HARBOR COMMISSION

AUTHORIZATION:

Established by Ordinance No. 2001-25, adopted on January 8, 2002. Amended by Ordinance No. 2013-14 adopted on September 10, 2013.

MEMBERSHIP:

Seven (7) members appointed by the City Council pursuant to Section 702 of the City Charter. In no event will individual appointments to the Harbor Commission exceed two (2) consecutive full terms, exclusive of appointments to fill unexpired terms.

TERM:

Each member shall serve a term of four (4) years and such terms shall be on a staggered basis, pursuant to Section 702 of the City Charter.

PURPOSE & RESPONSIBILITIES:

Newport Harbor supports numerous recreational and commercial activities, waterfront residential communities and scenic and biological resources. The purpose of the Harbor Commission is to provide the City of Newport Beach with an advisory body representing these diverse uses of Newport Harbor and its waterfront.

- A. Advise the City Council in all matters pertaining to the use, control, operation, promotion and regulation of all vessels and watercraft within Newport Harbor.
- B. Approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove applications on all harbor permits where the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code assigns the authority for the decision to the Harbor Commission.
- C. Serve as an appellate and reviewing body for decisions of the City Manager on harbor permits, leases, and other harbor-related administrative matters where the City of Newport Beach Municipal Code assigns such authority to the Harbor Commission.

- D. Advise the City Council on proposed harbor-related improvements.
- E. Advise the Planning Commission and City Council on land use and property development applications referred to the Harbor Commission by the City Council, Planning Commission, or the City Manager.
- F. Make recommendations to the City Council for the adoption of regulations and programs necessary for the ongoing implementation of the goals, objectives, policies of the Harbor and Bay Element of the General Plan, the Harbor Area Management Plan, and the Tidelands Capital Plan.
- G. Advise the City Council on the implementation of assigned parts of the Tidelands Capital Plan such as:
 - 1. Dredging priorities.
 - 2. In-bay beach sand replenishment priorities.
 - 3. Harbor amenities such as mooring support service areas and public docks.

STAFF: City Manager or designee.