RESOLUTION NO. 55-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PACIFICA AMENDING CITY ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY NO. 35 BY DELETING SECTION NO. 4 OF THE GENERAL STANDARDS, "HONEYBEES" AND FINDING THE AMENDMENT EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

WHEREAS, the City has regulated the keeping of Honeybees in Administrative Policy No. 35, General Standards, Section No. 4; and

WHEREAS, at the regular meeting of February 10, 2020 the City Council considered regulations relating to beekeeping wherein the City Council expressed the desire to make certain actions related to removing permit requirements for beekeeping; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to remove all regulatory requirements under Administrative Policy No. 35, General Standards, Section No. 4; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Pacifica did hold a duly noticed public hearing on August 24, 2020, at which time it considered all oral and documentary evidence presented related to this item, and incorporated all testimony and documents into the record by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pacifica does hereby find that the adoption of the changes proposed in this Resolution are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the adoption of this Resolution may have a significant effect on the environment. The City Clerk shall file a Notice of Exemption with the San Mateo County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Administrative Policy No. 35, "Standards for Keeping of Animals," General Standards, Section No. 4 shall hereby be amended as follows (with deletions in strikethrough and additions in underline):

Administrative Policy No. 35. – Standards for Keeping Animals

"GENERAL STANDARDS

. . .

4. Honeybees

- A. Honeybees may be kept in the City provide the minimum distance to any habitable structure, to any public thoroughfare, or to any public or private playground shall be not less than two hundred (200') feet. A distance variance may be granted when it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Building Official and the Animal Advisory Commission that the public safety will not be impaired by the granting of a variance.
- B. The maintenance of beehives and disease control methods shall be in conformance with latest State Department of agriculture directives.
- C. All property owners within two-hundred (200') feet shall be notified of the hearing regarding the permit application."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pacifica, California, held on the 24th day of August 2020.

AYES, Councilmember: Martin, Beckmeyer, Vaterlaus, O'Neill, Bier

NOES, Councilmember: N/A

ABSENT, Councilmember: N/A

ABSTAIN, Councilmember: N/A

Deirdre Martin (Sep 11, 2020 18:58 PDT)

Deirdre Martin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Coffey, City Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michelle Marchetta Kenyon, City Attorney

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