



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SANTA MONICA PIER CORPORATION

Heal the Bay Aquarium
1600 Ocean Front Walk
Santa Monica, CA 90405

Monday, September 18, 2023

6:30 PM

Call to Order

Board Chair Chris Foster called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

Roll Call

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Recording Secretary:

Present: Board Members Jeff Jarow, Carter Rubin, Misti Kerns, Chris Foster, Randi Parent, and Board Chair Nicholas Rolston.

Absent: Board Member Dan Hall

Also present: Santa Monica Pier Corporation Executive Director Jim Harris, City of Santa Monica Pier & Beach Administrator Elana Buegoff, Heal The Bay Aquarium Director Marslaidh Ryan, Lessees Association rep. Cindy Pfeifer, Lessees Association rep. Nathan Smithson, Landmarks Commission rep. Roger Genser, Police Officer Melendez, Police Officer Hernandez, Harbor Safety Officer Henry Reyes, Independent Spirit Awards event producers Sean Davis and Danielle Frederico, LA Food & Wine event producers Brett Friedman and Maribell Chaluja, and Quigley & Miron auditors Chris Miron and Timothy Kim.

v. Santa Monica Pier Lessees Association

Lessees Association rep. Nathan Smithson reminded everyone about the upcoming Police & Fire Training Thursday, October 12th from 6:00am - 12:00pm.

vi. Landmarks Commission

Landmarks Commission rep. Roger Genser informed the SMPC Board that the City Attorney has advised the Landmarks Commission to not yet comment on the status of the SMP Yacht Harbor neon sign and its accessibility to the public during the construction of the Pier Bridge until it is presented to them with all the facts in order.

Lastly they discussed the possibility of a 150 year anniversary celebration for the Pier in 2025.

2. Consent Calendar:

a. Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2023 Santa Monica Pier Corporation Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes by Board Member Parent.

Seconded by Board Member Parent.

The minutes were unanimously approved by the Board.

3. Study Session – None

4. Continued Items – None

5. Staff Administrative Items

a. Presentation, Review and Approval of FY 2021-2022 Annual Audit

The FY 2021-2022 Annual Audit was presented to the SMPC Board by auditors Timothy Kim and Chris Miron of Quigley and Miron.

The board reviewed the Audit.

Motion to approve the Audit by Board Member Kerns.

Seconded by Board Member Jarow.

The FY 2021-2022 Annual Audit was unanimously approved.

6. Public Hearing



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
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Thursday, June 22, 2023

6:30 PM

Call to Order

Board Chair Rolston called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Roll Call

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Recording Secretary:
Board Members Randi Parent, Dan Hall, Jeff Jarow, and Nicholas Rolston.

Absent: Christopher Foster, Misti Kerns, and Carter Rubin.

Also present: Santa Monica Pier Corporation Executive Director Jim Harris, Heal The Bay Aquarium Director Marslaidh Ryan, Landmarks Commission rep. Roger Genser, and Harbor Safety Officer Christopher Camp.

1. Special Agenda Items

a. Reports of Staff Members

i. SMPC Staff and Programming Update

Executive Director Jim Harris reported that at the June 13th SM City Council Meeting the City Council unanimously approved the proposed Fiscal Year 2023/2024 budget and work plan.

He then updated the Board about his June 13th meeting on the Pier with Fire Chief Alvarez, Police Chief Batista, Police Lieutenant Leyna, and Board Chair

The Board requested an update on the status of where the Pier Sign will go during the Pier Bridge construction.

2. Consent Calendar:

- a. Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2023 Santa Monica Pier Corporation Board Meeting

Board Chair Rolston makes a motion to approve minutes at the next board meeting so they can be edited for grammatical errors. Seconded by Randi Parent. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Study Session – None

4. Continued Items - None

5. Staff Administrative Items - None

6. Public Hearing – None

7. Resolutions - None

8. Written Communication - None

9. Santa Monica Pier Corporation Member Discussion Items - None

10. Public Input: - None

Chair Rolston adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 7:21 PM.

11. Closed Session

- a. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
Title: Executive Director Position

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 8:31 PM and reported that they met with Executive Director Harris for the first part of his annual performance review.

Adjournment

Chair Rolston adjourned the meeting at 8:31 PM