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CLUB MEETING AGENDA

June 16, 2016

Newport Beach Yacht Club

1099 Bayside Drive | Newport Beach

5:30: PLEASE NOTE: NETWORKING IS IN DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM

\$20/person at the door: Assorted Appetizers & Room Charge; Beverages will be available for purchase.

- Check-In, Name Tags, Program Materials
- Membership Information & Dues Payments
- Networking Opportunity

6:00: Call to Order & Welcome: President Rima Nashashibi

- Introduction of Guests and New Members

6:15: Speaker Program:

- **2016 Newport Beach City Politics: Process, Reforms & Candidates**
- **Councilmember Keith Curry (Biography on pg. 2)**

7:15: Business Meeting

- Motion to May Minutes & Financial Report
- Motion to Nominate Mikelle Fish as Assistant Treasurer
- Items for Consideration and Discussion
 - Primary Election Recap
 - NBWDC Political Action Committee
 - OC Fair Booth Volunteers in partnership with DPOC
 - NB City Council Candidate Questionnaire Update
 - Follow-up on Lapsed Members
 - Fundraising Discussion & Ideas

7:35: Announcements and Upcoming Events

- June 26: LA County Democratic Party's JFK Awards. Alexandra "Alex" Gallardo-Rooker will receive the inaugural "Eric Bradley Mentorship Award". Details on our website.
- July 16 @ 10:00 Mimosas with Ma: Fiona Ma, Chairwoman of the California Board of Equalization, Former Speaker Pro Tempore of the California State Assembly & Candidate for California State Treasurer in 2018. Details on our website.

8:00: Adjourn Club Meeting

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JUNE 16, 2016 SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY



Council Member Keith D. Curry was appointed to the City Council in 2006 and subsequently elected in 2006, 2008, and 2012. He also served as Mayor in 2010 and 2013.

As a member of the council, Mr. Curry initiated efforts to reform the city charter, to prevent the abuse of eminent domain, and to create a memorial to the U.S. Marines in Castaways Park. As Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Curry led efforts to undertake the Citizens Satisfaction Survey, the Citizens Technology Task Force, and a major performance measurement and benchmarking initiative. He has been a long-time advocate for public pension reforms. As a member of the Facilities Financing Committee, he helped develop an award-winning, multi-year plan to address all of the city's facilities needs without new taxes.

In 2010, in his first act as Mayor, Mr. Curry introduced the Fiscal Sustainability Plan to ensure the city lives within its means. He led the efforts to construct the Newport Coast Community Center and to renovate the OASIS Senior Center. He is an advocate for increased open space and park preservation and served as the Chairman of the Orange County Parks Commission. He is also a former President of the Association of California Cities Orange County and former President of the Orange County Division of the League of California Cities. Mr. Curry represents the City on the Orange County Sanitation District Board where he is Chairman of the Administration Committee.

In 2011, Mr. Curry was named Director of the Concordia University Center for Public Policy and Visiting Professor. Prior to his service at Concordia, Mr. Curry retired as a Managing Director of Public Financial Management after a 24-year career as a financial advisor to state and local governments. From 2004-2006, he served as President of the National Association of Independent Public Finance Advisors and testified before Congress on issues of financial reform and public agency protections.

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From 1982-1987, Mr. Curry served in the administration of President Ronald Reagan as Special Assistant to the Federal Transit Administrator and head of the agency's private sector initiatives efforts in the Western States.

Mr. Curry attended California State University, Long Beach where he received a master's degree in public administration, BA in Political Science and Certificate in Urban Studies. He has also completed executive programs in Driving Government Performance and Negotiation from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Mr. Curry lives in Harbor Ridge with his wife of more than 30 years, Pamela. Their daughter, Julia Capitelli, is a graduate of Corona del Mar High School, Concordia University and USC graduate school.

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