

# RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY

## STAFF REPORT

For the meeting of: July 11, 2024

**To:** RBRA Board of Directors  
**From:** Brad Gross, Executive Director  
**Subject:** Ordinance Code; Revision

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Introduce ordinance amending Section 4.06.010 of the Richardson Bay Regional Agency Code to clarify the authority of the Harbormaster regarding the removal, impoundment, and disposition of vessels, watercraft, and other objects found to be in violation of the Code. Schedule further consideration for possible adoption on September 12, 2024.

Motion: Direct staff to open a public comment period until August 12, 2024; to return with the revised Richardson Bay Regional Agency Ordinance Code, as amended, and comments received for further discussion prior to adoption on September 12, 2024.

### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:**

The Richardson Bay Regional Agency (RBRA) adopted an Ordinance Code in 1987, and subsequently amended the Code four times, with the latest amendment occurring in 2022. Due to a need to clarify the authority of the Harbormaster to remove, impound, and dispose of vessels, watercraft, and other objects found to be in violation of the Code, as well as clarify the procedures the Harbormaster must follow in exercising their authority, staff has been working with outside counsel to review and amend the existing Code.

RBRA retains discretion as to whether and when to exercise these enumerated authorities in any particular case.

Included as Attachment 3 is a "Summary of Proposed Changes" to RBRA Code Section 4.06.010.

Staff will return to this Board on September 12, 2024 for final adoption of the Ordinance Code.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funds are available in the FY25 budget for outside counsel costs.

### Attachments:

Attachment 1: DRAFT Amended RBRA Code

Attachment 2: Existing RBRA Code

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Attachment 3: Summary of Proposed Changes

Attachment 4: Introduction of: Ordinance 24-01 to Adopt Revisions to the RBRA Code