

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF
JANUARY 15, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, was held on the 15th day of January, 2008, at the hour of 6:38 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, at 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

PLEDGE TO FLAG

Jack Allen, a 5th Grade student from Pennekamp Elementary School, led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Cohen, Ward, Tell, Montgomery and Mayor Aldinger.
Absent: None.
Clerk: Tamura.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

08/0115.2 Presentation of a Commendation to Charlene Hendrickson for Her Dedicated Service to the City of Manhattan Beach

The Council expressed their gratitude to Charlene Hendrickson in recognition of her years of service to the children and parents in Manhattan Beach for her role in managing the “After School Program at Grand View Elementary School”. Mayor Aldinger presented her with a Certificate of Recognition for her 25 years of service.

08/0115.1 Presentation of Commendations to Boy Scouts Theodore Andreas, Gregory McLellan and Michael Rolandelli in Recognition of Achieving their Eagle Scout Award

The Council presented a certificate of commendation to Michael Rolandelli, Theodore Andreas (Harry Andreas father of Ted accepted the certificate on his behalf), and recognized Gregory McLellan (who was not able to attend) in recognition of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

08/0115.3 Presentation of Proclamation to the American Heart Association Declaring February 1, 2008 as “Wear Red For Women” Day

Due to the fact that representatives from the **American Heart Association** were unable to attend the meeting, Mayor Aldinger, on behalf of Council, read aloud the proclamation declaring February 1, 2008 as “Wear Red for Women” Day.

08/0115.4 Recognition of Outgoing Fire Chief Dennis Groat and Introduction of New Fire Chief Scott Ferguson

The following presentations were made to Fire Chief Dennis Groat upon his retirement from the Manhattan Beach Fire Department recognizing his career as a Firefighter spanning the past 37 years:

City Manager Geoff Dolan acknowledged Fire Chief Groat for 14 years of outstanding service and contributions to the City of Manhattan Beach.

Mayor Aldinger, on behalf of the Council, presented a commendation to Fire Chief Groat recognizing his outstanding contributions to the City of Manhattan Beach. Mayor Aldinger also presented Chief Groat with a John Post photo of the Pier in appreciation of his many years of service.

Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery presented Fire Chief Groat with a crystal paperweight etched with the City seal.

Councilmember Cohen presented Fire Chief Groat with a pen and pencil set with the City seal emblem on it.

Councilmember Ward presented Fire Chief Groat with a Manhattan Beach beach towel.

Councilmember Tell presented Fire Chief Groat with a beach chair stenciled with the City seal.

Jessica Duff, Representative from Congresswoman Jane Harman's office, presented a Congressional Commendation to Chief Groat for all his years of service.

Melissa Ramosa, Representing the Office of State Assemblyman Ted Lieu and Senator Jenny Oropeza, presented a Resolution to Chief Groat for his dedication to public service.

Steven Napolitano, Deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe, presented a certificate of appreciation to Fire Chief Groat.

Helen Duncan, President of the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce, presented a plaque to Fire Chief Groat and **Karen Hill Chairman of the Chamber Board,** presented Chief Groat with a bottle of sunscreen to protect him during his much anticipated travels.

Former City Councilmember Walt Dougher representing Beach Cities Health District, thanked Fire Chief Groat for his years of service to the City and for making the MB Fire Department the "gold standard" in the South Bay. He presented him with a proclamation from the Beach Cities Health District. .

Ken Shuck, Manhattan Beach Fire Department Battalion Chief, presented a framed American Flag to Fire Chief Groat in appreciation for all of his leadership to the Manhattan Beach Fire Chiefs over the last 14 years.

Fire Chief Groat introduced his family and thanked the Council, staff and the community for making his last 14 years in Manhattan Beach so special. He presented his wife Denise and long time department secretary Cleo Vasquez with a bouquet of flowers and words of gratitude. He also extended his appreciation to the City Manager, Geoff Dolan for his leadership and commitment to the City and the Manhattan Beach Fire Department.

City Manager Dolan introduced Scott Ferguson, the newly appointed Fire Chief, and presented him with his badge. Fire Chief Ferguson, thanked Geoff and the City for the opportunity to work in Manhattan Beach.

Retired Fire Chief Groat presented Fire Chief Ferguson with a fire hose nozzle, an artifact of the City that has been passed down the line from Fire Chief to Fire Chief.

08/0115.5 *This Space Intentionally Left Blank*

CONSENT CALENDAR

Prior to Council's vote Public Works Director Jim Arndt responded to Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery, regarding *Agenda Item No. 17*, stating that notices were sent to all residents within the project area with contact information regarding the subject project included in the notice.

In response to Councilmember Cohen, City Manager Dolan elaborated, regarding *Agenda Item No. 11*, that while there are no alternative fuel/hybrid vehicles suitable for police patrol cars due to their specific needs, of the eight new vehicles, four are alternative fuel/hybrid vehicles that will be used for administrative purposes.

The Consent Calendar (Item Nos. 6 through 21), consisting of items under *General Consent* and *Boards and Commissions*, was approved by motion of Councilmember Cohen, seconded by Councilmember Ward and passed by unanimous roll call vote with the exception of Item No. 19 which were considered later in the meeting under "*Items Removed from the Consent Calendar.*"

Ayes: Cohen, Ward, Tell, Montgomery and Mayor Aldinger.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

GENERAL CONSENT

08/0115.6 Approve Minutes of the City Council Adjourned Regular and Regular Meeting of December 18, 2007

The Council approved the subject minutes.

08/0115.7 Adoption of Ordinance No. 2110 Amending Section 8.20.010 of Chapter 8.20 of the Manhattan Beach Municipal Code to Clarify the Meaning of "Transient" Within the Uniform Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Ordinance

The Council adopted Ordinance No. 2110.

ORDINANCE NO. 2110

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 8.20.010 OF CHAPTER 8.20 OF THE MANHATTAN BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY THE MEANING OF "TRANSIENT"

08/0115.8 Consideration of the State Budget and Legislative Update

The Council received and filed the January 2008 Budget and Legislative Update from Tony Rice, the City's legislative advocate.

08/0115.9 Consideration of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Year Ended June 30, 2007

The Council received and filed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

08/0115.10 Consideration of Financial Reports:

- a) Ratification of Demands: December 27, 2007 and January 10, 2008
- b) Investment Portfolio for the Month Ending November 30, 2007
- c) Financial Reports for the Month Ending November 30, 2007

The Council approved with no exception Warrant Register Nos. 14B & 15B in the amount of \$4,700,576.58 in payment of ratification of demands and claims as prepared by the Director of Finance, together with the original demands and claims as prepared by said Warrant Register; received and filed the Investment Portfolio for the month ending November 30, 2007; and received and filed the Financial Reports for the month ending November 30, 2007.

08/0115.11 Consideration of the Budgeted Purchase of Eight Vehicles for the Police, Community Development and Public Works Departments to Villa Ford (\$59,734.76), Fairview Ford (\$100,465.02) and Kearny Mesa Ford (\$63,312.65) and Appropriate \$33,778 from AB 2766 (Air Quality) Subvention Fund

The Council approved to split the award of Request for Bid (RFB) #728-08 to: Villa Ford in the amount of \$59,734.76 for the purchase of two Police patrol cars; Fairview Ford in the amount of \$100,465.02 for the purchase of two Police and two Community Development vehicles; Kearny Mesa Ford in the amount of \$63,312.65 for the purchase of two Public Works trucks; and appropriated \$33,778 from the AB 2766 (Air Quality) Subvention Fund.

08/0115.12 Consideration of Award of Order to South Bay Regional Public Communications Authority to Equip Eight Vehicles in the Amount of \$45,778.38

The Council waived formal bidding per Municipal Code Section 2.36.140 (waivers) and approved an order to South Bay Regional Public Communications Authority for the budgeted outfitting of one new and seven replacement vehicles in the amount of \$45,778.38.

08/0115.13 Consideration of Appropriation of \$7,600 from Asset Forfeiture Funds for the Purchase of a Server for the Previously Approved Digital Voice Recording System for the Police Department

The Council approved and appropriated \$7,600 from Asset Forfeiture Funds for the purchase of a server for the previously approved digital voice recording system.

08/0115.14 Consideration of Ratification of Motor Fuel Purchase from Falcon Fuels in the Amount of \$23,570.27

The Council approved the purchase of fuel from Falcon Fuels in the amount of \$23,570.27.

08/0115.15 Consideration of Proposals and Authorization to Enter Into a Contract to Prepare the Housing Element with Sandra Genis, Planning Resources in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$27,790 and Approval of a Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$7,790 from the Council Contingency Fund

The Council approved authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Sandra Genis, Planning Resources to prepare a comprehensive Update of the City's General Plan Housing Element, including the required environmental review.

08/0115.16 Authorize City Manager to Execute Professional Services Agreements with Willdan, Psomas, and CBM Consulting, Inc. for As-needed Construction Inspection Services

The Council approved authorizing the City Manager to enter into professional services agreements with Willdan, Psomas and CBM Consulting, Inc. to provide as-needed construction inspection services.

08/0115.17 Award of Contract (\$918,625) for the 2005-2007 Street Improvement Project to Sully-Miller Contracting Co. and Authorize Supplemental Appropriation in the Net Amount of \$103,000

The Council approved an award of contract in the net amount of \$918,625 for the 2005-2007 Street Improvement Project to Sully-Miller Contracting Co.; approved a supplemental appropriation of \$103,000 from the Gas Tax Reserves; and approved authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve additional work in an amount not-to-exceed \$92,000, if required.

08/0115.18 Authorize Staff to Solicit Proposals for the 13th Street and Morningside Drive Crosswalk Installation Project

The Council approved declaring the bid received to be non-responsive and authorized staff to solicit proposals the 13th Street and Morningside Drive Crosswalk Installation Project.

08/0115.19 Approval of a Contract Agreement in the Amount of \$202,300 for Assessment Engineering Services for Five (5) Proposed Utility Underground Assessment Districts (Districts 8, 12, 13, 14 and 15) and Authorize an Appropriation in the Net Amount of \$202,300

Item No. 19 was pulled from the "CONSENT CALENDAR". Please refer to "ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR."

08/0115.20 Disbursement of Progress Payment No. 1 in the Net Amount of \$49,950.00 to Utility Services Company and Change Order No. 1 (\$20,500.00) for the Elevated Water Tank Maintenance Project

The Council approved the issuance of the subject progress payment and change order.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Library Commission

08/0115.21 Consideration of Draft Minutes, Library Commission Meeting of December 10, 2007

The Council received and filed the subject draft minutes.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

08/0115.26 Planet Pals Re Protecting the Environment

Numerous local school children spoke about the importance of banning Styrofoam and plastic bags in order to protect the environment and sea life.

08/0115.27 Patrick McBride Re Councilmember Ward

Patrick McBride, 5th Street & Peck Avenue, thanked Councilmember Ward for his great Shakespearian performance at the Senior gathering that afternoon. He extended an invitation to all seniors to join them the first Tuesday of each month from 1:30 – 3:30 pm.

08/0115.28 Los Angeles County Librarian Don Gould Re Upcoming Events

Los Angeles County Librarian Don Gould announced the following upcoming events: Craig Woodson's World Orchestra on Thursday, January 17, 2008 and the Melody of China's ensemble performance at the Joslyn Center on Thursday, February 7, 2008. He reminded the community that the dead line to sign up for Toddler Story Time is this Friday and that the library has vast on-line resources.

08/0115.29 Mayor Aldinger Re Household Hazardous Week

Mayor Aldinger announced that a Household Hazardous Waste Roundup will be held on March 8, 2008 at the corner of Aviation Boulevard and Marine Avenue.

08/0115.30 Mayor Aldinger Re Helen Duncan

Mayor Aldinger announced that Helen Duncan, President and CEO of the Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce, will be inducted as the Executive Director for the South Bay Area Chambers of Commerce at the Ayres Hotel on Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 11:30 a.m.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

GENERAL BUSINESS

08/0115.25 Select Member for the Planning Commission - Seat No. 3

Planning Commission (Seat No. 3)

	<u>Nomination</u>	<u>1st Round Vote</u>	<u>2nd Round Vote</u>	<u>3rd Round Vote</u>
Cohen	Joe DiMonda	Joe DiMonda Jim Fasola	Joe DiMonda	Jim Fasola
Ward	Kathleen Paralusz	Kathleen Paralusz Paul Gross	Paul Gross	
Tell	Paul Gross	Paul Gross Joe DiMonda	Paul Gross	Paul Gross
Montgomery	Jim Fasola	Jim Fasola Joe DiMonda	Jim Fasola	Jim Fasola
Aldinger	None further	Jim Fasola Paul Gross	Jim Fasola	Jim Fasola

MOTION: Mayor Aldinger moved to unanimously appoint Jim Fasola to Planning Commission Seat No. 3. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery.

Hearing no objection, it was so ordered.

RECESS AND RECONVENE

At 8:00 p.m. the Council recessed and reconvened at 8:15 p.m. with all Councilmembers present.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

08/0115.22 *Consideration of a City Council 2005-2007 Work Plan Item on Mansionization in Residential Areas as Recommended by the Planning Commission: Zoning Code Amendments and Local Coastal Program Amendments to Various Sections of the Zoning Code (Title 10) and the Local Coastal Program Including but not Limited to: 1) Increase Setbacks and Open Space, 2) Limit Lot Mergers, 3) Encourage the Retention of Existing Smaller Homes, and 4) Allow Accessory Structures on Adjacent Common Ownership Lots*

Senior Planner Laurie Jester presented an overview of the recommendations from the Planning Commission and the Mansionization Committee. She stated that over the past year and a half the committee had met over thirteen times, the Planning Commission met eleven times and Council with various workshops and study sessions met 8 times, all took the issues at hand very seriously. Senior Planner Jester gave a brief history of the zoning codes beginning in the 1990's with ZORP, which was the first major revision of City zoning standards, to the present. She then addressed the four main goals of the Mansionization Committee; preserve neighborhood character, the importance of setbacks, revisit minor exceptions for smaller homes and encourage quality private open space.

Senior Planner Jester continued with explanations regarding the proposed amendments related to setbacks. A lengthy discussion ensued with City Council and Senior Planner. Jester in reference to the proposed amendments regarding setbacks on side yards and corner lots. This led to more discussion on the impact these setbacks would have on "buildable floor area" (BFA).

Senior Planner Jester went on to share the proposed amendments to Open Space. City Council directed a number of questions to her regarding minor exceptions, basements, setbacks and bulk volume which led to much discussion that also included BFA.

Senior Planner Jester presented recommendations about the proposed amendments for lot mergers. Again this led to a lengthy discussion with Council on lot mergers and maximum size, the history of lot mergers, the number of requests that Community Development receives each year to approve lot mergers, density, allowed expansion of existing homes and how lot mergers impact multi-family developments. There was discussion regarding the fact that all new construction would be required to follow the new zoning requirements and that the new recommendations would allow for more articulation of developments, and types of accessory structures on adjacent lots such as patios, pools, gardens, etc.

Senior Planner Jester next addressed the proposed amendments for retention of smaller homes. A lengthy discussion began with Council asking questions and Senior Planner Jester clarified issues regarding the impact of set backs on remodels, the current restrictive non-conforming code standards that discourage retention of smaller homes, percentage of remodels and allowed BFA, what part of a home; basement garage is included in BFA, how set backs impact

remodels and how neighbors are notified regarding construction of remodels, and if a hedge qualifies as a fence.

Councilmember Cohen directed a question to Community Development Director Richard Thompson asking if the new zoning codes would complicate pulling a building permit. Community Development Director Thompson suggested that the process shouldn't be impacted as long as the codes were well defined. He also suggested that they be given a minimum of five years to determine how the new codes would impact neighborhoods.

Mayor Aldinger opened the Public Hearing at 10:16 p.m.

Robert Bush, No Address Provided, expressed his opposition to mansionization and lot mergers.

Jerry Saunders, 100 Block of 35th Street, asked clarification from Council regarding the impact that setbacks would have on RH zoned properties in Area District III for multi family dwellings and stated that the garage storage allowance was too small.

Patrick McBride, 5th Street and Peck Avenue, agreed with Mayor Aldinger that there needs to be more attention given to limiting BFA. He also agreed with Councilmember Cohen's comments about the use of garage space and suggested that the City provide incentives for people to park in their driveway or garage and not on the street.

Allan Toole, 33rd Street and Vista, presented Council with a handout of plans for a remodel of his current home that exists on two half lots and how the new set backs would minimize his buildable footprint even though he was well under the maximum BFA allowed.

Ted Davis, Pine Avenue, Expressed his concerns that the setbacks recommended by the Mansionization Committee would limit the number of multi family units allowed on RH zoned property in Area District I and II. .

Martha Andreani, 10th Street, she along with the MBRA would recommend that the setbacks be increased; she supports the 8% increased landscaping and including basements as BFA. They are opposed to lot mergers unless it involved substandard lots or if open space requirements are doubled.

Evelyn Gingrich, 11th Street, asked Council what the approximate size of a home could be with the recommended maximum lot sizes, and stated that she is opposed to allowing these large homes.

Michael Gevertz, No Address Provided, supports the Planning Commissions recommendation as stated on page 8, exhibit "C" that the lots on Manhattan Beach Blvd be exempt from the maximum lot size in order to allow for multi family residential properties to have enough space to develop a large enough turning radius to prevent cars from backing out onto the street.

Paul Gross, No Address Provided, supports the recommendations of the committee because it will prevent the development of huge mansions and in the long run will accomplish the goals that Council set out to achieve. The balancing of issues addressed by the committee was difficult and the recommendations presented would help eliminate the large spec homes and yet provide private homeowners and architects some flexibility to build dream homes. He asked Council to please give this interlocking package a chance to work.

Terry McCall, 3600 Block of The Strand, provided Council with a handout highlighting properties along the Strand where there have been three lot mergers and how they impact the elevation along the Strand. She strongly supports the Planning Commissions recommendations to limit the lot mergers to two.

Laura Cohen, Ardmore Avenue, wished to thank Council, Senior Planner Jester and Community Development Director Thompson for the recommendations presented for minor exceptions and raised a question regarding neighbor notification requirements for the minor exception with Council.

In response to **Ms. Cohen,** Senior Planner Jester addressed the question explaining the recommendation for minor exceptions for remodels stating that non conforming additions are allowed now with a minor exception if under 50% and that if you are over the 50% you need a variance. She further stated that the new recommendations do provide more flexibility and ease to those residents who choose to remodel thus encouraging retention of smaller homes.

A discussion ensued with Council needing more clarification in the noticing requirement.

Grant Kirkpatrick, 600 Block of 31st Street, expressed his gratitude to Councilmember Tell and former Councilmember Fahey for such strong leadership of the Mansionization Committee, the Committee itself and staff for a well run planning department. He supports the 6% bulk volume setback because it works for the architects and homeowners and the 24' building wall.

A lengthy discussion followed with Council and **Mr. Kirkpatrick** regarding the 6% - 8% setbacks and the various impact it would have on a development and further leading into issues on setbacks and mansionization overall.

John Clark, 3600 Block of The Strand, strongly supports the recommendations of the Planning Commission regarding lot mergers on the Strand and hopes that Council will adopt the code amendments.

Jim Fasola, No Address Provided, is definitely in favor of the 6% in place of 8% increased setbacks, and no open space cap, and supports the recommendations provided by the Committee. He would suggest future guidelines restricting BFA, and increasing landscaping and water percolation.

Discussion followed between **Mr. Fasola** and Council regarding caps on open space, the impact of basements on open space, and further restrictions that might be applied to basements regarding parking.

David Hennessey, 3600 Block of the Strand, spoke in reference to the Strand lots located at 3604-3608 and the development that is currently being proposed to build a large multi family unit on 2 2/3 lots. The residents are requesting that they limit the building space to 2 lots and are asking that he not be permitted to build one large building.

Robert Shuman, 3600 Block of the Strand, strongly supports the recommendations regarding the retention of smaller homes and encourages Council to pass them. However he feels that existing large multi family residential lots should be exempt from the codes presented by the Mansionization Committee in sections 3 & 4 as an incentive to develop more multi family units.

Gerry O'Connor, No Address Provided, is opposed to the 6% setback. He argued that the setback is just another way of diminishing BFA without directly addressing it. He would like to see a direct limit of BFA on merged lots.

Mayor Aldinger closed the Public Hearing at 12:17 a.m.

Councilmember Tell directed a question to staff regarding Area Districts III and IV and the corner setback and removing the cap on the interior streets.

Senior Planner Jester explained that the reasoning behind the setbacks on Area Districts I and II on streets was done so to improve the public view of the structure and increased opportunity to provide landscape and articulation. A lengthy discussion then pursued.

City Manager Dolan suggested that it appeared that Council was in agreement with a large portion of the recommendations. Council responded by stating that they would like further alternatives to be pursued by staff especially concerning minor exceptions, notice and flexibility, street side setbacks in Area Districts I and II, side setbacks in Area Districts III and IV and lot mergers. .

RECESS AND RECONVENE

At 12:37 a.m. the Council recessed and reconvened at 12:54 a.m. with all Councilmembers present.

Mayor Aldinger announced that due to the lateness of the meeting, the Public Hearing regarding Mansionization would be continued to the February 5, 2008 City Council meeting.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

08/0115.23 *Renewal of the North Manhattan Beach Business Improvement District (BID) for Fiscal Year 2007-2008*

Finance Director Bruce Moe gave a very brief presentation regarding the annual requirement under state law that the North Manhattan Beach Business Improvement District BID be approved and that a public hearing be held.

Mayor Aldinger opened the Public Hearing at 12:57 a.m.

Hearing no requests to speak, Mayor Aldinger closed the Public Hearing at 12:58 a.m.

MOTION: Councilmember Tell moved to adopt Resolution No. 6120 authorizing the collection of assessments and approved to ratify the BID Advisory Board Members for 2007-2008. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cohen and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote:

Ayes: Cohen, Ward, Tell, Montgomery and Mayor Aldinger.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 6120

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, OVERRULING PROTESTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY AND COLLECTING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE EXISTING NORTH MANHATTAN BEACH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTION 36500 ET. SEQ. (SB 1424 - PARKING & BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT LAW OF 1989, CHAPTER 2) OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

08/0115.24 *Consideration of an Annual Resolution Adjusting the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Business License Tax by the Consumer Price Index*

Finance Director Bruce Moe made a brief presentation regarding the annual consideration to increase the Business License Tax based on the September Consumer Price Index of 2.3%. He further stated that the increase was reviewed by the Finance Sub-committee and Chamber of Commerce without comment.

Mayor Aldinger opened the Public Hearing at 12:59 a.m.

Hearing no requests to speak, Mayor Aldinger closed the Public Hearing at 1:00 a.m.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Montgomery moved to adopt Resolution No. 6121 increasing the Business License Tax rate by 2.3% to adjust for the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tell and passed by the following unanimous roll call vote:

Ayes: Cohen, Ward, Tell, Montgomery and Mayor Aldinger.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 6121

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIFORNIA, INCREASING THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX BY CPI AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO 6080 AND ALL RESOLUTIONS OR ORDERS IN CONCERT THEREWITH

GENERAL BUSINESS

08/0115.25 *Select Member for the Planning Commission - Seat No. 3*

THIS ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE SEE PAGE NOS. 6 & 7.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

08/0115.19 Approval of a Contract Agreement in the Amount of \$202,300 for Assessment Engineering Services for Five (5) Proposed Utility Underground Assessment Districts (Districts 8, 12, 13, 14 and 15) and Authorize an Appropriation in the Net Amount of \$202,300

With the consent of **Martha Andreani** (who pulled this item from the Consent Calendar), Mayor Aldinger continued this item to the February 5, 2008 City Council meeting.

Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

CITY MANAGER REPORT(S)

None.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS, COMMITTEE AND TRAVEL REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:01 a.m., the meeting was duly adjourned to the 5:00 p.m. City Council Study Session (Environmental Issues) Meeting on Tuesday, January 22, 2008, in the Police/Fire Conference Room, at 400/420 15th Street, in said City.

Patricia Schilling
Recording Secretary

Jim Aldinger
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk