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TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: MICHAEL KEEGAN, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE
SUBJECT: SURFERS WALK OF FAME

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We need to set up some criteria and procedure to install additional members to the Surfers Walk of Fame on our Pier.

Roger Bacon has done a fine job getting this project going and now we need to establish a permanent process to add persons to the walk.

I would like to put this item on the agenda and I think the following procedure, or one similar, should be adopted.

Each spring of every year, we should hold an event that invites the community and former recipients to join in inducting and dedicating new plaques to a maximum of 3 new members each year. A committee formed by the Parks and Recreation Commission would submit these three new members for approval. This committee would consist of two Parks and Recreation Commissioners and three Hermosa Beach residents, property owners, or Hermosa Business owners. These three citizen posts will be ongoing with no set term. I suggest we put Roger Bacon as one of the three citizens and let the commission, with staff assistance, select two additional members. This committee of 5 will vote with equal weight. The committee can set details of how the persons are nominated. We need to begin this process immediately so that it will be in place for the spring.

The committee can then set up a voting system. Then, each January, the 3 inductees will be announced and a date for the induction set out in the calendar.

I think this will only add to the prestige of the award, as it will not just be arbitrarily handed out.