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**CITY OF PORT HUENEME AND OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT  
CITY/PORT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF PORT HUENEME  
AND THE OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT  
(MAYOR PEREZ AND MAYOR PRO TEM MCQUEEN-LEGOHN)  
(PRESIDENT HERRERA AND VICE PRESIDENT ZACARIAS)**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024  
AT 3:32 PM**

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**ATTENDEES:**

**City of Port Hueneme**

Mayor Misty Perez, Mayor Pro Tem McQueen-Legohn, City Manager James Vega

**Port of Hueneme/Oxnard Harbor District**

President Celina L. Zacarias, Commissioner Jess J. Herrera, CEO & Port Director Kristin Decas, CFO/CAO Austin Yang, Public, Labor & Community Relations Senior Representative Miguel Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board Michelle Kinnun

**Guests**

Randall Thomas Anacapa Condos, Mike McElvaney Anacapa Beach Homes, Jan Berk, Citizens Advisory Commission Port Hueneme & San Miguel Produce, Travers Newton Bard

**THE FOLLOWING ARE ITEMS OF BUSINESS DISCUSSED AT THE CITY OF  
PORT HUENEME AND OXNARD HARBOR DISTRICT JOINT CITY/PORT MEETING**

**A. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**B. DISCUSSION:**

**1) Approval of the minutes of October 3, 2023 of the City-Port Committee Meetings**

A motion was made by Mayor Perez, seconded by Commissioner Herrera, and passed unanimously, to approve the October 3, 2023, City-Port Committee Meeting Minutes.

**2) Monument Placement Discussion**

Mr. Miguel Rodriguez provided a presentation and discussed the history and proposed locations of the statue, leading to a lengthy discussion on its placement.

Commissioner Herrera was passionate about placing the statue at the flag location and noted the history of the Richard Bard family to the City.

Mayor Pro Tem McQueen-Legohn emphasized the importance of cooperation between the City and the Port. She also stressed the need for public engagement to gather opinions on where statues and



monuments should be placed. To address this issue, she recommended sending out a survey to community members to gather their input.

During a recent meeting, City Manager Vega addressed the City's recollection of discussions regarding statues and proposed monuments. The first approval was given for the statue itself, but the second discussion was about its location, with no specific location being set. The City Manager emphasized the importance of gathering community input and suggested that the process should involve a City Council meeting with a presentation by the Port on the statue and its proposed location. This should be followed by a period for public comments and feedback, in order to ensure that the local community's views are taken into account.

President Zacarias acknowledged the Port's willingness to collaborate and suggested that a city meeting should be scheduled to discuss the placement of the statue. It was also decided that the discussion on the other monuments would be held separately at a meeting of the Committee.

Ms. Jan Berk, a resident of Port Hueneme, is in favor of the idea of a statue honoring the Bard family and the City. However, she is concerned about the proposed location of the statue. Ms. Berk believes that placing anything at the beach locations may interfere with the pristine beaches where the public loves to walk and relax.

The Committee suggested that a survey, jointly prepared by the City and the Port, should be circulated among community members at least two weeks prior to a City Council meeting for further discussion. The survey will be sent through mail and also shared on social media for wider distribution.

**3) Community Benefit Fund**

CEO and Port Director Kristin Decas gave an overview of the Community Benefit Fund's history and explained how it was established.

**4) Other Community & Port Initiatives**

No items were discussed.


C. The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m. to the next call of the Committee.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Michelle Kinnun, Clerk of the Board

Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024:

  
Misty Perez, Mayor

  
Celina L. Zacarias, President