Honorable Mayor and Members of the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of September 13, 2005

PIER PHASE III COMPLETION AND DEDICATION CEREMONY SELECTION OF A DATE FOR THE CEREMONY

Recommendation:

- 1. That the City Council select a date for the ceremony which could be either Saturday, November 5, 2005 or Saturday, November 12, 2005.
- 2. Approve the project dedication plaque as shown of the attached drawing, and direct staff to have it made.

Background:

The project will be completed and available for public use after October 15th. The last items to be completed include a pre-cast concrete base for the statue, two pre-cast concrete bollards that go on either side of the stairway, and various sections of hand railing that goes on the pier and the new stairway on the North side of the Pier. There is a section of curved hand railing for the northwest side of the new plaza area that will not be delivered until November, but it does not pose either a safety or architectural issue. It will be installed when it arrives.

The Pier plaza area will be opened as soon as it is safe and the City has accepted it which will probably be mid October. We will accept the restrooms as being complete prior to Labor Day which will allow their use from then on. The plaza portion of the project will be open to the pier as soon as the work is done and accepted. The remaining work on the plaza is mainly the installation of the City Seal. This is scheduled to be completed by the end of September. The construction trailer and clean up of the area by the middle of October. The statue will be completed by the end of October. One more concrete pour remains on the lifeguard area and this will be done as soon as the scaffolding is removed from the building. The lifeguards are tentatively scheduled to begin their move-in on September 15th and to be completed by October 15th. It does seem that the contractor will be done and off the site after October 15th.

The next issue is the setting of a date for the dedication ceremony involves a couple of items that require the City Council to decide. The first is the date. The Schumacher's are not available from October 22 through October 30th. Based on the above, the ceremony can be held on either Saturday, November 5th or Saturday, November 12th. I have also been informed that the Sister City Trip to Loreto is also November 12th. The Schumachers would prefer the date of November 12th. Once a date is selected, staff will be able to send out invitations.

The second issue is the dedication plaque. The plaque will list the current City Council and Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem as of November 8, 2005, the date of the next rotation. A mock-up of the plaque is attached for your review and approval.

Once the date is selected staff will develop the ceremony and send out invitations. The ceremony will include the dedication of Schumacher Plaza and the unveiling of the Kelly statue.

Respectfully submitted,

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