

2019-2020 BID BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 28, 2020 Location: Virtual Zoom 315 3rd Street Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Day: Thursday Time: 9:00 AM

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	Call to Order: 9:03 AM
2.	2019-2020 Board of Director's Roll Call
	Board Members: Dave Shenkman, Brett Barnes, Kelly Miller, Kate Leigh, Tony Duran,.
	Absent: Mike Williams, Whitney Reimann, Danny Othman, and Mike Ali HBDBID Staff:
	John Gilbert, and Jessica LaBrenz. Others in Attendance: Robert Ramirez, Lieutenant
	Dereszynski
3.	Public Comments: No Public Comments
	This is the time of the meeting for the Board of Directors to receive comments from the public regarding items of interest or agenda items. Pursuant to the Brown (Open Meetings) Act, the Board of Directors may not enter into discussion regarding items not on the agenda. Each comment communication via e-mail will be read and entered into the minutes. Communications are limited to 300 words or less.
4.	 Approve Minutes a. Reviewed Meeting Minutes from May 14, 2020 BID Board Meeting. Motion was made to record and file minutes with suggested changes from Kate Leigh. Seconded by Brett Barnes. Passed 5-0
5.	Public Space Dining/Temporary Main Street Closure
	a. A discussion was had regarding City Council item 20-1642 passed on May 18, 2020 directed staff to develop a program to temporarily allow conversion of adjacent public and private areas to be utilized for outdoor dining. Majority of the people liked the idea of closing the 2 nd block as most of the restaurants are located there. The city would be working with a 3 rd party company who has experience in these kinds things. Ursula is going to have them put together a proposed plan. When asked how long this would be for John stated this would be for 2 months 7 days a week. Dave said he would like to make sure 5 th and PCH is included in this plan as well. John was going to reach out to Ursula to include them. Tony expressed his concerns that by closing down Main St. it

could turn the other streets like 3rd into a racetrack. He has witnessed lots of cars and motorcycles speeding down 3rd. Lieutenant Dereszynski stated they deal with this every summer and currently the HBPD is planning to go back to a normal schedule on June 12 and will be patrolling the area. Presents of motorcycle officers on the streets seems to subdue this. Kelly asked if an unmanned police car could be left as a deterrent. Lieutenant stated that this is not a good idea as then they deal with the possible issues of vandalism. Kelly stated he is impressed with how the city is handling the process of the possible outdoor dining. He also stated this is happening all over Sothern California and its impressive how its being handled. He thinks this is important for our city as it add to the walkability of downtown and it gets them into our businesses. Brett commented that this will be different for a business like his as its not located on Main St. but that he thinks it's a good idea. John stated after Monday's city Council meeting they would have a better idea of when this could possibly be completed.

Motion was made by Tony Duran to work with the City to adopt an approved "Dining Plan" to allow additional Public and Private areas to be used and implement a Temporary Main Street Closure Program to facilitate improved "Social Distancing" based upon the cities plan. Seconded by Kelly Miller. Passed 5-0.

6. Security Contract – Annual Downtown Contract

a. A discussion was had on the upcoming security contract. An RFP was sent out to (4) companies to bid on annual contract. Allied, Pacwest and Camden completed the RFP. The 4th company declined. Allied's proposal was \$127K, Pacwest was 130K and Camden was \$117k. Kate stated she had never heard of Camden, so she did some research on them. They had poor reviews from customers and employees. Dave Shenkman stated that it just depends on the security guards. John agreed that it all depends on the officers in the field. He stated Pacwest is tied to 5th and PCH. Allied is connected to Pacific City. He just hopes that whatever company we choose will have good communication with each other's locations. Dave S. asked can we cancel which ever company we choose with a 30-day written notice. John said we would make sure to put that into the contract. Kate stated she gives Pacwest an A rating and has had a very good experience with them. Kate did not like Allied when she used them, and she terminated them. Dave thinks we should give Pacwest a try. Kate stated we need to make sure we get new guards not ones that are grandfathered in from the old company. Kate also mentioned that Pacwest has a fantastic training program. Kelly suggested we try and negotiate the contract with Pacwest since they were more expensive. He is concerned with the financial implications this could have. John stated there needs to be whole new discussion about that with the finance committee. Dave S. said its going to be up to us to find additional sources of income to make this work. Dave said we need to issue a 30day notice to Allied ASAP if we care going with another company.

A motion was made by Brett and seconded by Kelly to move forward with Pacwest for the new security contract. Passed 5-0

7. Surf City Nights

a. A discussion was had regarding Surf City Nights opening back up. Brett is concerned that the outdoor dining with be an issue with Surf City Nights. John stated that Surf City Nights will need to be restructured

A motion was made by Brett to approve the pre-Covid-19 work schedule for employee, accept recommendation for the re-establishment of a Surf City Nights schedule and revisit for the 2021 term. Seconded by Tony. Passed 5-0.

Staff Reports:

8. BID Executive Director – John Gilbert

a. John stated we had a busy weekends coming up, Businesses were re-opening and business owners were not given prior notice so it was a little crazy. Dave S stated he is constant contact with Oliver and Mayor Semeta on how things are going and what happening with the city. Lieutenant asked when Surf City Nights would be back and Jhn stated hopefully quickly but we are still waiting on guidelines from The Dept. of Ag and The Health Dept. Kelly asked John if the city was looking into how SCN

would be affected with the outdoor dining. John stated it will really just depend on what the city decides it wants to do. John let everyone now we have a4 week prepaid liability to our Surf City Nights vendors with the exception of 6 who have been refunded.	
9. Announcements	

Dukes is opening Friday. Sandy's and Fred's opens today!!

10. Adjournment: 9:49am

The next HBDBID Board Meeting is Thursday June 11, 2020.

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