

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 5, 2011**

The Special City Council Meeting of the City of Manhattan Beach, California, was held on the 5th day of April, 2011, at the hour of 1:38 p.m., in the City Council Chambers Conference Room at Manhattan Beach City Hall, at 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Richard Montgomery called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers: Powell, Lesser, Howorth and Mayor Montgomery.

Present: City Manager Carmany, City Clerk Tamura,
Special Counsel Christi Hogin of Jenkins & Hogin, LLP ., and
Labor Counsel Melanie Poturica, Liebert, Cassidy & Whitemore
(Ms. Poturica Arrived at 1:42 p.m.)

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Tell.

Clerk: City Clerk Tamura.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Viet Ngo, No Address Provided, expressed his concern for all the items outlined in the subject agenda and referenced the letter that he submitted to the City Council demanding a correction of alleged Brown Act and Conflict of Interest violations he contends occurred in connection with the McKee case settlement. He further demanded and requested that the City Council take action against City Attorney Robert Wadden and that Mr. Wadden be represented in Closed Session.

ANNOUNCEMENT IN OPEN SESSION OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION AS FOLLOWS

Special Counsel Christi Hogin announced the following items to be discussed in closed session:

1. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**
Government Code § 54957

Title: City Attorney

2. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**
Government Code § 54957.6

Agency Negotiator: Christi Hogin/Melanie Poturica

Unrepresented Employee: City Attorney

3. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE**

4. **PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT**
Government Code § 54957

Title: City Attorney

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Council recessed into Closed Session at 1:42 p.m.

RECESS INTO OPEN SESSION

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 4:25 p.m.

At 4:26 p.m. Special Counsel Christi Hogin announced in Open Session that the City Council met in Closed Session to discuss the items listed on the posted agenda. She further stated that the City Council had taken one reportable action and announced the following action: By unanimous vote of those present (Councilmember Tell absent) the City Council voted to terminate Robert Wadden as City Attorney, pursuant to his restated employment agreement. She further stated that there was no separation agreement between Mr. Wadden and the City and that no severance was paid.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:27 p.m. the meeting was duly adjourned to the 5:30 p.m. Adjourned Regular Meeting to be followed by the 6:30 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2011, in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 1400 Highland Avenue, in said City.

Liza Tamura
Recording Secretary

Richard Montgomery
Mayor

ATTEST:

Liza Tamura
City Clerk