

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
3 OCEANSIDE CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL  
4 EMERGENCY IN RELATION TO THE OCEANSIDE HARBOR

5 WHEREAS, Oceanside City Ordinance No. 73-22 empowers the City Council to  
6 proclaim the existence or threatened existence of local emergency when the City of Oceanside  
7 ("City") is affected or likely to be affected by conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the  
8 safety of persons and property; and

9 WHEREAS, on November 18, 2025, because the City Council was not in session, the  
10 Director of Emergency Services for the City of Oceanside issued a Proclamation of Existence  
11 of Local Emergency related to uncommon and excessive sedimentation and shoaling in the  
12 navigation channels of the Oceanside Harbor, a copy of which is attached hereto and the  
13 findings of which are fully incorporated herein; and

14 WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 73-22, whenever the Director of Emergency  
15 Services proclaims the existence of a Local Emergency, the City Council shall take action to  
16 ratify the proclamation within seven (7) days or the proclamation shall have not further force or  
17 effect; and

18 WHEREAS, the Oceanside City Council called a special meeting at 4:30 p.m. on  
19 November 19, 2025, and formally ratified the Proclamation of Existence of Local Emergency  
20 by unanimous vote pursuant to Government Code §8630(b); and

21 WHEREAS, state law requires the City Council review the need for continuing the state  
22 of local emergency at least every sixty (60) days pursuant to Government Code §8630(c)(2)  
23 and that the City Council shall proclaim the termination of the local emergency at the earliest  
24 possible date that conditions warrant; and

25 WHEREAS, on December 17, 2025, the City Council reviewed the continuing need for  
26 the state of local emergency at a regularly noticed meeting and further extended the emergency  
27 by unanimous vote pursuant to Government Code §8630(c)(2); and  
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1 WHEREAS, the City Council has received the necessary information and update in  
2 order to again evaluate the continuing need for a local state of emergency; and

3 WHEREAS, the conditions of the federal navigation channel of the Oceanside Harbor  
4 continue to constitute a local emergency caused by weather and tidal patterns that resulted in  
5 uncommon excessive sedimentation and shoaling in the harbor entrance that create an increased  
6 and immediate risk of storm damage to the harbor's infrastructure and navigational hazards to  
7 recreational, commercial, and military vessels as again confirmed in a January 13, 2026 survey;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, emergency dredging of the Oceanside Harbor is within the legal authority  
10 and purview of the United States Army Corps of Engineers and other federal partners and has  
11 been formally requested by the City of Oceanside to protect persons and property from  
12 immediate risk and peril as a temporary and interim measure prior to the next scheduled annual  
13 dredging cycle.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does resolve as follows:

- 15 1. Conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property continue to exist  
16 within the City, and more specifically in the area of the Oceanside Harbor and  
17 Beaches, caused by excessive sedimentation and shoaling in the navigation channels;  
18 and
- 19 2. The sedimentation has the immediate potential to cause significant property damage  
20 throughout the Oceanside Harbor, including damage to both City and Federal  
21 facilities, damage to recreational, commercial, and military vessels, as well as  
22 limiting the ability of the City of Oceanside Marine Safety Unit to enter and exit the  
23 Oceanside Harbor for timely public safety responses in an emergency; and
- 24 3. The conditions of peril will continue to exist until such time as the navigation  
25 channels can be cleared and restored to an appropriate depth through dredging  
26 operations; and
- 27 4. The City is working with federal agency partners to coordinate an appropriate and  
28 timely response, but it will require resources beyond the control of the City; and

5. That during the existence of said emergency the powers, functions and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the City of Oceanside shall be those prescribed by state law, ordinances, and resolutions of the City and by the City of Oceanside Emergency Plan as approved by the City Council; and
6. That said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Oceanside, State of California or said emergency declaration is no longer effective under California law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oceanside, California,  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

**ATTEST:**

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**City Clerk**

City Attorney