

From: [Tammy Taunt](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#); [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] 03 03 2025 Agenda Item 6a #26
Date: Friday, February 28, 2025 3:40:24 PM

Dear Erica and Michaela,

I would like to respectfully request that **Item 6a #26** be moved to the **TOP PRIORITY** list for the San Diego LAFCO 2025/2026 Workplan.

After an extensive investigation and MSR review performed by LAFCO during your 2024/2025 Workplan on the Oceanside region with part of the focus being the Oceanside Small Craft Harbor District (OSCHD), you know and understand the dior situation Oceanside Harbor is currently in and has been in for a decade or more.

The City of Oceanside continues to abuse one of their biggest responsibilities as a landlord over the OSCHD. Instead of fixing docks, ramps and other infrastructure items that have been rated by an engineering firm as catastrophic and dangerous, the City has decided that frivolous projects such as adding solar and charging the OSCHD over \$200K is more important than the safety of humans, animals and vessels that inhabit OSCHD. The City consistently does a poor job prioritizing maintenance that is critical and instead they spend stakeholder money on items and projects that are low priorities, if even a priority at all to those who use OSCHD, and frivolous.

The City also consistently takes stakeholder money *as their own* by depositing all proceeds into the City of Oceanside's General Fund where it disappears and is not accounted for, instead of doing what is mandated as an Enterprise Fund and depositing all proceeds into a specific fund just for OSCHD. The City has become accustomed to using OSCHD as their golden piggy bank.

In recent years, the safety of the stakeholders, boaters, commercial harbor operators, residents and tourists has come under attack. During the summer of 2024 several violent and scary incidents happened over a month's time. The City is extremely lucky that the people involved and bystanders were not critically or fatally wounded. Luck will run out some day and I don't want OSCHD to be under prepared as we are right now as a result of the City's poor management. Due to the fact that my boat is in very close proximity to the public launch ramp, I have seen many incidents and antics at this location. I have witnessed on at least three occasions when inexperienced members of the public caused accidents and nearly died while trying to launch a vessel. NO ONE showed up to help in any of these incidents because one of the extremely poor and possibly not even legal decisions the City made in 2009 was to dismantle the Harbor Patrol that kept OSCHD both on land and water safe. I really do not want to witness a death that could have been prevented by the proper management of OSCHD.

A Special Study conducted by LAFCO revealing the issues and weaknesses that have plagued OSCHD for many, many years is desperately needed before something catastrophic happens in the OSCHD and it needs to happen ASAP. Please, please, please do not make us wait yet another year or more to start protecting our precious Oceanside Harbor. I am truly frightened our luck is going to run out before these major and scary issues get fixed. The first step in fixing OSCHD is the Special Study that needs to be conducted by LAFCO San Diego. Again, I would like to respectfully request that **Item 6a #26** be moved to the **TOP PRIORITY** list for the San Diego

LAFCO 2025/2026 Workplan.

Best Regards,

Tammy Taunt

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From: [Jessi Nieto](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#); michaela.peters@sdcountry.ca.gov
Subject: [External] AGENDA ITEM 6A #26 PLEASE PRIORITIZE HARBOR NEEDS
Date: Saturday, March 1, 2025 10:50:44 AM

as a long time oside harbor patron, currently own my 2nd boat docked there, i know we seriously need to have the management agenda looked into by professionals that can maximize the money we pay into the harbor... and keep the money that we pay in the harbor.

please prioritize the needs of our beautiful harbor. thank you for your strong consideration.

-jess

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [kathy.macleod](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Cc: [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] ITEM 6A #26: SPECIAL STUDY/OCEANSIDE SCHD
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 11:25:59 AM

Dear Ms. Sellen and Peters:

I would like to express my concern regarding the fact that the SCHD special study is a low priority. I strongly urge you and your colleagues to move it up to a Top Priority on the 2025/2026 work plan. It is imperative for this study to be done as soon as possible so that Oceanside Harbor can get improved safety, security, control over fees and a better maintained infrastructure.

I have been coming to Oceanside Harbor for over 10 years. I now have a granddaughter with whom I hope I to share my love for the Harbor. Please help us improve the harbor for the years to come.

Respectfully,
Kathy MacLeod

From: [Bryce Raleigh](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#); [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] Oceanside Harbor
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 11:41:15 AM

We need your help to keep Oceanside Harbor safe and a viable area for decades to come.

We agree with the LAFCO findings and strongly feel the SCHED special study needs to be moved to a top priority on the 2025, 2026 workplan.

SCHED safety, security and infrastructure is in need of improvement now and waiting a year for help would put the public at further risk.

Sincerely,

Bryce Raleigh
Cell: [760-846-5001](tel:760-846-5001)

From: [Richard Farley](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#); [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] Oceanside Harbor
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 12:08:42 PM

Hello

I've lived in Oceanside since 1953 originally from Los Angeles and have seen a lot of changes thru

the years. I watched the harbor being built. Over the last couple of years, the harbor has suffered and is not a safe place to go at night. I know a young man, that was attacked, a gun drawn on him, hit in head with a baseball bat. He was in the hospital for a week, out of work for a month and still has not fully recovered. I believe that pulling out the police and lack of patrols, have contributed to the situation. I have heard after several attacks that patrols have increased and

security cameras are being installed at the expense of the harbor district, which I don't understand

why the harbor district is being charge. It is not the slip renters or the business owners causing the

problems. It is all the people {campers, visitors, gang members, surfers} that the cameras will help

keep a watch on. If the city had a problem in other areas of the city and had to install cameras, I'm

sure that the city is not going to go and knock on the doors and asked the residents for X amount

money to cover the cost. Harbor is part the city and the city should cover the cost.

I Believe that all revenue collected from slip renters and the business owners should be in an account for only harbor expenses and not put in any general fund that could be used outside of the harbor.

I have a slip in the harbor and having better control over revenue, could help on slip fee increases.

Probably opening the books and being transparent, would be a step in the right direction.

Thanks Richard

From: [Robert and Dawn Smith](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] Move Oceanside SCHD Special Study to Top Priority
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 12:37:43 PM

Hi Erica,

We are slip renters in Oceanside Harbor, and we wanted to express our support for moving the SCHD Special Study up to a Top Priority on the 2025/2026 LAFCO Workplan. Our Harbor's safety, security and infrastructure are in need of improvements now, before some tragedy occurs.

We hope you will approve this action in your March 3, 2025 meeting.

Regards,
Robert and Dawn Smith
Slip Z-39

From: [Joe Phares](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] We need to return our harbor to an Independent Small Craft Harbor as originally intended.
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 2:49:02 PM

I join all the Oceanside Harbor slip renters to urge that Item 6A#236 be moved-up to High Priority on the draft work plan & budget FY25/26.

We drastically need LAGCO's help to right the wrongs and stop the damage the city has and is causing to the Oceanside Small Craft Harbor since taking it over from its Independence.

Sincerely

Joe Phares
Slip H26 for 40 years (since 1985)
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From: [Jeffrey](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#); [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] Oceanside Harbor
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 3:08:02 PM

Recently, the term misappropriation of funds has gained prominence in the news. Now it has hit home. I am a Oceanside Native and been a slip renter (Z-07) in the Harbor since 2018. The condition of the harbor has really gone down hill. Now I found out the money from our monthly dues has been used for other items for the City of Oceanside. This is very concerning considering the recent report on the condition of the Harbor. Please make this study a Top Priority.
Concerned Slip Renter, Jeff Farley

From: [Stephen J. Patterson](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] Item 6A #26: Special Study/Oceanside SCHED (Small Craft Harbor District)
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 4:12:27 PM

LAFCO Workplan 2025/2026-Top Priority-Oceanside Harbor Management Inconsistencies..RE:
Improved Safety,Control Over Fees, Improved Security, and a Well Maintained Infrastructure.
Correct the wrongs that have happened over the last 25 yrs.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Patterson

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Slip # H-40

Oceanside, Ca. Harbor Marina

From: [Bryan Wells](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] Oceanside Harbor LAFCO
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 4:56:10 PM

Ms. Sellen,

I agree with the LAFCO report for Oceanside Harbor. Please place item 6A in the 'Top Priority' Level.

Thank you,

Bryan Wells
Fleet Captain - Oceanside Yacht Club
Owner / Operator - Wind + Water Sailing Charters

From: [Kelley Lupu](#)
To: [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] Oside Harbor
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 8:49:34 AM

Please let us save and improve our Harbor. It is our Priority and we agree with LAFCO findings and want to be put in a high priority position.

Thanks,

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From: occupationsafety@att.net
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] FW: Lafco Item # 6a Oceanside Small harbor district LAFCO
Date: Sunday, March 2, 2025 8:06:43 PM

From: Les George <pacificcoastsail@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 2, 2025 8:03 PM
To: Liz <occupationsafety@att.net>
Subject: Lafco Item # 6a Oceanside Small harbor district LAFCO

Thank you LAFCO for looking into the very Important issues facing Oceanside Small craft harbor district. (OSCHD)

My Name is Les George. I have lived in the city of Oceanside for over 30 years and have had the honor of being a slip in the Oceanside harbor since 1980 = 45 years, and a business owner for over 25 year in the OSCHD. During this time I have watched the harbor slowly degrade due to the mismanagement of Harbor district funds, which were poorly managed by the Harbor board/Oceanside city council. The Harbor now has a Harbor director who answers to the Director of Public Works for the City Of Oceanside managing harbor district funds?

The slip renters/stakeholders of OSCHD's ONLY representative to their monthly fees is a Mayor appointed advisory committee in which I have Been a member of for over 20 years. If you as a member do not like what the district's funds are used for you really have nothing except in an advisory capacity to SUGGEST what OSCHD funds are used for. The Harbor/Council must wear two hats in which they must act on what their elected constituents want, not what is best for the OSCHD.

Over the years the harbor has gotten older and has become in great need of repairs to many areas of the district's assets. Including the repair and replacement of Slips and major repair of the harbor assets. This past year we were told as an advisory committee member that the harbor was in great need of major repairs? When asked how much the Harbor district had set aside for these repairs? The answer was Nothing? that the plan was to go back to the slip renters/stakeholders and increase fees to cover the poor management of the OSCHD.

We strongly need LAFCO to please move our beautiful harbor up on the priority list which is now #20 on the priority list to the top of the list, in which we can move forward to being self managed by a harbor board that does not have to answer to the City Of Oceanside Council.

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From: [Carleen Southard](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#); [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] Oceanside Harbor and Item 6a #26
Date: Monday, March 3, 2025 5:43:39 AM

Dear Erica and Michaela,

We have been slip renters in the Harbor for over 20 years. As you are aware, the governance of the funds has changed and the current setup is under study.

The members of our Harbor and Beaches Advisory Committee have been working hard to make changes and have been running into red tape.

I would like to respectfully request that Item 6a #26 be moved up to the TOP PRIORITY list for the San Diego LAFCO 2025/2026 Work Plan.

Sincerely,
Carleen Southard

From: district28usps@gmail.com
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] Subject: Request to Prioritize Oceanside Small Craft Harbor (6A #26) in the FY 2025/26 Draft Workplan & Budget
Date: Monday, March 3, 2025 7:20:06 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
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[image005.png](#)

Shawn Goit
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San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear LAFCO Board Members,

I am writing to express my strong support for prioritizing **Oceanside Small Craft Harbor (6A #26)** in the **San Diego LAFCO FY 2025/26 Draft Workplan & Budget**. I respectfully urge you to **elevate this issue to High Priority** in recognition of the **longstanding challenges and mismanagement** that have impacted our harbor for over 25 years.

The findings from the LAFCO **Municipal Service Review (approved November 4, 2024)** have confirmed the need for action. It is critical that Oceanside Small Craft Harbor receives the attention and oversight necessary to ensure its proper governance, maintenance, and development. As a vital economic and recreational resource for our community, the harbor deserves **fair and responsible management** to serve boaters, businesses, residents, and visitors alike.

Key Reasons for Prioritization:

- **Addressing Decades of Neglect** – Past mismanagement has hindered the harbor’s growth and potential. LAFCO’s support is essential to correcting these issues.
- **Ensuring Proper Oversight** – The harbor plays a crucial role in local commerce, tourism, and safety, requiring efficient governance and transparency.
- **Supporting Economic & Community Interests** – The harbor is not just a local asset but a regional one, impacting businesses, recreational boaters, and the larger coastal economy.

I appreciate the Commission’s commitment to responsible planning and governance and ask that you take **immediate action to prioritize Oceanside Small Craft Harbor (6A #26)** in your upcoming workplan. Please consider the voices of our community, who will be reaching out during the **March 3, 2025, Commission Meeting** via phone, email, and in person to advocate for this cause.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your support in ensuring a better future for Oceanside Small Craft Harbor.

Sincerely,



P/R/C Shawn Goit JN-ON

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From: jg.goit@gmail.com
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] Request to Prioritize Oceanside Small Craft Harbor (6A #26) in the FY 2025/26 Draft Workplan & Budget
Date: Monday, March 3, 2025 7:30:03 AM

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1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302
San Diego, CA 92101

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Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your support in ensuring a better future for Oceanside Small Craft Harbor.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Alcantara

From: [D.Goit](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Subject: [External] I Support Oceanside
Date: Monday, March 3, 2025 8:06:30 AM

Dear LAFCO Board Members,

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Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your support in ensuring a better future for Oceanside Small Craft Harbor.

Sincerely,

Debra Goit

From: [Diane Whitfield](#)
To: [Sellen, Erica A](#)
Cc: [Peters, Michaela A](#)
Subject: [External] Fix our Harbor
Date: Monday, March 3, 2025 8:07:12 AM

Dear [Recipient Name],

I am writing to urge the prioritization of crucial repairs and improvements to the Oceanside Harbor. The recent findings from the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) and the significant data compiled in the SCHd study clearly demonstrate the urgent need for action. These reports highlight [mention 1-2 specific, impactful findings from LAFCO and SCHd, e.g., "critical structural deficiencies threatening harbor stability" or "a significant decline in water quality impacting local businesses and marine life"].

Delaying these necessary repairs will only exacerbate existing problems and potentially lead to more costly interventions in the future. Therefore, I strongly recommend that the revitalization of the Oceanside Harbor be elevated to a top priority within the 2025/2026 work plan. A detailed plan of action, including a proposed timeline and budget allocation, should be developed and implemented without delay.

I am confident that with swift and decisive action, we can ensure the long-term health, safety, and economic viability of the Oceanside Harbor for the benefit of our community. I am available to discuss this matter further at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Diane Whitfield

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)