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Formation of Seal Beach Historic Resources Foundation

SEAL BEACH, CA. – The City of Seal Beach City Council at its July 26, 2021 meeting approved the Articles of Incorporation and Initial Bylaws for the inception of the Seal Beach Historic Resources Foundation.

It is anticipated that the Foundation would own and maintain historic resources, such as the Blue House and Red Car, for Seal Beach, making them available for public viewing and educational programs. Private philanthropy would support the operations of the Foundation, although the City and other organizations could provide grant funds and “in-kind” services. This arrangement will benefit the City and its residents by creating an entity to own, insure, and maintain the historic resources, with a tax exempt status to help with fundraising.

Under the proposed Bylaws, the City Council will appoint the first five (5) members of the Board of Directors, with the Board appointing and re-appointing Directors thereafter. Board members will be required to be actively involved with administrative tasks, fundraising; and, the program and mission work of the foundation. To this end, effective strategic involvement and planning will be instrumental in laying the groundwork and fulfilling the purpose and goal of the foundation. Those interested must be 18 years old or older to be nominated or elected to serve as a Director. The Directors preferably should have experience with historic preservation, fundraising, non-profit management or education. Directors need not be residents of the city of Seal Beach. Directors may not be City of Seal Beach elected officials or City employees or individuals related by blood or marriage to another Director.

Those interested in serving as a Board Member for the Seal Beach Historic Resources Foundation can download the Board Member application by clicking on this link <https://www.sealbeachca.gov/Departments/City-Clerk/Forms> or request an application from the City Clerk at gharper@sealbeachca.gov. For any questions or additional information please contact the City Clerk at 562-431-2527 X1305. All applications must be received in the City Clerk's office by Friday, August 27, 2021. The City Council will review all applications for consideration for the first five (5) members of the Board of Directors at the September 13, 2021 City Council meeting.

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