on proposed harbor-related improvements.
5. Advise the Planning Commission and City Council on land use and property development applications referred to the Harbor Commission by the City Council, Planning Commission, or the City Manager.
6. Make recommendations to the City Council for the adoption of regulations and programs necessary for the ongoing implementation of the goals, objectives, policies of the Harbor and Bay Element of the General Plan, the Harbor Area Management Plan, and the Tidelands Capital Plan.
7. Advise the City Council on the implementation of assigned parts of the Tidelands Capital Plan such as:
  - Dredging priorities
  - In-bay beach sand replenishment priorities
  - Harbor amenities such as mooring support service areas and public docks

### **Harbor Commission - Objectives**

The following objectives are intended to support the mission of the Harbor Area Management Plan and the two most essential responsibilities of the Harbor Commission: (1) Ensuring the long-term welfare of Newport Harbor for all residential, recreational, and commercial users; (2) Promoting Newport Harbor as a preferred and welcoming destination for visitors and residents alike.

These updated objectives are subject to the review and approval of the Commission, and final approval by the Newport Beach City Council. Harbor Commission ad hoc committees, as established by the Commission, bear principal responsibility for coordinating the Commission's efforts, along with staff support, in achieving these Objectives.

**City of Newport Beach - Harbor Commission**  
**Objectives Updated January 08, 2020 (Draft)**

2020 Objectives	Functional Area
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Complete current version of Title 17 while maintaining suggestions for future revisions. <b>(Yahn)</b></li> <li>2. Study and make recommendations for changes on Marine Activity Permits. Identify all Stakeholders within the Harbor who will require a Marine Activity Permit. <b>(Scully, Yahn)</b></li> <li>3. Help identify derelict vessels in the harbor including recommendations for limiting the inflow of derelict vessels into the harbor. <b>(Yahn, Beer)</b></li> <li>4. Study and provide recommendations for shore moorings including transfer permit policy. <b>(Beer, Cunningham)</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>1. Harbor Operations</b>  <b>(Kenney)</b></p> <p><i>Matters pertaining to the Management, Policies, Codes, Regulations, and Enforcement.</i></p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Evaluate potential enhancements to City amenities provided to mooring permittees, residents, and visitors. <b>(Scully)</b></li> <li>2. Support Staff with permanent anchorage at the west end of Lido Island.</li> <li>3. Evaluate options to consolidate and reduce the footprint of the mooring fields. <b>(Yahn)</b></li> <li>4. Continue pursuit of a second public launch ramp. <b>(Kenney)</b></li> <li>5. Evaluate and make recommendations for Lower Castaways Park. <b>(Marston, Yahn)</b></li> <li>6. Complete evaluation for establishing day moorings off Big Corona beach. <b>(Yahn)</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>2. Harbor Viability</b>  <b>(Beer)</b></p> <p><i>Matters pertaining to Assets, Amenities, and Access.</i></p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Secure timely closure of RGP54 permit renewal with emphasis on a more streamlined process.</li> <li>2. Establish a sustainable program that consistently re-nourishes our harbor beaches. <b>(Marston)</b></li> <li>3. Support Staff to obtain funding and approval to dredge the federal navigational channels to its authorized design depth.</li> <li>4. Study various dredging methodologies that provides consistent maintenance dredging and could help combat sea level rise. <b>(Marston)</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>3. Harbor Infrastructure</b>  <b>(Cunningham)</b></p> <p><i>Matters pertaining to Sea Walls, Sea Level Rise, Dredging, Docks, and Beaches.</i></p>

2020 Objectives	Functional Area
<p>1. Develop a plan to communicate and assist Stakeholders required to complete the newly defined Marine Activity Permit program. <b>(Marston, Kenney)</b></p> <p>2. Assist Staff in developing a communication outreach to the Stakeholders similar to the program in place with the Mooring Association. <b>(Marston, Kenney)</b></p> <p>3. Support Staff in the Harbor Attendance Study. <b>(Yahn, Cunningham)</b></p>	<p><b>4. Harbor Stakeholders</b> <b>(Scully)</b></p> <p><i>Matters pertaining to Residential, Recreational, and Commercial Users.</i></p>
<p>1. Draft a Harbor Plan that can be used independently or in conjunction with an update to the General Plan. Special attention should be made to preservation of marine related activities and businesses in Newport Harbor. <b>(Kenney)</b></p>	<p><b>5. Harbor Vision</b> <b>(Blank)</b></p> <p><i>Matters pertaining to Community Outreach and the General Plan update</i></p>

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Harbor Department Statistics</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Fiscal Year 2019-20</h3>
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	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	YTD
Anchorage	45	26	7	9	13	13							113
Assisting Vessels Over 20'	4	5	4	1	-	3							17
Assisting Vessels under 20'	24	19	5	3	8	50							109
Bridge Jumpers	6	68	6	2	1	1							84
Daily Anchorage Check	141	257	140	112	109	39							798
Discharge/Pollution	3	9	6	3	-	2							23
Dock/Pier/Bridge Issue	14	16	12	10	7	6							65
Emergency	-	1		-	-	-							1
General Assist	35	41	15	11	19	7							128
Hazards/Debris	22	58	8	10	15	32							145
Impound	15	16	4	4	5	5							49
Incident	10	4	13	7	4	4							42
Mooring Assist	30	13	10	6	13	88							160
Mooring Check	229	581	220	171	211	123							1,535
Noise	3	-	6	-	-	-							9
Paddleboard/Kayak	247	179	8	1	3	-							438
Public Contact	147	156	89	36	33	13							474
Public Dock Enforcement	345	371	294	522	562	183							2,277
Pump Out	13	21	11	7	7	6							65
Registration & Insurance		242	199	46	119	28							634
Sea Lions	36	88	122	49	21	5							321
Speeding	87	58	41	5	9	9							209
Swim Line	1	3	4	1	1	1							11
Trash	247	283	278	176	238	391							1,613
Rentals - Marina Park Slips	143	147	107	99	43	54							593
# of nights	370	399	295	297	132	238							1,731
Rentals - MP Sand Lines	9	9	7	10	6	10							51
# of nights	43	32	28	59	34	41							237
Mooring Sub-permittee	61	54	48	28	38	31							260
# of nights	404	392	350	219	303	268							1,936
<b>Code Enforcement</b>													
New Cases	116	130	150	84	64	28							572
Closed Cases	117	165	152	69	90	39							632
Verbal Warning	14	37	59	35	21	4							170
Warning Notices	122	118	163	100	58	14							575
Admin Cites	5	6	4	10	23	3							51
MAPS Issued				3	9	7							19

Harbor Department Definitions	
Anchorage	Anchorage Check of vessels in anchorage each day
Assisting Vessels Over 20'	Assisting or educating Vessels over 20' (Anchorage Boundary Issue, Pump Out sinking vessel)
Assisting Vessels under 20'	Assisting or educating Vessels under 20' (Anchorage Boundary Issue, Pump Out sinking vessel)
Bridge Jumpers	Warning/Educating people not to jump
Daily Anchorage Check	Count of boats in anchorage each day
Discharge/Pollution	Any pollutant being discharged into the water
Dock/Pier/Bridge Issue	Gangway detached, Maintenance Issues, etc
Emergency	Any emergency sent to 911
General Assist	General Harbor Information, Misc Catch All
Hazard/Debris	Large Debris in water such as log, chair, shopping cart, etc.
Impound	Vessel Impounded in place or at dock
Incident	Progressed Incident but not level of Emergency
Mooring Assist	Helping Permittee or Sub-permittee on or off of the mooring
Mooring Check	Checks on moorings that are necessary outside the daily mooring vacancy checks, Checking lines, etc
Noise	Noise complaint
Paddleboard/Kayak	Assisting or educating paddleboarders or kayakers
Public Contact	Education of rules and regulations in the harbor
Public Dock Enforcement	Boat tagged at public dock
Pump-Out Dock	Pump-Out Dock Issue (Enforcement of time limits or inoperable pump)
Registration and Insurance	Follow up with Permittees on Expired Documents
Sea Lion	Sea Lion Complaint, Abatement Effort
Speeding	Wake Advisement/ educating boaters to slow down
Swim Line	Replace/readjust/broken swim line issues
Trash	Daily trash pick up