

**Visit Huntington Beach
Advocacy Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

VHB Office

155 Fifth Street Suite 111

Huntington Beach, CA 92648

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VHB Mission: To position Surf City USA® as the preferred California beach destination in order to maximize **overnight visitor** spending, **destination development** and **quality of life** for all residents.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Antitrust Reminder (see reverse) at 4:07 pm

II. Roll Call:

VHB Board of Directors in Attendance:

Debbie Killey, Republic Services

VHB Board of Directors Not in Attendance:

Janis Mantini

Jeff Holson, Holson Properties LLC

Jennifer Williams, Pacific City

John Villa, HB Wetlands

Representatives:

Zechariah Jauregui, Office of Senator Tony Strickland

Hunter Griffiths, Office of Assemblywoman Diane Dixon

VHB Staff:

Clara Tsang

John Urdi

Nicole Llido

City of Huntington Beach:

Chris Kennedy

Shannon Levin

III. Announcement of Late Communications - None

IV. Public Comments – Chairperson (limited to 3 minutes/person): None

VHB welcomes public comments on all items on this agenda or of community interest. We respectfully request that this public forum be utilized in a positive and constructive manner. Please focus your comments on the issue or concern that you would like to bring to the attention of the Executive Committee

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Wednesday, January 14, 2025

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V. Approval of Minutes - November 12, 2025

- a. Tabled to next meeting.

VI. 2026 Legislative Priorities Discussion and Reports from Representatives and City of HB

- a. Zechariah Jauregui, Office of Senator Tony Strickland - Office is working a number of bills covering topics from local control to public safety, including SB 979 - judicial review for housing mandates, SB 885 - accountability for local agencies, SB 1035 - gas tax relief act, SB 926 - public safety funding, and SB 985 - fix 911 act.
- b. Hunter Griffiths, Office of Assemblywoman Diane Dixon - Office has 18 bills in the works, including AB 1541 - human trafficking, AB 1614 - prohibit e-bikes at schools, AB 1541 - state bar use of AI, AB 1749 - prohibit drones during wildfires, AB 1879 - sober living success reporting, AB 1992 - PAGA reform for non-profits, AB 2284 - e-bike catalogue of faulty parts
- c. Shannon Levin, City of HB - 2026 HB Legislative Platform includes local control & governance, housing mandates, sober living homes, public safety, and fiscal responsibility. City is sponsoring SB 979. Program focus includes Minute with the Mayor, e-bike public safety, America 250, and 4th of July.
- d. Chris Kennedy, City of HB - Office of Economic Development is launching a small business grant program. Local small businesses can apply for one of 15 grants of \$1,000 each for social media and marketing expenditures. It includes marketing education from the Small Business Development Center. Grants will be awarded on a lottery basis. Applications open 4/13/26, with two weeks to apply.

VII. Adjournment at 4:47 pm

Upcoming Advocacy Committee Meetings

- Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at 4 pm