Honorable Mayor and Members of the Hermosa Beach City Council Regular Meeting of August 14, 2007

# REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH USING THE 2<sup>ND</sup> STORY THEATRE IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER

## Recommendation:

That the City Council deny the request to waive the "House Manager" fee for future productions of 'The Hermosa Arts Foundation' in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Story Theatre.

# **Background:**

I have attached a request from Angelo Michael Masino for the City Council to waive the costs associated with the "House Manager" for future productions of 'The Hermosa Arts Foundation' in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Story Theatre. The cost of a "House Manager" is \$10.00 per hour and they have booked 125 hours in the theatre so the overall cost would be \$1,250 if all hours were used.

The fee waivers are a policy issue. The purpose of having fees at all is to reimburse the City for the cost it expends for some particular purpose. When we do not collect a fee or do not have one at all this means the activity is being support by the general revenues of the City. During the budget session, staff mentioned that one of the work plan items to review and report back on were waivers, subsidies or lack of fees on programs or services provided by the City.

It might be a good idea to set up a group that can raise funds for these productions. This is often done to help new companies or to stage a show that may not be able to generate a large audience. This way the City is reimbursed for the operating costs and the production has a chance to be shown.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Burrell City Manager From: Dante Pagulayan

Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 9:01 AM

To: Steve Burrell

Subject: RE: Agenda\City Council Meeting

Angelo will be using HAF hours for the use of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Story Theatre, which is a saving of \$2500 to him.

He is requesting 125 hours in the theatre.

## **House Manager Costs**

125 hours x \$10 = \$1250

It will cost \$1250 out of the department staff budget.

From: Steve Burrell

Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 8:48 AM

To: Dante Pagulayan

Subject: FW: Agenda\City Council Meeting

Please take a look at this and let me know how much this will cost if the City Council grants the

request. Steve

From: angelvisionp@aol.com [mailto:angelvisionp@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2007 5:42 AM

To: Steve Burrell

Subject: Agenda\City Council Meeting

#### Steve

As per our conversation before the City Council Meeting yesterday (7\24\07), I am sending you this e-mail. Please put me on the agenda for the next City Council Meeting to discuss the waiver of the house manager requirement (\$10 per hr. non-profit) for future productions of 'The Hermosa Arts Foundation' at 'The 2nd Story Theatre'. If there is any information you need before hand I will be happy to supply you with it. Please e-mail me back to confirm being placed on the agenda and the date of the next meeting. Thank You. Best Regards

Angelo Michael Masino