



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
HARBOR COMMISSION**

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

**January 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
Waterfront Administration Office
132-A Harbor Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93109
www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McCrea called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

- Merit McCrea, Chair
- Betsy Cramer, Vice Chair
- Seth Anderson
- Michael Hanrahan
- Michael Nelson
- Adam Stanowick
- John Stedman

Commissioners Absent:

- None

Staff Present:

- Mike Wiltshire, Waterfront Director
- Brian Bosse, Waterfront Business Manager
- Erik Engbretson, Harbor Operations Manager
- Brian Adair, Waterfront Facilities Manager
- Nathan Alldredge, Harbor Patrol Supervisor
- Chris Bell, Administrative Analyst
- Angela Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the Agenda

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public who wished to speak

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval Of The Minutes

Recommendation: That Harbor Commission waive further reading and approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting of November 18, 2021.

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire

Motion:

- Commissioners Nelson/Stedman to approve Minutes

Vote:

- Unanimous roll call vote

HARBOR COMMISSION MATTERS

2. Reappointment Of John Stedman To The Harbor Commission

- Commissioner Stedman has been reappointed to serve a four-year term expiring on December 31, 2025

Discussion:

- Chair McCrea welcomed back Commissioner Stedman to the Harbor Commission. Commissioner Stedman addressed the Commission and Staff.

3. Appointment Of William “Seth” Anderson And Michael Hanrahan To The Harbor Commission

- Commissioners Anderson and Hanrahan have been appointed to serve four-year terms expiring on December 31, 2025.

Discussion:

- Chair McCrea introduced and welcomed newly appointed Commissioners Anderson and Hanrahan. Commissioners Anderson and Hanrahan addressed the Commission and Staff.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

4. Director’s Report

- New Harbor Commissioner Orientation
- Highlighting Stearns Wharf 150th Anniversary

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Waterfront Director

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire

5. Business Services Report

- COVID-19 Deferred Rent Update

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Waterfront Business Manager

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Business Manager Brian Bosse, Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire

6. Facilities Management Report

- Facilities Division Staffing Update
- Sand Berms
- Federal Channel Dredging
- Ice House Renovation Project

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Waterfront Facilities Manager

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Facilities Manager Brian Adair, Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire

7. Harbor Operations Report

- Parade of Lights Recap
- East Beach Mooring Permit Renewal Update
- Mandatory Boater Education Requirements
- New Harbor Patrol Supervisor Nathan Alldredge

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Harbor Operations Manager

Speakers:

- Staff: Harbor Operations Manager Erik Engebretson, Harbor Patrol Supervisor Nathan Alldredge

NEW BUSINESS

8. Tentative List Of 2022 Harbor Commission Agenda Topics

Recommendation: That Harbor Commission receive a presentation from staff outlining a tentative calendar of topics for 2022 Harbor Commission meetings, discuss, and take action as necessary.

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Waterfront Director

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire

Discussion:

- Commissioners heard a presentation by Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire. A tentative list of Agenda topics was discussed. Commissioners' questions were answered.

9. Determination Of Future Harbor Commission Meeting Date, Time, and Location

Recommendation: That Harbor Commission review the regular meeting date, time, and location; discuss various options; and recommend a preferred meeting time and location for in-person meetings going forward.

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Waterfront Director

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire

Motion:

- Commissioners Cramer/Stedman to direct staff to look into the availability of the David Gebhard Meeting Room located at 630 Garden Street for future Harbor Commission meetings, and to present available meeting times to Harbor Commission for consideration.

Vote:

- Unanimous roll call vote

10. Santa Barbara Cruise Ship Program Update

Recommendation: That Harbor Commission receive a presentation on the status of the Cruise Ship Program, discuss, and provide recommendations to staff as necessary.

Documents:

- PowerPoint presentation prepared by staff
- January 20, 2022 report prepared by the Waterfront Director

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire
- Members of the public: Jaime Diamond

Discussion:

- Commissioners heard a presentation by Administrative Analyst Chris Bell. Topics discussed were the history and economic impacts of the Cruise Ship Program in Santa Barbara, how the program works, COVID protocols being followed by the Cruise Ship Industry, and the environmental regulations cruise ships must obey while visiting Santa Barbara. Commissioners' questions were answered.

Motion:

- Commissioner Nelson/Stedman to write a letter supporting the return of the Cruise Ship Program to Santa Barbara and to speak at a City Council Meeting in support of the program provided that the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department also approves of the return of the Cruise Ship Program.

Vote:

- Unanimous roll call vote (Abstain: Commissioner Hanrahan)

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Cramer inquired about Santa Barbara Landings' *Day at the Docks* event being held on February 5, 2022. Jaime Diamond, part owner of Santa Barbara Landing, was called upon to provide details about the event.

Commissioner Nelson requested information about the Superior Court's recent ruling to grant immunity to the City of Santa Barbara in the case filed against the City in 2017 concerning a drowned paddle boarder in the Santa Barbara Harbor. Director Wiltshire stated he would provide Harbor Commission with any information that he is allowed to share with them at a future date.

Director Wiltshire congratulated and welcomed new Harbor Commissioners Seth Anderson and Michael Hanrahan.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

- Commissioners Stanowick/Stedman to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Vote:

- Unanimous roll call vote