

HARBOR AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025 REGULAR MEETING
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SAN PEDRO, CA 90731

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The Harbor Area Planning Commission meeting of August 19, 2025 was conducted in person in the San Pedro Regional Branch Library and via Zoom webinar in a hybrid meeting format.

Commission Vice President Mona Sutton called the regular meeting to order at 4:37 p.m. with Commissioners John Bagakis, Joe Gatlin and Amber Sheikh in attendance.

Commission President Esther Hatch was not in attendance.

Also in attendance were Parrish Knox, Deputy City Attorney, Marie Cobian, Senior City Planner, and Commission Office staff participation included Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant II, Marcos Godoy, Administrative Clerk, and Nathan Gallardo, Office Services Assistant.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Election of Officers
Commissioner Sheikh nominated Mona Sutton for Commission President. Commissioner Gatlin seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Sheikh
Second: Gatlin
Ayes: Bagakis, Sutton
Absent: Hatch

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Sheikh nominated John Bagakis for Commission Vice President. Commission President Sutton seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Sheikh
Second: Sutton
Ayes: Bagakis, Gatlin
Absent: Hatch

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

- Adoption of updated Rules and Operating Procedures:
Commissioner Bagakis moved to adopt the updated Rules and Operating Procedures, with the Technical Modification. Commissioner Sheikh seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Bagakis
Second: Sheikh
Ayes: Gatlin, Sutton
Absent: Hatch

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

- Marie Cobian, Senior City Planner gave a report on behalf of Director of Planning, Vince P. Bertoni.
- Parrish Knox, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- Commission Requests:
 - Commission Vice President Sutton announced a planned absence for September 16, 2025 and October 17, 2025. Commissioner Bagakis announced a planned absence for September 16, 2025.
- There were no Meeting Minutes to adopt.

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

There being no further business before the Commission, Vice President Sutton adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m.



Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant II
Harbor Area Planning Commission

for 
Mona Sutton, Vice President
Harbor Area Planning Commission

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