

# DVP BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

June 22, 2023, 8:30am in the Anacapa conference room  
on the first floor at Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach Hotel

**Call to Order.** Vice President Erik Feingold called the meeting to order at 8:37am.

DVP Directors present: Feingold, Hutton Becker, Kelsey Jonker, Emily DeArkland, Peter Goldenring (via Zoom), Brandon Ristaino, Yvonne Besvold, Danny Quintana, Councilman Doug Halter. Others: E.D. Kevin Clerici, Alex Reyes, Asst. Police Chief David Dickey and Police Sgt. Eric Vazquez.

**Approval of May Meeting Minutes.** Motion made by Hutton Becker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brandon Ristaino. Passed unanimously.

**Approval of May Financials.** ED Clerici shared May Forecast with actuals. Treasurer Besvold provided summary of May compilation. Audit results are expected in July. Motion to approve made by Kelsey Jonker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug Halter. Passed unanimously.

**Public Comments.** No public comments.

**Police report.** Chief Dickey shared recent police stats. Overall, things have been calm downtown with PTF at full staffing. Police support new traffic control measures for Strawberry Festival next year. Police to enforce new bike prohibition rules inside MSM footprint once the new ordinance is expected to take effect in late July. Council to adopt 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of ordinance on June 26 on consent.

**Board certified Election re-run results.** FCOP counted all ballots and provided results: Top vote-getters in property owner election were Erik Feingold and Peter Goldenring. Top vote-getter in business owner election was Brandon Ristaino. Each non-paid seat lasts 3 years. Motion by Kelsey Jonker, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hutton Becker. Passed unanimously.

**Board elected 2023 officers.** With re-run election completed, the Board re-selected the 2023 officers, including Erik Feingold as President, Kelsey Jonker as VP, Yvonne Besvold as Treasurer and Emily DeArkland as Secretary. Each position is for one year, ending in March 2024. Motions were taken for each post. Each passed unanimously. Board agreed to think about possible candidates to fill 2 current Board vacancies, rather than hold another special election so close to re-run election. Item to be on July Agenda.

**Board formed Committees.** Board settled on 2 new working committees, including Main Street Moves and Executive/Governance. Peter Goldenring agreed to chair MSM Committee, with Hutton Becker, Brandon Ristaino, Doug Halter and Danny Quintana participating. Others could join. Committee also will facilitate a working group focused on Promenade issues, including Harbor Blvd. garage and improved connectivity between beach and downtown. Feingold, in role as President, will chair Executive Committee. Monthly Finance Committee will remain with Treasurer Besvold and VP Kelsey Jonker on it.

**Position on Strawberry Festival.** Board provided direction to encourage a collaborative approach with Fairgrounds, Police/City, Festival board/staff, to ensure improved traffic control measures and alternatives are in place in 2024. Chief Dickey reassured Board conversations already occurring. Board stopped short of a formal position.

**Staff update.** ED Clerici provided brief comments. MSM draft design guidelines should be ready for staff review in late June/early July. Can be shared with newly formed Committee. Legal fees for re-run election were paid. City Council to adopt 2024 PBID Assessments at June 26 meeting. Council also to adopt new, expanded Park Ambassador contract at June 26 meeting. Current DVP staffing is strong. Annual July 4 Push Em Pull Em parade and street fair on Tuesday, July 4. X Games coming to downtown/Fairgrounds on July 20-23, including large downtown Skate Jam event on July 20.

**No City report.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:22am.

Minutes prepared by Kevin Clerici