

April 5, 2022

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to approve a fee waiver for the Navy Yacht Club – Long Beach, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000, for use of dock space in Alamitos Bay Marina for Veteran honoring, racing and cruise celebrations, for the period of April 2022 through December 2022. (District 3)

DISCUSSION

The Navy Yacht Club – Long Beach (NYCLB) was established in 1967 as a nonprofit organization under the authority of the Long Beach Naval Station, with the aim of promoting sailing competition and safe boating practices, to serve the Long Beach Veteran community. More than half of NYCLB's 200 members are Veterans of various military organizations and over three quarters of their members are boat owners. Many NYCLB members are retirees, living on fixed incomes.

NYCLB celebrates and honors Veterans year-round through a variety of races and cruises (parades). These events draw participation from several Southern California yacht clubs. Several of these events are co-sponsored by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs Hospital in Long Beach. NYCLB has requested that dock fees, traditionally assessed to visiting vessels for the use of the 100-foot dock adjacent to NYCLB, be waived for events from April 2022 through December 2022. Events scheduled between April and December of 2022 include:

- May 7 - Armed Forces Day Race
- June 25 - Seal Beach Weapon Station Family Day
- July 3 - Big Bang on the Bay
- August 28 – Women Veteran Duffy Cruise
- September 7 - All Hands Race
- September 17 - Argosy Regatta with American Legion Newport Beach
- October 15 - Navy Day Regatta
- October 29 - Seal Beach Weapon Station Family Day
- December 17 - Naples Island Christmas Boat Parade

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NYCLB is currently adhering to all directives and guidelines regarding COVID-19. NYCLB will continue to cancel/postpone any and all scheduled club events in accordance with COVID-19 community response parameters. These sailing/boating events spotlight recreational boating and sailboat racing in our marinas. They also generate additional tourism revenue for local businesses such as hotels, restaurants, grocery stores, boating supply stores and other retail establishments. These events are consistent with the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department's partnering policy to support organizations that provide a service to the community and its residents by promoting the Long Beach Marinas.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Anita Lakhani on March 7, 2022 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on March 10, 2022.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 5, 2022, to reserve required dock space in Alamitos Bay Marina for the events

FISCAL IMPACT

The value of the fee waiver will not exceed \$5,000. Additional revenue specifically related to dock fees for these events is not anticipated as part of the current budget. Therefore, the fiscal impact associated with the fee waiver is minimal. The recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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CITY MANAGER